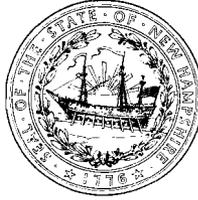


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December 28, 2010

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Re: DT 10-327, FairPoint Communications - NNE
Amendment to Special Contract with Grafton County for Centrex Service

Dear Ms. Rosenberger:

On December 10, 2010, FairPoint Communications - NNE (FairPoint) filed an amendment to an existing special contract with Grafton County. Under the amendment, FairPoint will include local usage in the line rate established under the existing contract. In support of the filing, FairPoint submitted records and information, including contract terms and conditions, for which it requested confidential treatment pursuant to RSA 378:43.

Staff has reviewed the documentation filed in support of the special contract and recommended that it be allowed to go into effect. According to Staff, the contract rate meets the price floor requirements of RSA 378:18-b, II.

For administrative efficiency, the Commission will not issue an order suspending, rejecting, or approving the proposed special contract. Accordingly, the proposed contract between FairPoint and Grafton County is effective on or after the date of this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

cc: Service List
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