BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of KBRC, Regional)	Application No. 911-023.82
E-911, Keya Paha, Brown,)	
Cherry, and Rock Counties,)	ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
seeking funding approval for)	REQUEST
recurring and non-recurring)	
costs of Enhanced Wireless 911)	
implementation.)	Entered: June 2, 2010

BY THE COMMISSION:

By written request for funding received on May 10, 2010, KBRC Regional E-911 (KBRC) seeks funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund (Fund) for equipment necessary for the implementation and provision of Phase II wireless enhanced 911. KBRC covers Brown, Cherry, Keya Paha and Rock Counties.

In its application, KBRC seeks non-recurring costs totaling \$4,422.64 for the purchase and installation of managed switch routers for wireless links required to connect 911 telephony hardware at its four (4) locations.

The Commission has previously approved funding for equipment and software for KBRC in this docket in an order entered on December 8, 2009. The additional funding requested is in furtherance of that previously approved project.

Additionally, there is an added issue regarding the location of the new equipment for Keya Paha County.

KBRC provided supporting documentation for the equipment and associated expenses from its vendor. The Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board considered KBRC's request at its May 17, 2010 meeting and recommended that the Commission approve payment on the condition that routing tables be provided to the Commission to ensure proper routing of calls between the KBRC locations.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

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 the costs requested, subject to the limitations set forth herein, 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.

The Commission finds that the requirement that KBRC implement enhanced landline 911 service, prior to receiving any wireless funding, be waived. Waiver of this particular requirement is justified under the circumstances and will not adversely affect others.

Therefore, the request for funding should be granted in the amount of \$4,422.64 in non-recurring costs for equipment and software. The Fund shall therefore pay to KBRC, or its designee, the amounts set forth above consistent with the terms of this order. KBRC may request that these amounts be paid directly to the vendor. The amount of funding approved will be deducted from KBRC's total allocation for funding year 2010-11 under the permanent funding mechanism established in Docket 911-019/PI-118.

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 during the term of the contract 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.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the requirement that KBRC implement enhanced landline 911 service prior to receiving any wireless funding, is waived.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund shall pay to KBRC, or its designee, the amount of \$4,422.64 in non-recurring costs for equipment and installation necessary to provide enhanced wireless 911 service with the amount being deducted from KBRC's allocation for funding year 2010-11 as established in Docket 911-019/PI-118.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that upon completion KBRC provide the Commission with call routing tables as recommended by the Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 2nd day of June, 2010.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director