

June 18, 2012

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

The FairPoint Telephone Companies
521 East Morehead Street, Suite 250
Charlotte, NC 28202

TRANSMITTAL No. 31

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
- China Telephone Co. - FRN #: 0003-7082-45
- Maine Telephone Co. - FRN # 0003-7082-29
- Northland Telephone Company of Maine, Inc. - FRN # 0003-7231-86
- FairPoint Vermont, Inc. - FRN # 0003-7232-02
- Sidney Telephone Company – FRN # 0003-7232-10
- Standish Telephone Co. – FRN # 0003-7082-86

This material is being filed on fifteen (15) days' notice and scheduled to become effective on July 3, 2012, consisting of tariff pages as indicated on the following check sheets:

Tariff FCC No. 1, Access Service 32nd Revised Page 1

Tariff FCC No. 2, Access Service 10th Revised Page 1

With this filing The FairPoint Companies submit tariff pages and supporting data for the 2012 Annual Access Filing¹. Supporting materials for FCC Tariff No. 1 and Tariff No. 2 revisions decreasing the Second Quarter 2012 Universal Service Contribution Factor and introducing the Access Recovery charge, as described under Section 61.38 of Commission's Rules, is included with this filing.

¹ See July 3, 2012 Annual Access Charge Tariff Filings Order, 2012 FCC (April 19, 2012) and Material to be Filed in Support of 2012 Annual Access Tariff Filings, Tariff Review Plans, DA 12-575.

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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.

Certain information filed in support of this filing is filed with a request that it be treated as confidential under the Freedom of Information Act. A letter supporting the request for placement under Protective Order pursuant to Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules, Exemption 4 of the freedom of Information Act, as well as the Tariff Streamlining Order is submitted with this filing.

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 \$845.00 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.

Petitions pertaining to this filing may be served 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
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
Ms. Barbara Galardo, FairPoint
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