STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

DATE:

August 13, 2010

AT (OFFICE): NHYUC

FROM:

Randy Knepper, Director, Safety

Kate Bailey, Director, Telecom & WB

SUBJECT:

Staff Recommendation in Docket No. DT 10-010

TO:

Commission

Executive Director

As follow-up to Staff's previous memos in this proceeding, Staff worked with BayRing, Comcast and Unitil to insure the existing Comcast attachment across the Merrimack River, in Concord, NH, becomes compliant with the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC) concurrently with the attachment proposed by BayRing in this docket. In order to satisfy all parties and bring its existing attachment into compliance, Comcast will raise its attachment on the north side of the Merrimack River on CECO pole 51 by approximately 6 feet. BayRing will overlash its attachment onto the Comcast facilities.

Unitil calculated the appropriate tensioning using the strand size, type, diameter and weight of each of the Comcast and BayRing cables and confirmed the proposed crossing would comply with the NESC. Staff notes Unitil's extraordinary assistance in this matter and points out that without Unitil's assistance, resolution of the issues raised would not have been achieved as expeditiously.

The following revisions are noted updates of Staff's previous memos and include details that are not included in the final, revised petition (see Attachments 1 and 2) but are necessary for a complete record.

- 1. FairPoint Communications was incorrectly identified in the first revised petition filed with the Commission on April 1, 2010, as attached to CE Pole 50 and CE Pole 51. The existing facility attached to the poles in question is an alarm cable operated by the City of Concord that transitions to under water from aerial at CE Pole 50, crosses the floor of the Merrimack River via conduit and transitions to aerial cable at CE Pole 51.
- 2. Comcast of Maine/New Hampshire, Inc. (Comcast) identified its existing aerial facilities as the following:
 - 96 F Fiber Optic (96 count) 0.56 inch diameter cable (weight 0.098#/ft)
 - 240F Fiber Optic (240 count) 0.76 inch diameter cable (weight 0.163#/ft)
 - 240 F Fiber Optic (240 count) 0.76inch diameter cable (weight 0.163#/ft)
 - Abandoned Coax Cable 0.75 inch diameter (weight 0.08#/ft)
 - 240 F Fiber Optic (240 count) 0.76 inch diameter cable(weight 0.163#/ft)

- 0.375 inch diameter galvanized steel stranded support wire (assumed high strength) (weight 0.273#/ft)
- 3. Comcast's facilities were originally installed between the years 1968 and 1972 by the former Telecable (cable franchise holder within the City of Concord).
- 4. Comcast has agreed to petition the PUC for a license covering the same crossing of the Merrimack River in Concord once its facilities are physically moved; the Comcast license petition will reference many of the drawings and record within this petition.
- 5. BayRing submitted Attachment 1 to Staff on July 29, 2010.
- 6. BayRing submitted a revised Attachment 2 to Staff on August 9, 2010.
- 7. Pole Loadings were recalculated assuming a conservative scenario in which the tensioning of the attached cables was transferred to the anchors and referenced guying. Staff found this to be adequate to satisfy potential concerns.
- 8. Staff reviewed Attachment 2 for compliance with all NESC requirements, including loading, clearances and materials and found Attachment 2 sufficient in detail to provide sufficient safeguards of potential hazards for the public.

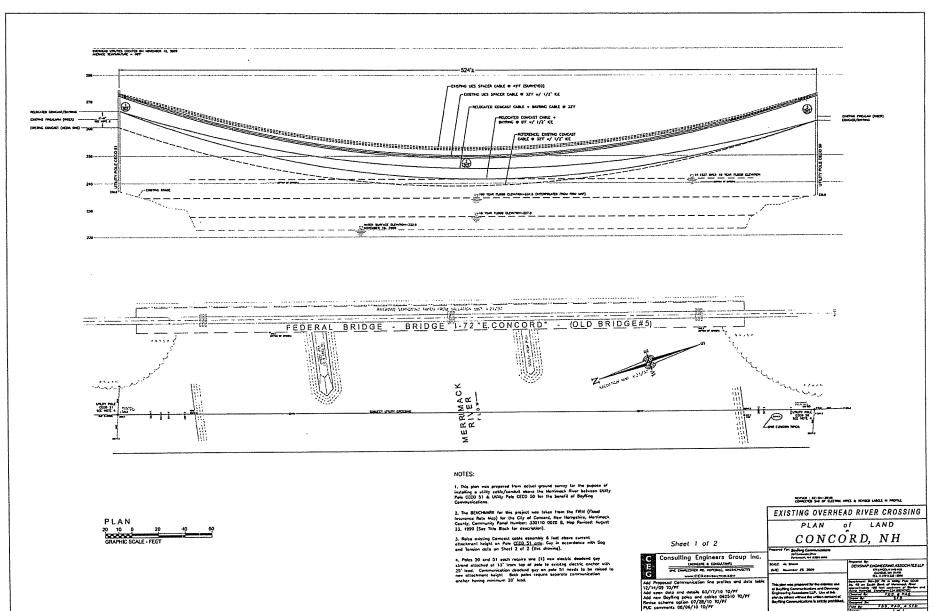
.Staff recommends this crossing be approved.

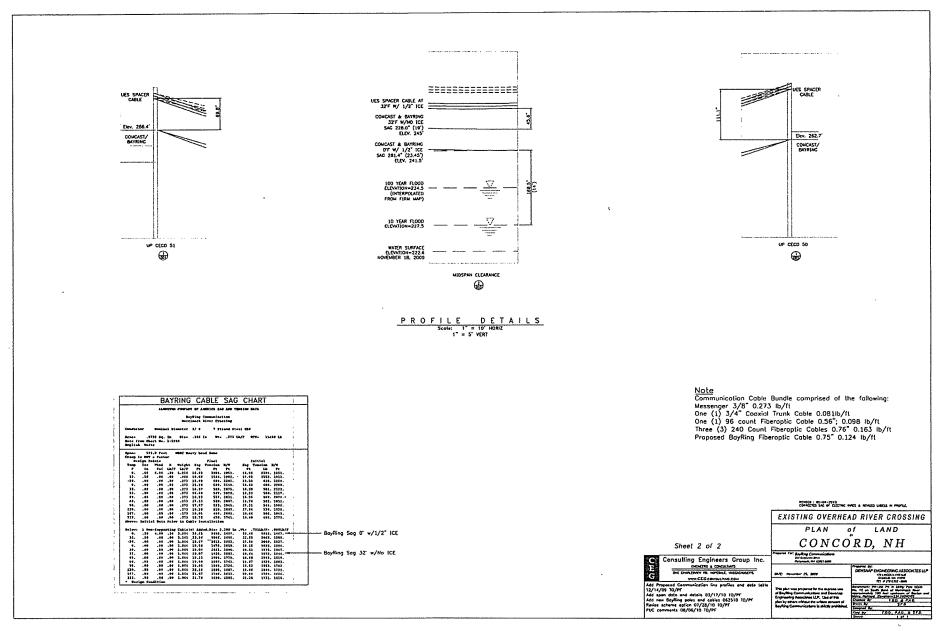
Attachments:

- Attachment 1 BayRing Final, Revised Petition Drawings (August 9, 2010)
- Attachment 2 BayRing Second, Revised Petition (July 29, 2010)

ATTACHMENT 1

Final Revised Petition Drawings (August 9, 2010)





ATTACHMENT 2

Second Revised Petition (July 29, 2010)



July 29, 2010

Debra Howland, Executive Director New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301-2429

Re: Revised Petition of Freedom Ring d/b/a BayRing Communications to construct and maintain utility cable over and across the Public Waters of the Merrimack River between Utility Pole CECO 51 and Utility Pole CECO 50, Concord, New Hampshire.

Dear Ms Howland:

Please find a final revised Petition of Freedom Ring Communications d/b/a/BayRing Communications to construct and maintain utility cable over and across the Public Waters of the Merrimack River between Utility Pole CECO 51 and Utility Pole CECO 50, Concord, New Hampshire.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or further requirements.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendy C. Wilusz Director of Operations BayRing Communications

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Donny Pellitier Outside Plant Manager Bayring Communication 359 Corporate Drive Portsmith NH, 03801-2888 July 29, 2010

Subject:

Revised, Merrimack River Crossing with Comcast/Bayring Cable

Dear Mr. Pellitier,

Attached are the revised Merrimack River crossing drawings and pole loading calculations. This revision utilizes existing poles with BayRing lashing on the existing Comcast cable. The attachment height of the combined cable is being raised six feet on pole 51. The pole loading calculations were performed using Power Line Technology, Pole Foreman software version 3.4.10.

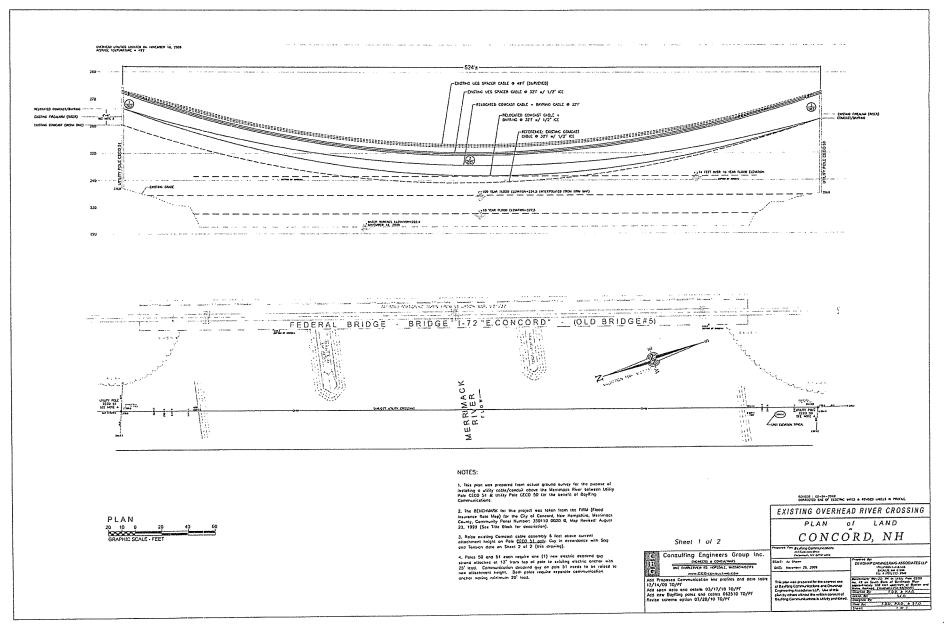
The revised crossing provides meets the clearances required by the National Electric Safety Code (NESC). Clearance at each of the structures and midspan clearances between the electric supply cables and communication meet or exceed the NESC requirements. Additionally, the combination Comcast/BayRing cable assembly maintains over 14 feet of clearance over the 10 year flood level under extreme loading conditions.

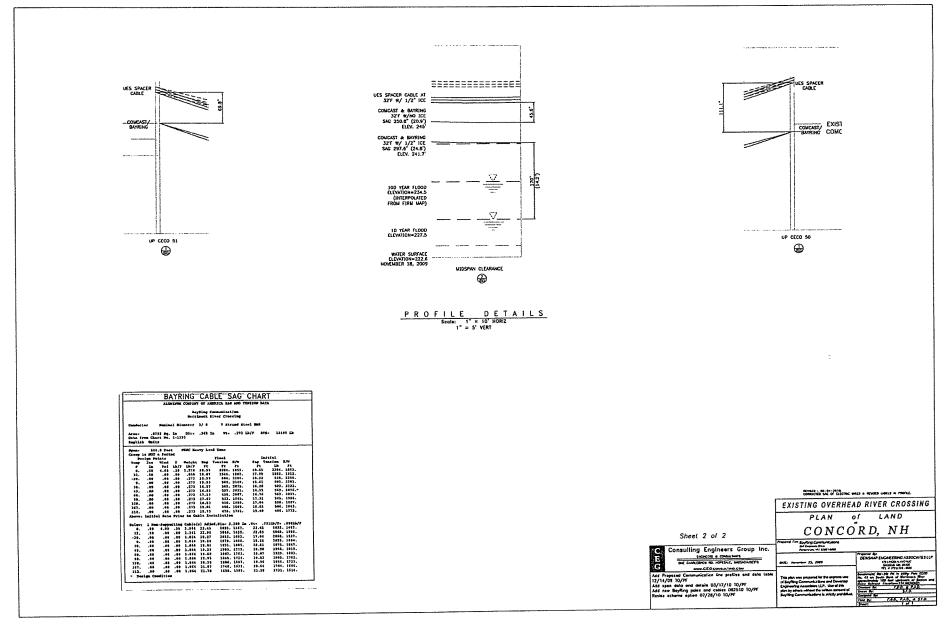
Pole loading models were created for both poles with only cable spanning the river (no back spans). The loading for both poles is within design limits. An additional electric deadend guy is required to support the river crossing for the modeled condition. Additionally, a separate communication anchor with a 20' lead is required for the modeled condition.

Should you have any questions, or require additional information, please do not hesitate to call me.

Thomas O'Loughlin, PE Principal Engineer

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POLE LOADING DATA

Pole: 45/2

Pole Loading

33% (250B) NESC Edition: 2007

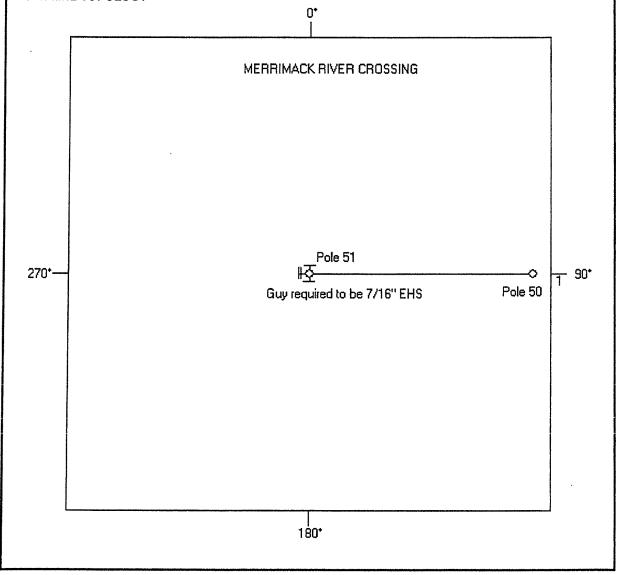
Loading District: Heavy

Horizontal: Vertical: 58% (250B) Construction: Grade B

POLES

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1	45	6.5	-1

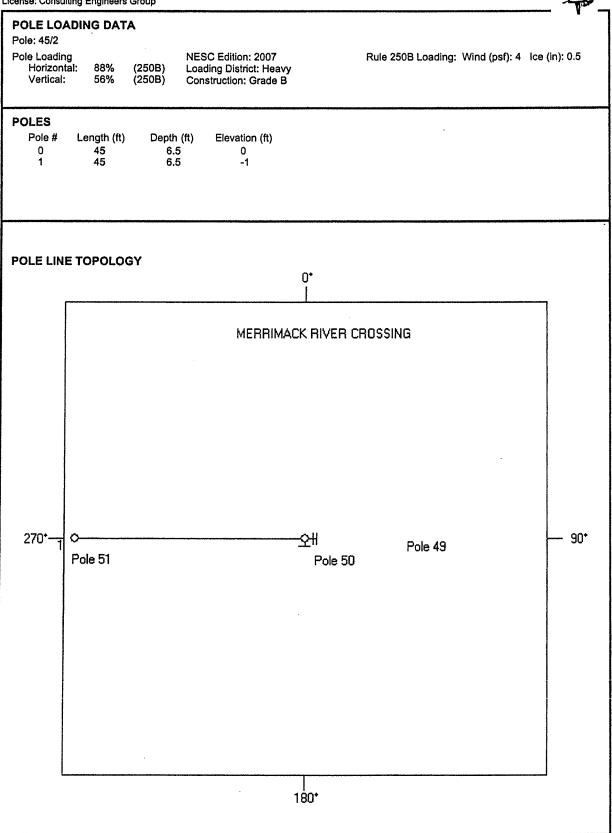
POLE LINE TOPOLOGY



File: pole loading pole 51 comcast and bayring deadend.pff

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Anchor	Strand	Attach	Length	Direction	Tension	Strength	Loading		
1	7/16" EHS	13*	25'	270°	11,219	18,720 18,720	60% 60%		
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3	7/16 EHS	13*	19'	0*	4,865	18,720	26%		
4	7/16" EHS	95*	20'	270°	15,113	18,720	81%		
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2	3/8" EHS	20"	18' 19'	180° 90°	4,835 15,970	13,860 18,720	35% 85%		
3	7/16" EHS	123*	19	90	13,310	10,720	3071		
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