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DATE: February 7, 2011 AT (OFFICE): NHPUC DT 11-012, Kearsarge Telephone Company Tariff Revision to Add Dedicated Ethernet Service Kate Bailey, Director, Telecommunications Division

On January 14, 2011, Kearsarge Telephone Company (KTC) filed a tariff revision with the Commission to add Dedicated Ethernet Service to its NHPUC Tariff No. 8. Dedicated Ethernet Service provides a packet-switched point-to-point arrangement for customers requiring high- bandwidth data applications between their locations. The service is offered based on speeds ranging from 1.5 to 10 Mbps, and on terms ranging from 12 to 60 months, with a minimum of two customer premise locations.

KTC noted that it had recently received approval for Alternative Regulation, effective January 1, 2011¹, and thus, did not include cost and revenue support with its filing. On January 20, 2011, New Hampshire Legal Assistance, on behalf of Daniel Bailey, filed a motion for reconsideration of Order No. 25,182. On February 4, 2011, the Commission issued Order No. 25,194, denying the motion for reconsideration.

KTC stated that its NHPUC Tariff No. 8 will eventually be revised and transitioned into the Uniform Tariff and Rate Schedule, in accordance with the timeframe allowed in Order No. 25,182. Under Alternative Regulation, pursuant to NH Code of Admin. Rules, Puc 431.06 (e), the Commission neither reviews nor approves rates.

Accordingly, Staff recommends that the tariff filing adding Dedicated Ethernet Service for KTC in Docket DT 11-012 be maintained for informational purposes and the docket be closed.

¹ On December 22, 2010, Kearsarge Telephone Company received Commission approval for Alternative Regulation by issuance of Order No. 25,182 in NH PUC Docket No. DT 07-027.