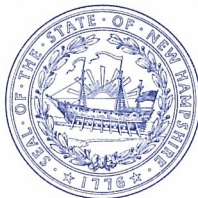


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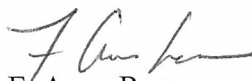
Dear Ms. Howland:

On January 22, 2009, segTEL, Inc. (segTEL) filed a request for fast track arbitration pursuant to Order No. 22,942 concerning segTEL's requests for access to FairPoint Communications, Inc.'s (FairPoint's) dark fiber facilities. On January 26, 2009, the Commission appointed me to arbitrate this matter with technical assistance as needed and directed me to report my findings and recommendations by February 11, 2009.

On February 6, 2009, Telecom Division Director, Kathryn Bailey and I met with FairPoint personnel, at 100 Gay Street, Manchester, to review the cable plats and inter-office fiber inventory records for the 19 fiber segments at issue in this investigation. As a result of the cut-over from Verizon systems to FairPoint systems, the old inter-office fiber inventory records (TIRKS) were not available electronically and the new inter-office fiber inventory records (Metasolv) were likewise not available.

Given the number of routes in question and the unavailability of inter-office fiber inventory records it is not possible to complete this investigation and report within the 20 day time frame. Accordingly, Staff requests an extension of time for filing of the arbitrator's report to February 27, 2009.

Very truly yours,


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