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DATE: MARCH 20, 2017

SUBJECT: FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS, INC. - ANTICIPATED
ADJUSTMENT
OPTION SYMBOL: FRP
NEW SYMBOL: CNSL1
DATE: ???

Contract Adjustment

DATE: Effective the opening of the business day after the merger is consummated. Contract adjustment is anticipated to occur in the middle of 2017.

OPTION SYMBOL: FRP changes to CNSL1

STRIKE DIVISOR: 1

CONTRACTS MULTIPLIER: 1

NEW MULTIPLIER: 100 (e.g., a premium of 1.50 yields \$150; a strike of 17.30 yields \$1,730.00)

NEW DELIVERABLE PER CONTRACT: 73 Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. (CNSL) Common Shares

CUSIP: CNSL: 209034107

PRICING

The underlying price for CNSL1 will be determined as follows:

$$\text{CNSL1} = 0.73 (\text{CNSL})$$

BACKGROUND

On March 28, 2017, Shareholders of FairPoint Communications, Inc. (FRP) will vote concerning the proposed merger with Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. (CNSL). If the merger is approved and consummated, each existing FRP Common Share will be converted into the right to receive 0.73 CNSL Common Shares.

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