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May 20, 2008

Re: DT 08-028, TDS Telecom Companies  
Petition for Authority to Block Termination of Traffic from Global NAPs  
Procedural Schedule

To the Parties:

On May 14, 2008, a duly noticed prehearing conference was held in the above referenced proceeding. Appearances at the prehearing conference were entered into by representatives of the TDS Telecom Companies, Global NAPs, Union Communications, BayRing Communications, Granite State Telephone, Dunbarton Telephone, Northland Telephone of Maine, Bretton Woods Telephone, Dixville Telephone, and Commission Staff. The Office of the Consumer Advocate has the right to participate as a full statutory party but chose not to do so at this time. All pending motions to intervene were granted.

Following the prehearing conference, the parties and Staff met in a technical session and agreed upon the following schedule which was submitted to the Commission by letter from Staff dated May 15, 2008:

Discovery served on and by all parties	05/23/08
Data responses due from all parties	06/06/08
Follow-up discovery and any additional, relevant discovery served on and by all parties	06/13/08
Follow-up and additional data responses due from all parties	06/27/08
Technical Session/Stipulation of Facts	07/09/08
Briefs	08/01/08

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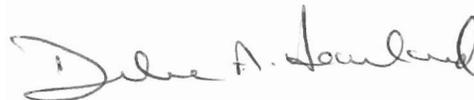
The Commission has determined that the proposed schedule is in the public interest and therefore has approved it.

In addition, Staff reports that the parties agreed to the following guidelines with respect to the conduct of discovery:

1. Discovery will be conducted via electronic mail as provided by Puc 203.09 (d).
2. The first round of discovery will be limited to 10 data requests per party; the second round will be limited to 15 data requests per party. Any sub-parts of a data request will be counted as separate requests.
3. Union, BayRing, Granite State Telephone, Dunbarton, Northland, Bretton Woods and Dixville do not require copies of confidential materials containing customer proprietary network information that may be submitted by TDS or Global NAPs.
4. TDS and Global NAPs will conclude a protective agreement amongst themselves covering any exchange of any confidential materials.
5. In the event any party disputes the relevance of data requests submitted during the course of discovery, disputes will be submitted to a hearing examiner for resolution.
6. Global NAPs will e-mail its interconnection agreement with Verizon (assumed by FairPoint), if Global NAPs has it electronically.

For administrative efficiency, the Commission has elected to issue this Secretarial Letter as its prehearing order in this proceeding.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland".

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