

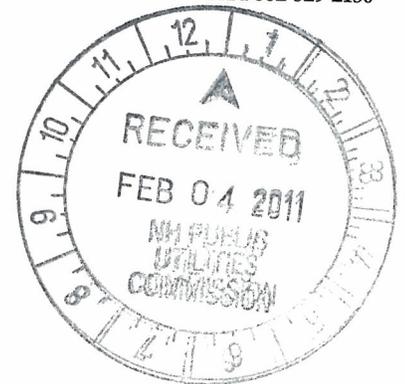
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VIA OVERNIGHT COURIER

February 2, 2011

Ms. Debra Howland
Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street
Concord, NH 03301



Re: Petition by Union Telephone Company for an Alternative Form of Regulation

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter, on behalf of Union Telephone Company, Inc. (the "Petitioner"), are an original and seven (7) written copies of the "Petition by Union Telephone Company for Approval of an Alternative Form of Regulation," together with a proposed "Alternative Regulation Plan" (Exhibit 1) and the "Prefiled Direct Testimony of Thomas E. Murray" (Exhibit 2) with several attachments thereto.

Portions of Mr. Murray's Prefiled Testimony and several of the attachments thereto contain confidential information; five of the attachments contain highly confidential information. Accordingly, a Motion for Confidential Treatment is filed herewith, together with seven (7) copies of each of the confidential documents referenced therein.

Electronic versions of both the public filings and the confidential filing are included on compact disks. I have also included an extra written copy of the documents. Would you kindly date-stamp the extra copy and return it to me in the enclosed self-addressed and stamped envelope?

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,



Paul J. Phillips
Enclosures

cc: F. Anne Ross, Esq., General Counsel
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Meredith Hatfield, Esq., Consumer Advocate
Thomas E. Murray, TDS Telecom