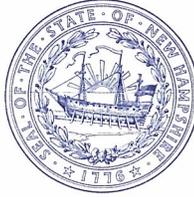


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October 19, 2010

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Re: DT 10-280 Merrimack County Telephone Company d/b/a/TDS Telecom
Petition for License to Construct and Maintain Telecommunication Lines
Over and Across the Public Waters of the North Branch River in the City of
Antrim, New Hampshire

Dear Mr. Murray:

This letter serves as an acknowledgement of Merrimack County Telephone Company d/b/a/TDS Telecom's filing, received October 19, 2010. Please reference the docket number cited above on any additional material to be filed in this matter. All filings should consist of seven (7) copies of both the cover letter and any associated material.

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director and Secretary

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