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TRANSMITTAL No. 5

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, FCC Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The accompanying tariff material, issued by The FairPoint Telephone Companies ("FairPoint"), is sent to you for filing in compliance with the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

The FCC Registration Number for FairPoint is 0007-7099-91. FairPoint is issuing this filing on behalf of issuing carriers with the following FRN's:

- Northern New England Telephone Operations, LLC FRN: 0016-0226-18
- Telephone Operating Company of Vermont, LLC FRN: 0017-5513-59

This material, filed on not less than 1 day's notice and scheduled to become effective on July 15, 2008, consists of tariff pages as indicated on the following check sheets:

Tariff FCC No. 1, Access Service 5th Revised Page 1

With this transmittal, the Company submits text changes to the description of Contract Tariff Option 43 under pricing flexibility.

This transmittal letter and associated attachments are being filed electronically today via the Federal Communications Commission's Electronic Tariff Filing System (ETFS).

Payment in the amount of \$775.00 has been electronically transmitted to the U.S. Bank, 1005 Convention Plaza, SL-MO-C2-GL, St. Louis, MO 63101, in accordance with the fee program procedures. The Form 159 is being transmitted electronically via EFTS.

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Petitions pertaining to this filing may be served by facsimile to:

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All correspondence and inquiries concerning this transmittal should be addressed to Sharon Thomas at 407-740-3031 or sthomas@tminc.com, P.O. Box 200, Winter Park, Florida 32790-0200.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sharon Thomas". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Sharon" and last name "Thomas" clearly distinguishable.

Sharon Thomas
Consultant to
The FairPoint Telephone Companies

Attachments:
Revised Tariff Pages
Form 159

Copy: US Bank, 1005 Convention Plaza, SL-MO-C2-GL, St. Louis, MO 63101
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