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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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Paul H. SunuChief Executive OfficerFairPoint Communications, Inc.521 East Morehead Street, Suite 500Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Re: FairPoint Communications, Inc. Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009 Filed May 28, 2010 File No. 001-32408 Form 10-Q for Quarterly Period Ended March 31, 2010 Filed June 18, 2010 File No. 001-32408 Form 10-Q for Quarterly Period Ended June 30, 2010 Filed August 5, 2010 File No. 001-32408

Dear Mr. Sunu:

We have completed our review of your filings and do not have any further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Larry Spirgel Assistant Director

cc: Jeffrey J. Pellegrino, Esq.