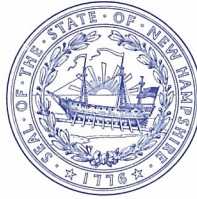


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September 22, 2008

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**Re: Docket No. DT 08-111, Fast Track Arbitration Request**

Dear Ms. Howland:

Staff respectfully requests an extension of time to file its report on arbitration in the above captioned docket. On September 10, 2008, Staff was informed by segTEL that FairPoint had indicated fiber was available on the requested routes. On September 18, segTEL notified staff that FairPoint and segTEL were unable to come to resolution on the request for fiber between **BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL [ ] END CONFIDENTIAL** and renewed its request for arbitration.

Staff will be reviewing FairPoint's records beginning on September 23. Due to the delay in commencing the process and a recent personnel emergency, Staff requests an extension of time for filing of the arbitrator's report until October 3.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kathryn M. Bailey".

Kathryn M. Bailey, P.E.  
Director, Telecommunications