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DATE: October 5, 2016 AT (OFFICE): NHPUC

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FROM: Michael Ladam, Director, Regulatory Innovation and Strategy

- **SUBJECT:** DT 16-820, TDS Metrocom, LLC: Intrastate Access Tariff Filing
 - Commissioners TO: Debra Howland, Executive Director
 - David Wiesner CC:

On September 9, 2016, TDS Metrocom, LLC, Inc. (TDS-M) submitted a filing to establish its New Hampshire intrastate access tariff for effect on October 8, 2016, pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Report and Order FCC 11-161 (Transformation Order). TDS-M was authorized as a telephone utility in New Hampshire on February 23, 2016. It is a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) and its rates are capped by those of Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC (FairPoint), a "price cap carrier" operating in New Hampshire.

Staff has reviewed this filing for compliance with FCC orders and rules. The filing sets specific intrastate access rates at or below those that are charged by FairPoint as of July 1, 2016. The TDS-M filing and the revised access rates therein appear to be consistent with FCC directives.

Staff therefore recommends allowing this tariff revision to take effect by operation of law on October 8, 2016.

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- c) Serve a written copy on each person on the service list not able to receive electronic mail.