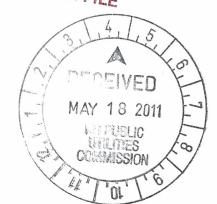


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May 18, 2011

Ms. Debra A. Howland Executive Director& Secretary New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street Concord, New Hampshire 03301

RE: Special Contract for Service with Sierra Nevada Corporation

Dear Ms. Howland:

In accordance with New Hampshire RSA §378:18(b), I have enclosed the original and three (3) copies of a special contract between FairPoint Communications, Inc. and Sierra Nevada Corporation for filing with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission. This filing also includes a cost analysis and billing details of the offering.

FairPoint Communications, Inc. represents that the materials marked "Confidential" pertain to the provision of competitive services; set forth trade secrets or other confidential information falling within the scope of RSA 91-A:5 and PUC Rule 201:4 (5); and are not general public knowledge or published elsewhere, FairPoint Communications, Inc. having taken measures to prevent dissemination of the information in the ordinary course of business.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter and its enclosures by signing or stamping and dating the receipt copy of this letter.

Sincerely,

Ryan P. Taylor