



December 28, 2011

Via ETFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, FCC Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
9300 East Hampton Drive
Capitol Heights, MD 20743

RE: The FairPoint Telephone Companies – Response to Petition of Sprint Communications Company, L.P. to Reject, In Part

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission on behalf of The FairPoint Telephone Companies ("FairPoint") is the Response to the Petition of Sprint Communications, L.P. to Reject, In Part FairPoint's F.C.C. Tariff Nos. 1 and 2, Transmittal No. 26, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §1.773(b).

Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please address them to my attention at (407) 740-3031 or via email at stthomas@tminc.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Sharon Thomas

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Consultant to The FairPoint Telephone Companies

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