

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Saline County) Application No. PSAP-029.1
PSAP, Wilber and Crete, seeking)
funding for recurring and non-) GRANTED
recurring costs of Wireless)
E-911 implementation.)
) Entered: October 18, 2005
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BY THE COMMISSION:

By written request for funding received September 30, 2005, Saline County seeks funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund for expenses of implementing and providing enhanced wireless 911 service. The Saline County area is served by one public safety answering point (PSAP) located in Wilber and Crete, Nebraska. Its PSAP will provide enhanced wireless 911 service throughout Saline County. The local exchange carrier serving Saline County's PSAP is Alltel Communications. Saline County's PSAP is served by the following wireless carriers: Alltel Wireless, Western Wireless and Nextel Partners.

Saline County entered into a service agreement with Alltel Communications for enhanced wireless 911 equipment and services. A copy of the agreement is attached to the request for funding. In the agreement, Saline County authorized the Nebraska Public Service Commission to remit all payments for enhanced wireless 911 service to Alltel Communications.

Saline County seeks initial non-recurring costs of \$1,500.00 and monthly recurring costs of \$100.00 per month to implement and provide enhanced wireless 911 service from Nextel. Initial costs are for database upgrades, trunking infrastructure and purchase, installation and testing of circuits for enhanced wireless 911. Recurring costs are monthly fees for database management and for operation and maintenance of trunks and circuits.

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

This request for funding is being processed pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-442 to 86-469 (2004 Cum. Supp.), 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Section 5, and Progression Order No. 5 in Commission Docket No. 911-001, entered July 16, 2002.

Costs requested are eligible under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-465 (2004 Cum. Supp.). All costs have been incurred or will be incurred for the purchase, installation, maintenance and opera-

tion of telecommunications equipment and telecommunications services required for the provision of enhanced wireless 911 service.

Saline County has submitted a PSAP registration in compliance with Commission Docket No. 911-001.

Because Saline County authorized Alltel Communications to receive all payments on its behalf for wireless enhanced 911, the Commission finds that payment should be made to Alltel upon invoice. Only invoices that comport with the approved costs in this order will be paid. Recurring costs requested for partial months must be prorated.

Based upon the request for funding and supporting documentation, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the request for funding should be granted. All costs of Nebraska Universal Service Fund (NUSF) surcharges and any legitimate government-imposed taxes or surcharges assessed on enhanced wireless 911 charges should also be paid. The Commission further finds that the Commission should true-up its subscriber counts and provide wireless cell site information on a quarterly basis and that the Commission should adjust payments for non-recurring and recurring charges accordingly.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the request for funding of Saline County shall be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that upon invoice from Alltel Communications, the Commission shall remit to Alltel Communications amounts that comport with this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any government-imposed taxes or surcharges assessed on enhanced wireless 911 charges shall be paid.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 18th day of
October, 2005.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director