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## Inter-Department Communication

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**AT (OFFICE):** NHPUC

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**SUBJECT:** DT 11-101 FairPoint Communications - NNE  
Special Contract with Northeast Utilities Service Company  
**TO:** Debra Howland, Executive Director  
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On May 11, 2011, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications - NNE (FairPoint) filed a special contract with Northeast Utilities Service Company. Under the contract, FairPoint will provide Northeast Utilities Service Company with Frame Relay service with standard features, including DS1 Port and Access, for a period of 60 months.

In its cover letter FairPoint stated the filing contains confidential, commercial, and financial information exempt from public disclosure under RSA 91-A:5, IV.

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).