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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:

Northland Telephone Company of Maine, Inc. d/b/a FairPoint Communications ("FairPoint") is filing for effect August 1, 2012 tariff changes consisting of:

NH PUC No. 1

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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 \$2.75. 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

