

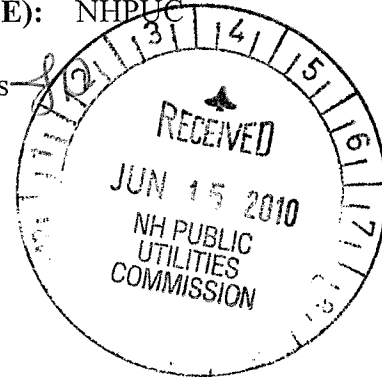
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## Inter-Department Communication

**DATE:** June 15, 2010  
**AT (OFFICE):** NHPUC

**FROM:** Jennifer Ducharme, Utility Analyst; Telecommunications  
**SUBJECT:** DT 10-165 FairPoint Communications - NNE  
Special Contract with Russound  
**TO:** Debra Howland, Executive Director  
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On June 8, 2010, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications - NNE (FairPoint) filed a special contract between FairPoint and Russound. Under the contract, FairPoint will provide Russound with ISDN-PRI service, including Port, Local Distribution Channel, and Caller ID without Name, for a period of 36 months. During the first 12 months of the contract, Russound is allowed, at any time, to order additional circuits. In support of the filing, FairPoint submitted records and information, including contract terms and conditions, which are subject to confidential treatment pursuant to RSA 378:43.

Staff has reviewed the cost study data submitted by FairPoint and confirmed that the contract rates exceed the price floor requirements as defined in Order Nos. 23,357 and 23,493 (Docket No. DT 99-018). Based on its analysis, Staff recommends that the special contract be allowed to go into effect pursuant to RSA 378:18-b, II(a).