BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska)	Application No. 911-042.16
Public Service Commission, on)	
its own motion, seeking to)	
administer funding for public)	ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION
safety answering points for the)	
implementation and provision of)	
Enhanced Wireless 911 service:)	
Chevenne County.)	Entered: June 14, 2011

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

By written request for funding received on February 18, 2011, Cheyenne County seeks to use its funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund (Fund) for the purchase of recording equipment utilized in provision of Phase II wireless enhanced 911.

The total cost of the equipment is \$20,564.00. Cheyenne County has purchased the equipment and intends to reimburse its landline 911 funds for the portion of the costs attributable to wireless. The Wireless Enhanced 911 Advisory Board approved the merits of the project at its April 25, 2011 meeting, however stated that to the extent the county was seeking any advance of funds for the purchase, that it did not recommend making such advance.

Cheyenne County provided supporting documentation for the equipment, software, and associated expenses from its vendor.

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This request is being processed pursuant to $\underline{\text{Neb}}$. $\underline{\text{Rev}}$. $\underline{\text{Stat}}$. §§ 86-442 to 86-470. (Cum. Supp. 2008) and 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Section 5.

Based upon the application, supporting documentation, and in consideration of the recommendation of the Advisory Board, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the costs, subject to the limitations set forth herein, are eligible under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-465 as a portion of the 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 should be approved. Cheyenne County is entitled to use its allocation for the 2011-2012 funding year and any funds set aside during the previous funding year toward the costs of the equipment in an amount not to exceed its wireless/wireline call ratio. Cheyenne County indicated that it was not seeking any advance of funds to cover the cost.

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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 14th day of June, 2011.

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ATTEST:

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