

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska ) Application No. 911-042.58  
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: )  
Region 26 Council. ) Entered: May 20, 2014

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 approved under Docket No. 911-019/PI-118.

On April 14, 2014, Region 26 Council (Region 26) filed its application for funding with the Commission pursuant to Docket No. 911-019/PI-118. Region 26 serves areas of Thomas, Blaine, Loup, Garfield, Wheeler, Greeley, Valley, Sherman, counties and Brownlee and Elsmere in South Cherry and Brown Counties including the Nebraska National Forest, Calamus State Reservoir, Sherman Reservoir, Davis Creek Reservoir, Pibel Lake and Lake Ericson. Region 26 is eligible for funding in the amount of up to \$55,235.51 for the 2014-15 funding year.

Region 26 has indicated that it anticipates using the funding provided for costs related to personnel (up to the wireless/wireline ratio), GIS maintenance contract, logging recorders, and telecommunications charges, and plans to set aside up to 75% of its funding for future equipment and software upgrades and purchases.

No prior funding commitments exist.

Based upon the above, the Commission finds that the funding request for Region 26 in the amount of up to \$55,235.51, should be approved consistent with the allocation determined in Docket 911-019/PI-118 paid in monthly installments of \$5,021.41 over eleven months.

Pursuant to Docket 911-019/PI-118, Region 26 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. 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 request for Region 26 is hereby approved as set forth herein in the amount of up to \$55,235.51.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Region 26 submit required documentation to justify all expenditures with approved funds no later than October 15, following the close of the funding year consistent with the terms of the order approving the permanent funding mechanism and process in Docket 911-019/PI-118 entered on February 23, 2010.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

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Chair

ATTEST:

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*Gerald Llop*

*Frank E. Landis*  
Chair

ATTEST:

*Steve Meredith*  
Executive Director

//s//Frank E. Landis