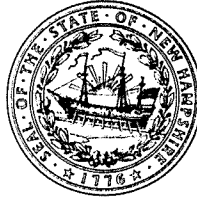


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March 3, 2011

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Re: DT 11-037, FairPoint Communications - NNE
Second Amendment to Special Contract with the City of Manchester for Centrex
Service

Dear Mr. Taylor:

On February 25, 2011, FairPoint Communications - NNE (FairPoint) filed a second amendment to an existing special contract with the City of Manchester. Under the amendment FairPoint will extend the contract to provide Centrex service for an additional 12 months. Staff has reviewed the documentation filed in support of the special contract and recommended that it be allowed to go into effect. According to Staff, the contract rate meets the price floor requirements of RSA 378:18-b, II.

For administrative efficiency, the Commission will not issue an order suspending, rejecting, or approving the proposed amendment. Accordingly, the proposed amendment to the contract between FairPoint and the City of Manchester is effective March 27, 2011, pursuant to RSA 378:18-b, II. (a).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

cc: Service List
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