

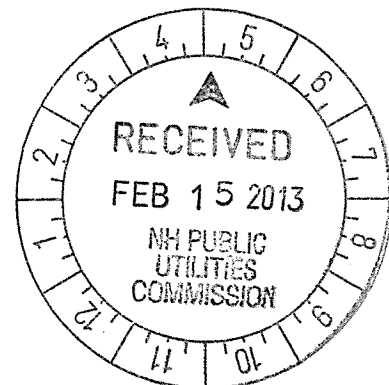


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Ms. Debra Howland  
Executive Director and Secretary  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301



**Re: Petition of Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC d/b/a FairPoint Communications – NNE (“FairPoint”) to Construct and Maintain Temporary Telecommunications Cables across New Hampshire Public Waters**

Dear Ms. Howland:

FairPoint has been contacted by the State of New Hampshire (“the State”) in regards to a bridge re-construction project on-going in Somersworth, New Hampshire. As part of this project, FairPoint is required to re-locate its telecommunications facilities over New Hampshire public waters in order to allow the State to advance the project.

Included with this letter is a petition for FairPoint to construct and maintain its telecommunications cables on a temporary basis over New Hampshire public waters. FairPoint’s cables will be attached to existing utility poles that have wires crossing over the same waterway. Upon completion of the bridge reconstruction project, FairPoint will remove its temporary cables and permanently attach to the re-designed bridge in a conduit system.

Enclosed is an original and six copies as well as a compact disk. Please return the copy of this filing marked “Receipt” with your stamp of receipt.

Please do not hesitate to contact me in the event that you should you have any questions, I can be reached at 603.656.8102.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R.P. Taylor", written over a horizontal line.

Ryan P. Taylor

Cc: Susan Chamberlin, Office of Consumer Advocate