

**BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of The Orwell	)	
Telephone Company d/b/a FairPoint	)	
Communications to Change name to The	)	Case No. 18-0072-TP-ACN
Orwell Telephone Company d/b/a/	)	
Consolidated Communications/Orwell	)	

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

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On January, 9, 2018, the Orwell Telephone Company d/b/a FairPoint Communications (Orwell/FairPoint) filed an application with the Commission for approval to change its name to The Orwell Telephone Company d/b/a Consolidated Communications/Orwell. This application is being filed pursuant to Section 4901:1-6-29(B) as adopted in Case No. 10-1010-TP-ORD.

O.A.C. 4901:1-6-29 requires the filing of an ACN application for a change of official name. Pursuant to Section 4901:1-6-05 O.A.C. the application is subject to the 30-day automatic approval process. The Commission previously approved the acquisition of Fairpoint Communications, Orwell/Fairpoint's previous parent company, by Consolidated Communications in Case No. 17-0069-TP-ACO. Now, Orwell/FairPoint is seeking to change its name to The Orwell Telephone Company d/b/a Consolidated Communications/Orwell to reflect the change in ownership. 30-day notice was provided to customers in accordance with 4901:1-6-7 O.A.C.

The Staff has reviewed all documents filed with the application and has determined that the application has satisfied the requirements set forth in the rule. As such, Staff recommends that the application be approved with an effective date of February 9, 2018.

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