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**FairPoint Completes Network Improvements in Chesterfield,
New Hampshire**

New Equipment Expands and Upgrades Broadband Service in the Community

MANCHESTER, NH (August 11, 2014) - FairPoint Communications has installed new technology in the town of Chesterfield bringing greater broadband speed to customers served by these facilities. The new equipment means that FairPoint has expanded and upgraded service to more than 330 additional homes and businesses in Chesterfield.

Since April 2008, FairPoint has invested more than \$700 million in its communications infrastructure and technology to reach new customers, upgrade its network and expand broadband in northern New England, including building thousands of miles of new fiber across the region, offering customers a better, faster way to communicate.

"Broadband access opens doors to the world for the residents and businesses in New Hampshire and is fundamental to the state's future economic growth," said Pat McHugh, FairPoint's New Hampshire state president. "We are pleased to announce we have expanded the availability of high-speed Internet to more homes and businesses in Chesterfield."

The upgrade in Chesterfield also allows some customers to qualify for higher broadband speeds. Building the most robust and versatile network across the region is crucial to handle the increasing demands for bandwidth, McHugh said.

High-speed connection areas include portions of the following streets/roads in Chesterfield: Atherton Hill Road, Cady Lane, Edgar Road, Erbhof Road, Forest Avenue, Forestview Drive, Glebe Road, Gulf Road, Hewitt Road, Hulslander Road, Lincoln Street, Lincoln Road, Margo Avenue, Mill Road, Old Swanzey Road, Phillip Drive, Rosewood Lane, Route 9, Scott Circle, South Lincoln Street, Stones Mill Road, Sugar Maple Lane, Sunset Drive, Tuttle Road, U.S. Route 4, Valley Park Drive, Very Mill Road, Zinn Road and Zuverino Road.

Customers in Chesterfield who qualify can find out more about pricing and speed options available by calling **1-866.984.2001** for residential consumers and **1-866.984.3001** for businesses.

About FairPoint Communications, Inc. FairPoint Communications, Inc. (Nasdaq: FRP) provides advanced data, voice and video technologies to single and multi-site businesses, public and private institutions, consumers, wireless companies and wholesale re-sellers in 17 states. Leveraging an owned, fiber-core Ethernet network — including more than 16,000 route miles of fiber in northern New England — FairPoint has the network coverage, scalable bandwidth and transport capacity to support enhanced applications, including the next generation of mobile and cloud-based communications, such as small cell wireless backhaul technology, voice over IP, data center colocation services, managed services and disaster recovery. For more information, visit www.FairPoint.com.

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