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Inter-Department Communication

DATE: July 28, 2011 AT (OFFICE): NHPUC David 10 g FROM: David Goyette, Utility Analyst III - Telecommunications **SUBJECT:** DT 11-166 FairPoint Communications - NNE Special Contract with Governor Wentworth Schools AUG 0 2 2011 TO: Debra Howland, Executive Director NH PUBLIC UTILITIES Kate Bailey, Director - Telecommunications COMMISSION On July 25, 2011, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint

Communications - NNE (FairPoint) filed a special contract with Governor Wentworth Schools. Under the contract, FairPoint will provide Governor Wentworth Schools with Centrex service at a discounted line rate for a period of 36 months.

In its cover letter FairPoint stated the filing contains confidential, commercial, and financial information exempt from public disclosure under RSA 91-A:5, IV.

Staff has reviewed the cost study data submitted by FairPoint and confirmed that the contract rates exceed the price floor requirements as defined in Order Nos. 23,357 and 23,493 (Docket No. DT 99-018). Based on its analysis, Staff recommends that the special contract be allowed to go into effect pursuant to RSA 378:18-b, II(a).