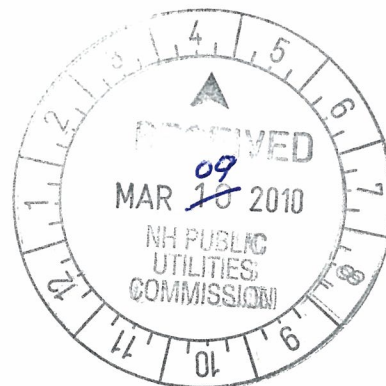




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21 South Fruit Street  
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**RE: DT 10-035 Special Contract for Service with Southern New Hampshire Medical Center- Withdrawal**

Dear Ms. Howland:

FairPoint Communications, Inc wishes to withdraw the original and seven (7) copies of a special contract between FairPoint Communications, Inc and Southern New Hampshire Medical Center that was filed with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission on February 17, 2010.

FairPoint reserves its right to argue that the proceedings requiring this report are stayed or should be stayed and to seek appropriate relief with the Bankruptcy Court.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kevin M. Shea".

**Kevin M. Shea**