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MARCS Steering Committee meets Oct. 20

The Ohio Multi-Agency Radio Communications System (MARCS) Steering Committee will meet from 8 to 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 20 at the Vern Riffe Center, 77 S. High St., Columbus, in Room 1960.

Agenda items include establishing the initial operating arrangements for the pilot of the next generation of MARCS, which is being implemented in Cuyahoga County, and a report on the rationale for this upgrade to be implemented statewide. The agenda also includes a proposal to eliminate the 3 percent annual increase in agreements for existing co-locators at MARCS communication sites.

MARCS is the State of Ohio’s comprehensive wireless communication system for police, fire, emergency medical services and other public safety forces. MARCS provides wireless voice and mobile data for state agencies, including the Ohio departments of Natural Resources, Public Safety, and Rehabilitation and Correction. MARCS also provides wireless voice radio service for nearly 1,300 county, township, federal and private first-responders.

MARCS is administered by the Ohio Department of Administrative Services.

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