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SUBJECT: DT 10-238, Amendment No. 3 to the Interconnection Agreement between FairPoint Communications – NNE and RCC Atlantic, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Wireless New Hampshire

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On September 8, 2010, Northern New England Telephone Operations d/b/a FairPoint Communications – NNE (FairPoint) and RCC Atlantic, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Wireless for New Hampshire, jointly filed Amendment No. 3 to the Interconnection Agreement (Agreement) between them dated March 21, 1997 and requested approval of the Agreement pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

The Amendment provides access to 911/E911 services and incorporates the associated rates, terms and conditions for this offering. The amendments consist of applicable definitions in Section 1.0, a 911 wireless attachment (described as Exhibit A to the Agreement) and additional amendments to the compensation arrangements regarding 911/E911 (Type 2C) services.

Staff reviewed the Amendment and notes that the filing meets the standards of section 252(e)(2)(A) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Amendment appears not to discriminate against any carrier and is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Staff recommends that the Commission allow this Agreement to go into effect by operation of law 90 days after originally having been filed. In this case, this amendment would become effective on or about December 7, 2010.