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TRANSMITTAL No. 14

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 is being filed on fifteen days' notice and scheduled to become effective on January 1, 2010, consisting of tariff pages as indicated on the following check sheets:

Tariff FCC No. 1, Access Service 15th Revised Page 1

This tariff revision increases the Federal Universal Service Fund Surcharges to reflect the first quarter 2010 universal service contribution factor as announced by the FCC in Public Notice, DA 09-2588, CC Docket 96-45.

This filing is in compliance with and includes the necessary supporting material required by Sections 61.41 through 61.49 of the Commission's rules.

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 \$815.00 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.

December 17, 2009

This material is filed on 15 days' notice under Section 204(a)(3) of the Communications Act

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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,

/s/Sharon Thomas
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Attachments:
Revised Tariff Pages
Form 159

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