BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. 911-002
Public Service Commission, on)
its own motion, seeking to) ORDER SETTING SURCHARGE
determine the surcharge for the)
Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund.) Entered: December 14, 2010

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Commission, on its own motion, scheduled a hearing on this matter pursuant to an order entered on October 7, 2010, to determine the annual surcharge for the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund (Fund), pursuant to $Neb.\ Rev.\ Stat.\ \S\ 86-458\ (2008).$

Notice of the hearing was sent to all Public Safety Answering Points and Wireless Service Providers on October 7, 2010.

Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-457, the surcharge may be increased by the Commission up to \$.70 per active telephone number or functional equivalent for all counties but Douglas County, which remains capped at \$.50. Ms. Sue Vanicek, Director of the Nebraska Telecommunications Infrastructure and Public Safety Department, testified regarding the surcharge level and recommended that the surcharge remain at \$.50 statewide, as there are sufficient funds to cover current and projected recurring and non-recurring expenses.

At its November 15, 2010 meeting, the Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board also recommended that the surcharge remain at \$.50. Mr. Larry Dix, Executive Director of the Nebraska Association of County Officials also testified during the hearing that the Commission should keep the surcharge at a level to ensure that payments to PSAPs are not decreased.

The Commission finds that based upon testimony provided by staff and the recommendation of the Advisory Board, the surcharge should remain at fifty cents (\$.50) per active telephone number or functional equivalent, per month.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the surcharge for the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund should be set at fifty cents (\$.50) per active telephone number or functional equivalent, per month.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 14th day of December, 2010.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Deputy Director