

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. 911-019/PI-118
Public Service Commission, on)
its own motion, to implement)
provisions of LB 1222 [2006] and) PROGRESSION ORDER NO. 4
to establish a permanent funding)
mechanism for wireless enhanced)
911 service.) Entered: August 23, 2011
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BY THE COMMISSION:

On February 23, 2010, the Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) entered an order pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-465(1)(e) adopting a permanent funding mechanism and process to provide funding for the implementation and provision of enhanced 911 service.

The February 23, 2010, order stated with respect to public safety answer point (PSAP) funding, that once adjustments for pre-existing commitments were made "any funds remaining from the allocation would be paid to the PSAP in equal installments on a monthly basis commencing July, 2010 after receipt of the required application materials..."¹ Similarly, with respect to payments to wireless service providers (WSPs), the Commission stated, "WSP funding amounts calculated by the 911-SAM will be paid directly to the carriers on a monthly basis commencing July, 2010..."² Both PSAPs and WSPs are required to expend the funds received for expenses incurred during the funding year.³

Due to the timing of payment processing in the state accounting system, payments to PSAPs and WSP do not post to their accounts until the last week of a given month. As a result the June payment may not be received in sufficient advance to expend during the fiscal and funding year. As we have previously stated, the implementation of the permanent funding mechanism application and payment process is new and requires some flexibility.

Therefore, the Commission finds that for the current funding year, the remaining due to PSAPs and WSPs will be paid out over the next ten (10) months ending with a payment in May, 2012. No

¹ *In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to implement provisions of LB 1222 [2006] and to establish a permanent funding mechanism for wireless enhanced 911 service, Application No. 911-019/PI-118 at 4 (Feb. 23, 2010).*

² *Id.* at 9.

³ *Id.* at 15.

payment will be received in June, 2012. This change does not affect the total amount to be received during the 2011-2012 funding year. A revised payment schedule is attached hereto as Appendix A and incorporated herein by this reference.

The Commission further finds that for all future funding years payments will be made over an eleven (11) month period ending in May. Money received must be expended prior to June 30th of the end of the funding year.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that that for the current funding year, the remaining due to PSAPs and WSPs will be paid out over the next 10 months ending with a payment in May, 2012.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a revised payment schedule is attached hereto as Appendix A and incorporated herein by this reference. All funds received during the 2011-2012 funding year shall be expended no later than June 30, 2012.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that for all future funding years, payments will be made over an eleven (11) month period ending in May. Money received must be expended prior to June 30th of the end of the funding year.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 23rd day of August, 2011.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Deputy Director

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