

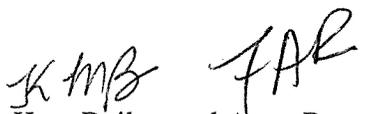
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-Department Communication

DATE: November 6, 2009

AT (OFFICE): NHPUC

FROM:


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SUBJECT:

Staff Recommendation on
A Stay of Certain Key FairPoint Dockets In Response to
FairPoint's Petition for a General Scheduling Order

TO:

Commissioners

On October 30, 2009, FairPoint filed a petition requesting that the Commission extend mandatory filing and appearance requirements and deadlines between October 26 and November 13, by 21 days and that the Commission establish no new deadlines for effect prior to November 16, 2009. FairPoint's request appeared to apply to all pending dockets involving FairPoint including DT 07-011.

On November 2, 2009, the above named staff recommended that the Commission stay all pending dockets and filing requirements for the 21 day time period requested by FairPoint.

After further review of FairPoint dockets pending before the Commission, the above named staff recommend a longer stay of certain significant dockets for up to six months in order to allow FairPoint to focus on its restructuring efforts. Staff recommends that the Commission stay the following dockets: DT 06-067; DT 09-059; DT 09-113; and DT 09-206.