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FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS, INC., )  
C-R TELEPHONE COMPANY, EL PASO )  
TELEPHONE COMPANY, ODIN TELEPHONE )  
EXCHANGE, INC. and YATES CITY TELEPHONE )  
COMPANY )  
)  
Joint Application for approval of the Recapitalization of )  
FairPoint Communications, Inc. pursuant to Sections 7-203 )  
and 7-204 and for other relief. )

Docket No. 04-0299

NOTICE AND CERTIFICATION

THIS Notice and Certification is filed by FairPoint Communications, Inc. in accordance with Condition (7) of the Illinois Commerce Commission's Order On Reopening entered January 20, 2005. Condition (7) provides as follows:

"(7) that FairPoint keep available exclusively for the Illinois operating telephone companies, under its senior secured credit facility, an amount equal to the higher of \$1 million or the currently approved capital expenditures budget for all four Illinois operating telephone companies. FairPoint should certify annually to the Commission that the required amount is available to the Illinois operating companies for the ensuing year. Therefore, on December 1 of each year, FairPoint shall send a notice to the Commission certifying that such amount was then currently available, and for the ensuing year what the dollar commitment would be for the Illinois companies based on the capital expenditure budget for the following year."

Pursuant to the Illinois Commerce Commission's Order in Docket No. 07-0237 entered on June 27, 2007, Yates City Telephone Company was allowed to cease offering telecommunications services upon the closing of the Asset Purchase Agreement between Yates City Telephone Company and Mid-Century Telephone Cooperative, Inc. The closing occurred on July 31, 2007 and Yates City Telephone Company ceased offering telecommunications services.

FairPoint Communications, Inc. hereby notifies the Illinois Commerce Commission that the preliminary capital expenditure budgets for the calendar year 2011 for the three FairPoint Illinois operating telephone companies are as follows: C-R Telephone Company d/b/a FairPoint Communications / C-R

Telephone Company -- \$26,000; The El Paso Telephone Company d/b/a FairPoint Communications / The El Paso Telephone Company -- \$26,000; and Odin Telephone Exchange, Inc. d/b/a FairPoint Communications / Odin Telephone Exchange, Inc. -- \$149,000. These 2011 capital expenditure budgets total \$201,000.

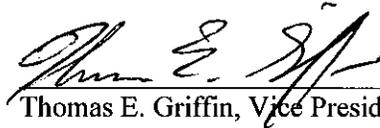
FairPoint Communications, Inc. hereby certifies that \$1,000,000 is available under its Debtor in Possession credit facility ("DIP facility") on the date hereof and is expected to be available for the ensuing year under its DIP facility, or the \$75 million revolving credit facility that will be put into place upon emergence from Chapter 11, exclusively for the Illinois operating telephone companies for the calendar year 2011.

DATED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

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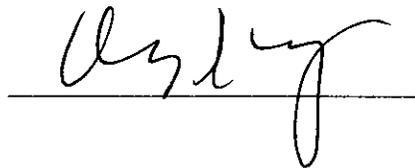
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The undersigned certifies that a copy of the Notice and Certification was served upon all parties via U.S. Mail this 29<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2010.

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