SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. 911-042.31
Public Service Commission, on)
its own motion, seeking to)
administer funding for public)
safety answering points for the) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
implementation and provision of)
Enhanced Wireless 911 service:)
Thurston County.) Entered: September 12, 2017

BY THE COMMISSION:

On July 11, 2017, Thurston County filed a request to use set aside funds for replacing its obsolete customer premise equipment (CPE) with a new West Viper system from CenturyLink. The total cost of the project that is eligible for funding is \$234,565.80.

The costs are shared costs subject to the wireless/wireline ratio. The wireless ratio for Thurston County for the 2017-2018 funding year is 55% wireless.

The Wireless Enhanced 911 Advisory Board considered the request at its July 31, 2017 meeting and recommended the request be approved.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) adopted the permanent cost model to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service under Docket No. 911-019/PI-118.

The amount eligible for funding using set-aside funds would be up to \$129,011.19 when utilizing the wireless ratio on file with the Commission. However, the total balance available in Thurston County's set-aside account is \$82,129.44. No advance of set-aside funds has been requested.

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 are eligible under NEB. REV. STAT. § 86-465 as 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.

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Based upon the above, the Commission finds that use of setaside funding by Thurston County should be approved in the amount of up to \$82,129.44.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that funding for Thurston County is hereby approved in the amount of up to \$82,129.44.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska this 12th day of September, 2017.

SERVICE COMMISSION

NEBRASKA PUBLIC

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

ATTEST

Executive Director

//s//Frank E. Landis

//s//Tim Schram