

Public Notice Submission

Provider Name: Midcoast Internet Solutions

Summary: We dispute the Fairpoint project in application id 6359 for statewide middle mile and specific last mile. Between private investment and the 3 ring binder grant, their middle mile project is largely redundant and is another bailout for this bankrupt company. Fairpoint has already agreed as part of a recent award for maine school and library project to install substantial fiber facilities to many libraries and schools across the state, and for them to ask for support in connecting anchor institutions is double dipping. Fairpoint was also very against the 3 ring binder as they claimed it was not necessary because of Fairpoint's network. They should really have separated the middle mile project from the last mile project. They do need to do last mile work, but they are trying to get this middle mile project thrown in with it as if combining two separate projects as means of hedging their bets.