

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Alltel) Application No. 911-022.3
Wireless, Little Rock, Arkansas,)
seeking funding approval for) ORDER APPROVING COSTS AND
recurring and non-recurring) INCORPORATING PRIOR DOCKETS
costs of Enhanced Wireless 911)
implementation.) Entered: March 25, 2008

BY THE COMMISSION:

By written request dated May 25, 2006, Alltel Wireless, Little Rock, Arkansas, seeks to amend its funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund to provide enhanced wireless 911 service to the public safety answering points (PSAPs) listed in Appendix A attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference. Specifically, Alltel Wireless seeks approval for costs related to Dixon County effective May 2007 and for Gosper County effective November 2007. Prior to November 2007, Gosper and Dawson Counties were billed together and have since been divided. Finally, for all PSAPs set forth in Appendix A, Alltel Wireless third-party vendor costs for analog, digital or PCS service will be reduced effective immediately due to a reduction in costs to Alltel.

Alltel Wireless seeks initial non-recurring costs and recurring costs to implement and provide enhanced wireless 911 service for the above-listed PSAPs. Initial costs are for data circuits, facility charges, engineering labor, database upgrades, project management and other operations costs. Recurring costs are monthly fees for data circuits, facility charges, ongoing engineering labor, database management and project management.

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

This request for funding is being processed pursuant to *Neb. Rev. Stat.* §§ 86-444 to 86-456 (2006 Cum. Supp.), 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Section 5, and Progression Order No. 5 in Commission Docket No. 911-001, entered July 16, 2002.

As an initial matter, the Commission finds consistent with its order entered in Docket 911-022 on July 18, 2006, that all filings and orders entered in Docket WSP-005 shall be incorporated into the present docket by this reference.

Costs requested in the present funding request are eligible under *Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-86-465(2)(a)* (2006 Cum. Supp.).

All costs have been incurred or will be incurred to implement enhanced wireless 911 service, and may include the

following: (a) the portion of the costs for new equipment used for providing enhanced wireless 911 service; (b) costs to lease another vendor's equipment or services to provide enhanced wireless 911 service; (c) costs to create or maintain any database or database elements used solely for enhanced wireless 911 service; and (d) other costs of establishing enhanced wireless 911 service.

Alltel Wireless has previously submitted an implementation plan in compliance with Commission Docket No. 911-001.

Based upon the request for funding and supporting documentation, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the request for funding should be granted under the following conditions.

The original costs for Alltel Wireless were approved in April, 2003. Dixon County implemented Phase I in May 2007 and Gosper County began to be billed separately as of November 2007. Due to the period of time between the approval of the costs and the implementation date, the Commission finds that payment to Alltel Wireless of implementation charges and recurring monthly charges with respect to Dixon and Gosper Counties, shall be made retroactive to May 2007 and November 2007 respectively at the rate in place at that time.

Attached hereto in Appendix A is a summary of approved funding for Alltel Wireless to be paid from the Fund. All amounts previously approved will be paid according to the amounts set forth in Appendix A as of the effective date of this order. Information set forth in Appendix A shall be treated as proprietary and confidential.

Payment of all recurring charges shall be made in arrears on a quarterly basis. Payment shall be adjusted based upon the number of cell sites reported by Alltel Wireless in its quarterly reports required by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-459 (2006 Cum. Supp.). Payments to Alltel Wireless will no longer be made upon invoice. Any adjustments to costs must be approved by the Commission.

Alltel Wireless shall comply with all reporting requirements set forth in § 86-459. Failure to do so could result in delay or loss of funding or administrative penalties.

The Commission further finds that Alltel Wireless is hereby put on notice that approval of this funding request is made with the understanding that it may be modified in the future

consistent with the permanent funding mechanism established pursuant to LB 1222 [2006].

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Alltel Wireless' request for funding should be granted as outlined herein.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that all future payments made to Alltel Wireless, after the effective date of this order, shall be consistent with Appendix A unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 25th day of March, 2008.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director