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By Hand Delivery

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Re: DT 07-011 Verizon New England Inc., Bell Atlantic Communications Inc.,
NYNEX Long Distance Co. Verizon Select Services Inc., and Fairpoint
Communications, Inc.

Dear Ms. Howland:

This letter will serve as a response on behalf of FairPoint Communications, Inc. (FairPoint) to Hearings Examiner Donald Kreis' report to the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (the Commission), dated October 10, 2007. Among other items noted in the report, Hearings Examiner Kreis directed the Joint Applicants and other parties to provide certain information necessary to schedule and organize the evidentiary hearings in an orderly and efficient manner. Toward that end, attached please find a list of Intervenors and Commission Staff's witnesses with proposed times for cross examination by FairPoint's counsel.

FairPoint expects to be represented during the hearings by two (2) to three (3) members of Devine, Millimet & Branch, Professional Association, along with a minimum of two (2) representatives of FairPoint. In addition, FairPoint's witnesses plan to attend the hearing on the day of their expected testimony.

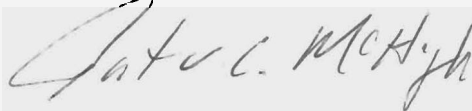
Lastly, a few unavoidable scheduling conflicts have arisen. First, Mr. Michael Haga only can attend the hearing on Monday, October 22, 2007. Mr. Haga, along with Mr. Arthur Kurtze, is one member of a 2 member witness panel. Given Mr. Haga's scheduling conflicts, FairPoint proposes to present in the first instance (on October 22) the witness testimony of Mr. Brian Lippold, followed by the panel testimony of Messrs. Haga and Kurtze. This order would be most efficient as Mr. Lippold has deferred certain questions to Messrs. Haga and Kurtze during the proceedings in the States of Vermont and Maine. To the extent such a situation arose during the proceedings before this Commission, Messrs. Haga and Kurte then would be available to answer the questions during their cross examination.

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Second, two (2) of FairPoint's witnesses are not available at all during the week of October 22. Messrs. Michael Brown and John Smee can not attend the proceedings until Monday, October 29. These two (2) witnesses are two (2) members of a three (3) person witness panel, joined by Mr. Michael Harrington. Thus, FairPoint proposes to present the panel testimony of Messrs. Brown, Harrington and Smee on Monday, October 29.

Please feel free to contact Attorney Frederick Coolbroth or me with any questions or concerns.
Thank you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Patrick C. McHugh", is written over a light gray rectangular background.

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