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Ms. Debra A. Howland Executive Director and Secretary New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re: Northland Telephone Company of Maine, Inc. - Revision to Tariff NHPUC No. 2 (Switched Access Services)

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed for filing please find an original and two copies of revisions to Northland Telephone Company of Maine, Inc. d/b/a FairPoint Communications ("FairPoint") Tariff NHPUC No. 2. An electronic copy of this filing also is enclosed.

This tariff filing is submitted in compliance with Step V of the ICC reform requirements mandated by the Federal Communications Commission Report and Order in WC Docket No. 10-90, etc., FCC No. 11-161 (released November 18, 2011). Step V of the transition requires FairPoint to establish interstate and intrastate rates effective July 1, 2016 such that its Composite Terminating End Office Access Service rate does not exceed \$0.0007 per minute. Intrastate rates and rate structure shall be in parity with the interstate rates and rate structure. The calculation of the reduction is based on interstate rates and revenues therefore any reduction in the interstate rates also is applied to the intrastate rate elements. Accordingly, this tariff filing reduces elements of FairPoint's intrastate terminating access rates to conform with FairPoint's interstate rates, effective July 1, 2016.

The following is included in this filing.

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FairPoint respectfully requests an effective date of July 1, 2016. FairPoint considers these tariff changes administrative because they are consistent with the FCC rules.

Please contact me at 603-656-8116 or via email to <u>robert.meehan@fairpoint.com</u> should you have questions regarding this filing.

Thank you.

Best regards,

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