

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. 911-048
Public Service Commission, on)
its own motion, seeking to)
manage and fund intertandem) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
trunking necessary for the)
implementation and provision of)
enhanced wireless 911 service.) Entered: December 21, 2010

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) hereby opens the above-captioned docket, on its own motion, to manage and fund intertandem trunking necessary for the implementation and provision of enhanced wireless 911 service.

The Commission included completion of intertandem trunking as a project to be funded through the ENHANCE 911 Act in Docket No. 911-040/PI-152 approved in an order entered on July 28, 2009. The Commission further determined that matching funds for the project will be provided through the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund.

Pursuant to the July 28, 2009 order, the Commission pursued and was awarded funding for the completion of intertandem trunking between Grand Island and Scottsbluff. The Commission previously approved costs for completion of trunking between Grand Island and Scottsbluff from Qwest in an order entered on June 2, 2010. CenturyLink has provided pricing for the completion of the Scottsbluff trunking. Costs include monthly recurring costs of \$114.00 for a thirty six-month period and non-recurring costs of \$200.00.

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

Based upon the supporting documentation, 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 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 costs as outlined above should be and are hereby approved.

Additional funding for this project is available through the ENHANCE 911 grant program. Any eligible costs should be

paid through the ENHANCE 911 grant program to the extent permitted by law with the remaining matching funds provided through the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund, including any recurring costs.

CenturyLink shall provide a contract setting out the terms of the project and costs consistent with this order.

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.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that funding for the completion of intertandem trunking to Scottsbluff is approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that funding shall be provided through the ENHANCE 911 grant to the extent permitted by law with matching funds provided through the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund, including recurring monthly costs consistent with the terms of the contract provided by CenturyLink.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that CenturyLink shall provide a contract setting out the terms of the project and costs consistent with this order.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 21st day of December, 2010.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director