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## Inter-Department Communication

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**SUBJECT:** *David*  
DT 10-047 Fairpoint Communications - NNE  
Special Contract with Southern New Hampshire Medical Center for  
Enhanced Dedicated SONET Service  
**TO:** Debra Howland, Executive Director  
Kate Bailey, Director - Telecommunications

On March 12, 2010, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a Fairpoint Communications - NNE (Fairpoint) filed a special contract between Fairpoint and Southern New Hampshire Medical Center. Under the contract, Fairpoint will provide Southern New Hampshire Medical Center with Enhanced Dedicated SONET Service for a period of 12 months. In support of the filing, Fairpoint submitted records and information, including contract terms and conditions, which are subject to confidential treatment pursuant to RSA 378:43.

Staff has reviewed the cost study data submitted by Fairpoint and confirmed that the contract rates exceed the price floor requirements as defined in Order Nos. 23,357 and 23,493 (Docket No. DT 99-018). Based on its analysis, Staff recommends that the special contract be allowed to go into effect pursuant to RSA 378:18-b, II(a).