

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of AMCS)	Case No.19-2044 -TP-ACE
Network Services LLC (AMCS LLC) for)	
certification in the State of Ohio.)	

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

On November 15, 2019, AMCS Network Services LLC (AMCS LLC) filed an application seeking authority to provide competitive telecommunications services throughout Ohio as a facilities-based carrier. Specifically, AMCS LLC will provide intrastate point-to-point services to business customers by utilizing its services as high-speed data transport between various points throughout Ohio. AMCS LLC intends to build a fiber-based network in Ohio and use dark fiber, as needed, to provide telecommunications services to third-party customers and for its own use. AMCS LLC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Amazon.com Services, Inc. which, in turn, is a subsidiary of Amazon.com, Inc., a publicly traded company on the NASDAQ.

The Application is being filed pursuant to the Commission's 10-1010-TP-ORD Retail Rules, as codified in 4901:1-6-08 of the Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.). Absent full or partial suspension, certification applications will be approved in accordance with the thirty-day automatic approval process described in rule 4901:1-6-05 of the O.A.C.

The Staff reviewed all documents and exhibits filed with this application. The Applicant has demonstrated that it has the requisite technical, financial and managerial expertise to provide service in Ohio. Staff has determined that the proposed application, as amended on December 2 and December 9, 2019, appears to satisfy the Commission's requirements set forth in 4901:1-6-08 of the Ohio Administrative Code. Staff recommends that this application be approved on December 15, 2019. Staff will issue certificate number 90-6435 after approval.

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