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DSCI CORPORATION SUPPORTS APPROVAL OF FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF VERIZON'S WIRELINE OPERATIONS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

CONCORD, NH (October 8, 2007) – FairPoint Communications, Inc. (NYSE: FRP) today announced DSCI Corporation has filed its support of the approval of the proposed acquisition by FairPoint of Verizon's wireline operations in New Hampshire. DSCI Corporation is a provider of integrated communications solutions for business, including voice, data, Internet and IP products.

DSCI had intervened in the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission proceeding reviewing FairPoint and Verizon's joint application seeking approval of the merger between FairPoint and Verizon's wireline and related operations in New Hampshire. However, DSCI has asked for permission to withdraw from the New Hampshire proceeding and now supports approval of the transaction.

DSCI stated in its motion to withdraw as an intervenor that FairPoint has cooperated with DSCI in resolving DSCI's concerns; the two parties have entered into an agreement resolving all outstanding issues; and DSCI no longer believes it necessary to participate as an intervenor.

"We are extremely pleased to add DSCI to the growing list of companies that have expressed support for the acquisition, and we will continue to seek settlements with other intervenors," said Gene Johnson, chairman and CEO of FairPoint. "We are grateful for the support received thus far and remain confident we will receive all necessary approvals for the transaction."

"DSCI is looking forward to a long and mutually beneficial relationship with our new telecommunications partner FairPoint," commented Sean Dandley, CEO and president of DSCI Corporation. "FairPoint has demonstrated a commitment to working cooperatively while delivering system and infrastructure upgrades to meet the needs of its wholesale customers."

In January, FairPoint submitted its applications for approval of the acquisition of Verizon's wireline operations in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. The petitions are currently being reviewed by the Public Utilities Commissions of Maine and New Hampshire, and the Public Service Board of Vermont, as well as by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

About FairPoint

FairPoint is a leading provider of communications services to rural and small urban communities across the country. Incorporated in 1991, FairPoint's mission is to acquire and operate telecommunications companies that set the standard of excellence for the delivery of service to rural and small urban communities. Today, FairPoint owns and operates 30 local exchange companies located in 18 states offering an array of services, including local and long distance voice, data, Internet and broadband offerings. FairPoint is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "FRP".

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FairPoint has filed, and the SEC has declared effective, a registration statement in connection with the proposed merger. FairPoint urges investors to read these documents and other materials filed and to be filed by FairPoint relating to the proposed merger because they contain and will contain important information. Investors can obtain copies of the registration statement, as well as other filed documents containing information about FairPoint and the proposed merger, at www.sec.gov, the SEC’s website. Investors may also obtain free copies of these documents and FairPoint’s other SEC filings at www.fairpoint.com under the Investor Relations section, or by written request to FairPoint Communications, Inc., 521 E. Morehead Street, Suite 250, Charlotte, NC 28202, Attention: Investor Relations.

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