BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Windstream)	Case No.17-0337-TP-ACN
Ohio, Inc. to change its name to Windstream)	
Ohio, LLC.)	

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION

SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

On February 1, 2017, Windstream Ohio, Inc. (Applicant) filed an application to change its name to Windstream Ohio, LLC under Certificate 90-5002. The Applicant did provide a customer notice to all its customers in Ohio. The Applicant will operate as Windstream Ohio, LLC and will continue to offer its service under the same rates, terms and conditions as before.

The application is being filed pursuant to the Commission's 10-1010-TP-ORD Retail Rules, as codified in 4901:1-6-29 of the Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.). Absent full or partial suspension, applications to change a name 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 and has determined that the proposed application appears to satisfy the Commission's requirements set forth in 4901:1-6-29 of the Ohio Administrative Code. Staff recommends that this application be approved on March 3, 2017. Upon approval of the application, Staff will ensure the Certificate 90-5002 is modified to reflect the new name.

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