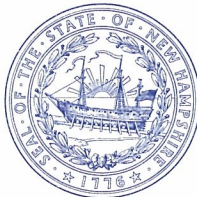


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Re: FairPoint Communications, Inc.
DT 11-177 Special Contract with VIP, Inc.
DT 11-178 Special Contract with Engelberth Construction
DT 11-179 Special Contract with NH Local Government Center, Inc.

Dear Mr. Taylor:

This letter serves as an acknowledgement of FairPoint Communications, Inc.'s filing, received August 15, 2011. Please reference the docket number cited above on any additional material to be filed in this matter. All filings should consist of one (1) original and two (2) copies of both the cover letter and any associated material.

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Debra A. Howland".

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