

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. 911-042.55
Public Service Commission, on)
its own motion, seeking to)
administer funding for public) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
safety answering points for the)
implementation and provision of)
Enhanced Wireless 911 service:)
Howard County.) Entered: September 18, 2012

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On or about March 30, 2010, the Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) opened the above-mentioned docket, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service pursuant to the permanent funding mechanism.¹

Howard County began receiving interim funding in the amount of \$18,057.04 for the 2012-13 funding year. This amount reflects the deduction of pre-existing commitments totaling \$12,502.79. Interim payments were made with the understanding that any adjustments made as a result of issues being considered in Docket No. 911-019/PI-118² would be retroactive to July 1, 2012.

On September 18, 2012, the Commission entered an order in Docket No. 911-019/PI-118 resolving the outstanding issues resulting in adjustments to PSAP funding.³ Based upon those adjustments and the modification of certain pre-existing payments for some PSAPs, the Commission finds that Howard County is approved for a total funding amount of \$58,421.82 for the 2012-2013 funding year. An adjustment was made in the amount of \$3,283.10 to account for amounts already received for the current funding year. An additional adjustment was made in the amount of

¹ Neb. Admin. Code Title 291, Ch. 15 (July 16, (2011)); *In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to investigate and determine costs eligible for funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-465(2)(b) and (c)*, Application No. 911-054/PI-181, Order Amending List of Eligible Expenses (Apr. 17, 2012).

² *In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to implement provisions of LB 1222 [2006] and to establish a permanent funding mechanism for wireless enhanced 911 service*, Application No. 911-019/PI-118, Order Making Findings, Establishing a Schedule and Setting a Hearing (June 26, 2012).

³ *In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to implement provisions of LB 1222 [2006] and to establish a permanent funding mechanism for wireless enhanced 911 service*, Application No. 911-019/PI-118, Order Adopting Proposal and Releasing Adjusted Payments (Sept. 18, 2012).

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Therefore, Howard County shall receive a total of \$45,098.62 to be paid in monthly installments in the amount of \$5,010.96 for the remaining nine (9) months of the 2012-2013 funding year.

Howard County is required to submit documentation to justify expenditures, including an accounting of funds set aside for future equipment and software purchases, and update contact and other information no later than October 15 following the close of the funding year consistent with Neb. Admin. Code, Title 291, Ch. 15 § 008. If the Commission determines that any funds were not used appropriately, funding for the following funding year will be adjusted to recoup any necessary funds. All PSAPs are subject to audit.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the funding for Howard County is hereby adjusted as set forth herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Howard County must submit required documentation to justify all expenditures with approved funds no later than October 15 following the close of the funding year consistent with Neb. Admin. Code, Title 291, Ch. 15 § 008.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 18th day of September, 2012.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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