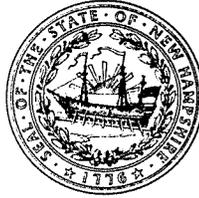


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May 12, 2011

Ryan P. Taylor
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Re: DT 11-092, FairPoint Communications - NNE
Special Contract with Southern New Hampshire Medical Center

Dear Mr. Taylor:

On April 29, 2011, FairPoint Communications - NNE (FairPoint) filed a special contract to provide Southern New Hampshire Medical Center with Enhanced Dedicated SONET Service for a period of 12 months. Staff has reviewed the documentation filed in support of the special contract and recommended that it be allowed to go into effect. According to Staff, the contract rate meets the price floor requirements of RSA 378:18-b, II.

For administrative efficiency, the Commission will not issue an order suspending, rejecting, or approving the proposed contract. Accordingly, the proposed contract between FairPoint and the Southern New Hampshire Medical Center is effective May 28, 2011, pursuant to RSA 378:18-b, II. (a).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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