**BEFORE**

**THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Implementation of )

Section 749.10 of Amended Substitute ) Case No. 11-5384-AU-UNC

House Bill 153 )

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

**BY FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION**

Pursuant to Ohio Adm. Code 4901-1-12 and 4901-1-13, FairPoint Communications Corporation, on behalf of three of its ILEC affiliates and two affiliated competitive telecommunications providers[[1]](#footnote-1) (together, “FairPoint”) respectfully moves for an extension of time in which to comply with the December 14, 2011 Finding and Order (the “Order”) in this proceeding. Due to internal delays, FairPoint was unable to process the checks required to be submitted in accordance with the Order and deliver them as required by February 22, 2012. FairPoint respectfully requests an extension until March 9, 2012 to submit the required payments.

This Motion should be granted for good cause for the reasons more fully set forth in the accompanying memorandum in support.

Respectfully submitted,

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**MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT**

Ohio Adm. Code 4901-1-13(A) allows for extensions of time to file pleadings and other papers to be granted for good cause shown. Due to delays in the processing of the payments required to be submitted pursuant to the Order, FairPoint requests an extension until March 9, 2012 to submit its payments to the Ohio Department of Development (“ODOD”). The requests for the checks were submitted, but due to FairPoint’s internal processes and time frames, the checks will not be issued until approximately March 8, 2012. FairPoint will send the payments to the ODOD immediately upon issuance. The total amount due from FairPoint to ODOD is less than eight hundred fifty dollars.

FairPoint respectfully requests the granting of this Motion for the good cause shown.

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# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

It is hereby certified that a true copy of the foregoing Motion was served via electronic mail to the persons listed below this 1st day of March, 2012.

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1. Columbus Grove Telephone Company, The Germantown Independent Telephone Company, Orwell Telephone Company, Quality One Technologies, Inc., and Orwell Communications, Inc. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)