## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of the Application of ACN Communications Services, LLC to modify its Local Exchange Services Tariff P.U.C.O. Tariff No. 5. Case No.17-0066-TP-ATA

TRF No. 90-9227-TP-TRF

## **REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION** SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

On January 10, 2017, ACN Communications Services, LLC (ACN) filed an ATA seeking to revise its Local Exchange Service Tariff P.U.C.O. No. 5. In the application, ACN proposes to grandfather stand-alone basic local exchange service (BLES) to existing business and residential customers. With approval of this application, stand-alone BLES will no longer be available for new installations. Existing BLES customers will see no change in the terms, conditions, or rates of their service thus, a customer notice is unnecessary. Currently, ACN has a total of ten BLES customers in Ohio.

In Ohio, ACN offers service in the ILEC territories of AT&T Ohio, Frontier North, Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company, and United Telephone Company of Ohio dba CenturyLink.

Therefore, pursuant to 4901:1-6-14(H)(2) O.A.C. of the Telephone Company Procedures and Standards, an application to make a material change in the terms and conditions of an existing BLES by a LEC must be filed as an ATA tariff amendment subject to the thirty-day automatic approval process. The Staff reviewed all documents and exhibits filed with this application and found them to be compliant with Commission rules. Thus, Staff has determined that the request to grandfather stand-alone BLES in the local exchange tariff appears to satisfy the Commission's requirements set forth in 4901:1-6-14 of the Administrative Code. Staff recommends that this application be approved on February 9, 2017 with an effective date of February 10, 2017.

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