

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Applications of West)	Case Nos.17-1452-TP-ACO
Telecom Services, LLC and West Safety)	90-9197-TP-TRF
Communications Inc. for Approval of a)	90-9364-TP-TRF
Change of Ownership.)	90-8000-TP-TRF

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

On June 16, 2017, West Telecom Services, LLC (West Telecom) and West Safety Communications Inc. (West Safety and collectively with West Telecom, Applicants) filed an application for approval of a change in ownership. Pursuant to the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) §4901:1-6-29(E), as adopted in Case No. 10-1010-TP-ORD, this is an application for a change in ownership of a local exchange carrier (LEC) providing basic local exchange service (BLES). As such, this application for a change in ownership (ACO) filing is subject to a 30-day approval process as described in rule 4901:1-6-05 of the Administrative Code. The automatic approval date is July 16, 2017, with an effective date of July 17, 2017

The Staff reviewed all documents and exhibits filed on June 16, 2017 and found that the application meets all the requirements set forth in Rule 29 of the Telephone Company Procedures and Standards. Since the transaction is transparent to customers, no customer notice was required. Therefore, Staff recommends that the Applicants' applications for a change in ownership (ACO) be approved.

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