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Ms. Debra A. Howland
 Executive Director and Secretary
 New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
 Concord, New Hampshire 03301



Re: Tariff Filing

Dear Ms. Howland:

Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications – NNE (“FairPoint”) is filing for effect August 1, 2012 tariff changes consisting of:

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This filing makes changes in the Lifeline discount offered to qualified residence customers due to changes in the federal Universal Service Fund’s Lifeline program support as of August 1, 2012. The FCC notified Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) that the implementation of the \$9.25 flat rate lifeline discount on non-Tribal lands will become effective August 1, 2012. As a result of these changes, the Lifeline discount to be applied to qualified lines will be increased to \$3.11. The Subscriber Line Charge will also continue to be waived.

This filing is in compliance with the FCC Order and FairPoint is requesting less than 30 days approval, with an effective date of August 1, 2012.

Attached is a copy of the tariff page. Please return the copy of this filing marked “Receipt” with your stamp of receipt.

Yours truly,

State Regulatory Matters

cc: Office of Consumer Advocate