

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Gage County,) Application No. 911-023.33
Public Safety Answering Point,)
Beatrice, seeking funding) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
approval for recurring and non-) REQUEST
recurring costs of Enhanced)
Wireless 911 implementation.) Entered: November 24, 2009

BY THE COMMISSION:

By written request for funding received on October 22, 2009, Gage County, Public Safety Answering Point, Beatrice, (Gage County) seeks funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund for expenses for implementing and providing enhanced wireless 911 service.

In its application, Gage County seeks an additional \$2,229.82 in costs due to an increase in pricing for its 911 equipment and the costs of additional wiring necessary for its installation. On June 24, 2008, the Commission entered an order approving non-recurring costs in the amount of **\$99,143.00** for the purchase and installation of equipment for Gage County necessary to implement enhanced wireless 911 service.

Gage County provided supporting documentation for the equipment and associated expenses from its vendor. The Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board considered Gage County's request at its November 2, 2009 meeting and recommended that the Commission approve the request.

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

This request for additional funding is being processed pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-442 to 86-470. (Cum. Supp. 2008), 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Section 5, Progression Order No. 5 in Commission Docket No. 911-001, entered July 16, 2002 and the Interim Policy established in Progression Order No. 1 in Commission Docket No. 911-017/PI-116, entered February 13, 2007 (Interim Policy).

Based upon the request for funding, supporting documentation, and in consideration of the recommendation of the Advisory Board, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that costs requested, subject to the limitations set forth below, are eligible under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-465 as all costs have been incurred or will be incurred for the purchase, installation, maintenance or

operation of telecommunications equipment and telecommunications services required for the provision of enhanced wireless 911 service.

Therefore, the request for funding should be granted in the amount of **\$2,229.82** in non-recurring costs. The Fund shall therefore pay to Gage County the amount of **\$2,229.82** consistent with the terms of this order. Gage County may request that these amounts be paid directly to the vendor.

The Commission reserves the right to modify any costs associated with this funding request consistent with amendments to the Interim Policy or the establishment of a permanent funding mechanism.

If the Nebraska Legislature fails to appropriate or authorize the expenditure of sufficient funds to provide for the payment of costs from the Fund or, if a lawful order issued in or for any fiscal year reduces the funds appropriated or authorized in such amounts as to preclude making the payments from the Fund, the Commission will not be responsible for any costs not reimbursed by the Fund.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund shall pay to Gage County, or its designee, the amount of **\$2,229.82** consistent with the terms of this order.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 24th day of November, 2009.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director