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SUBJECT: DT 11-130 FairPoint Communications - NNE
Amendment to the Special Contract with Russound
TO: Debra Howland, Executive Director
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On May 20, 2011, Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications - NNE (FairPoint) filed an amendment to an existing special contract with Russound. The amendment further reduces the ISDN Port monthly recurring charge by \$10.00 and allows Russound to purchase DID blocks of 100 (or a fraction thereof) at a special rate.

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).