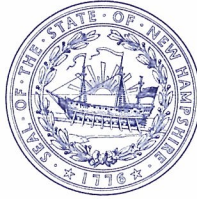


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August 5, 2011

Re: DT 11-151, Merrimack County Telephone Company
Petition for an Alternative Form of Regulation
Late Intervention

To The Parties:

On July 26, 2011, a petition for late intervention was filed in the above-captioned proceeding by New Hampshire Legal Assistance (NHCLA) on behalf of Daniel Bailey. No objections to the intervention request have been filed.

The Order of Notice entered in this docket established July 22, 2011 as the date for filing petitions to intervene. However, Daniel Bailey indicated in his petition a willingness to abide by the procedural schedule established for the docket. Therefore, the Commission has determined that no party will be prejudiced by the granting of Daniel Bailey's petition, which is consistent with the applicable standards for intervention. Accordingly, Daniel Bailey's petition is granted.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

cc: docket file