

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska)	Application No. 911-015/PI-106
Public Service, on its own)	
motion, to investigate issues)	
related to the calculation and)	ORDER OPENING DOCKET AND
reimbursement of costs to)	REQUESTING COMMENT
carriers of implementing)	
enhanced wireless 911 service.)	Entered: August 30, 2005
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BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) hereby opens the above-captioned docket, on its own motion, to investigate issues related to the calculation and reimbursement of costs to carriers of implementing enhanced wireless 911 service.

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-466 states, in part, "A public safety answering point and wireless carrier shall be compensated for costs determined by the commission to be eligible for funding." In determining the eligibility of costs, the purposes outlined in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-465 shall be eligible for funding.

The Commission requests written comment from all interested parties including, but not limited to, wireless carriers, local exchange carriers (LECs), and any third-party vendors on the following issues related to the cost of enhanced wireless 911 service in Nebraska:

1. How wireless carriers and local exchange carriers (LECs) determine costs related to implementing or providing enhanced wireless 911 service, both Phase I and Phase II. Please specifically comment on the basis for those costs (e.g. wireless towers, subscriber counts, access lines, etc.), what services are included in those costs, and any formulas used in the calculation of costs.
2. If you provide service in any other state, please explain whether your costs are calculated in the same way in those other states and if not, please explain how the calculations are different and why.

3. Indicate whether you receive cost recovery or any kind of subsidy for the purposes of providing or implementing enhanced wireless 911 service in any other state and the extent and basis of that cost recovery. Advise which states are involved and whether you receive full cost recovery or something less. If you do not receive full cost recovery, outline what costs are reimbursable.
4. Whether a uniform calculation should be established for determining levels of cost recovery in Nebraska for enhanced wireless 911 service.
5. Any other factors impacting the costs of implementing or providing enhanced wireless 911 service.

All comments shall be filed on or before October 14, 2005, at 5:00 p.m. All parties filing comments should file one original, five paper copies and one electronic copy in MS Word format.

The Commission will later schedule any necessary public workshops or a public hearing on dates to be determined to solicit further public and industry comment on the issues outlined herein.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the above-captioned docket be, and it is hereby, opened to investigate issues related to the calculation and reimbursement of costs to carriers of implementing enhanced wireless 911 service.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that interested parties submit written comments related to the issues outlined herein on or before **5:00 p.m. on October 14, 2005**. All parties submitting comments should provide one original and five paper copies and one electronic copy in a MS Word format on a disk/CD or sent via email to joan.raffety@psc.ne.gov and angela.melton@psc.ne.gov.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 30th day of August, 2005.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director