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Re: DT 12-186 Northland Telephone Company of Maine, Inc.  
d/b/a/FairPoint Communications – Northland Telephone Company of Maine  
Tariff Filing revising provisions for VoIP-PSTN Traffic

Dear Ms. Thomas:

On June 15, 2012, Northland Telephone Company of Maine, Inc. d/b/a/FairPoint Communications – Northland Telephone Company of Maine (Northland) filed a revision to its NHPUC Tariff No. 2, to take effect on July 15, 2012. This tariff revises the methodology for rating certain VoIP / PSTN access traffic as qualified for interstate rates. This change is pursuant to a May 2012 rule change promulgated by the Federal Communications Commission.

On July 13, 2012, the Commission extended the effective date of the tariff by 30 days, to August 14, 2012, to allow Staff and Northland to resolve potential concerns and ambiguities.

In further reviewing the tariff, Staff has concluded that its terms avoid the concerns raised by similar filings. In particular, the Northland tariff allows wholesale customers to file traffic percentage metrics at any time. This flexibility resolves the concern Staff originally raised.

In Staff's assessment no revision in its terms is required. The Commission has accepted Staff's assessment. Pursuant to RSA 378:3 and RSA 378:6, IV, the revision has gone into effect by operation of law on August 14, 2012. Tariff pages should be filed referencing Docket No. DT 12-186 and reflecting the effective date of August 14, 2012.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director

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