

# STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Inter-Department Communication

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**AT (OFFICE):** NHPUC

**FROM:** <sup>ML</sup> Michael Ladam, Assistant Director of Telecommunications

**SUBJECT:** DT 12-337, Northern New England Telephone Operations, LLC  
d/b/a FairPoint Communications – NNE Tariff Filing to Revise NH  
PUC Tariff No. 2: ILEC Collocation Tariff

**TO:** Commissioners  
Debra Howland, Executive Director  
Kate Bailey, Director, Telecommunications

On November 19, 2012, Northern New England Telephone Operations, LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications – NNE (FairPoint) submitted a filing to revise the language in its ILEC Collocation Tariff No. 2. According to FairPoint, this revision updates its tariff obligations in accordance with Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules regarding competition levels in particular wire centers.

Any change to these obligations is likely to have a substantial impact on FairPoint competitors that now lease facilities from FairPoint. The CLEC Association of Northern New England (CANNE) has petitioned to intervene in this docket, and has requested that the Commission schedule a technical session. FairPoint has also submitted data requests to members of CANNE. This docket will also require an assessment of the legal status of earlier FCC and Commission rulings.

In light of the possible questions of both fact and law, as well as the intention of various parties to introduce additional material into the docket, it does not appear practical for Staff to complete a review of this tariff within thirty days. Staff therefore recommends extending the time for determination of the proposed revision by 30 days, to January 18, 2013, pursuant to NH RSA 378:6, IV.