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DATE: August 9, 2011 **AT (OFFICE):** NHPUC

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SUBJECT: DT 11-170 FairPoint Communications - NNE

Special Contract with First Republic Bank for ISDN-PRI

TO: Debra Howland, Executive Director

Kate Bailey, Director, Telecommunications Division

On August 3, 2011, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications - NNE (FairPoint) filed a special contract between FairPoint and First Republic Bank. Under the contract, FairPoint will provide First Republic Bank with ISDN-PRI service, including Port, Local Distribution Channel, Caller ID with Number and Direct Inward Dialing for a period of 36 months. During the 12 month contract, First Republic Bank is allowed to order additional services at the rates set forth in the contract.

FairPoint stated that 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).