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TO: PTA Member Companies

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SUBJECT: Passing of John Sutphen

Sadly, PTA has learned that John Sutphen, Director of Rates and Tariffs for FairPoint passed away on Friday.

PTA only received word today; therefore, the services have already transpired. I'm attaching a copy of the obituary.

It is my understanding that John was on vacation with his family when he suffered a heart attack.

Please keep John's family in your prayers.

Cards and condolences can be sent to John's family at 114 Bradt Road, Mayfield, NY 12117.