

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Northeast ) Application No. WSP-009.1  
Colorado Wireless, d/b/a Viaero )  
Wireless, Fort Morgan, Colorado, )  
formerly Nebraska Wireless, ) GRANTED  
Grand Island, seeking approval )  
of an additional funding request )  
from Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund. ) Entered: June 22, 2004

BY THE COMMISSION:

By written request for funding received March 21, 2004, Northeast Colorado Wireless, d/b/a Viaero Wireless, Fort Morgan, Colorado, formerly known as Wireless II L.L.C., d/b/a Nebraska Wireless Telephone Company (Nebraska Wireless), Grand Island, seeks funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund to provide enhanced wireless 911 service to the following public safety answering points (PSAPs): Adams, Kimball, Deuel, Lincoln, York, Seward, Cheyenne, Hamilton, Howard, Madison, Hall, Merrick, Buffalo, Keith and Dawson Counties.

The Commission received notice November 2003, of Nebraska Wireless name change due to a sale to Northeast Colorado Wireless, d/b/a Viaero Wireless.

Viaero seeks initial costs of \$34,312.48 and recurring costs of \$8,031.00 per month to implement and provide enhanced wireless 911 service for each of the above-listed PSAPs. Initial costs are for data circuits, facility charges, engineering labor, database upgrades, project management and other operations costs. Recurring costs are monthly fees for data circuits, facility charges, ongoing engineering labor, database management and project management. Viaero stated that said cost resulted from deployment of the GSM technology. Said deployment was necessary to upgrade existing technology.

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This request for funding is being processed pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-2201 to 86-2214 (2001 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. § 86-2210* (2001 Supp.). All costs have been incurred or will be incurred to implement enhanced wireless 911 service, and include the following: (a) the portion of the costs for new equipment used for providing enhanced wireless 911 service; (b) costs to lease another vendor's equipment or services to provide enhanced wireless 911 service; (c) costs to create or maintain any database or database elements used solely for enhanced wireless 911 service; and (d) other costs of establishing enhanced wireless 911 service.

The Commission further finds that the upgrade of existing technology and the attendant cost are reasonable and should be reimbursed.

Nebraska Wireless has submitted an implementation plan in compliance with Commission Docket No. 911-001.

The Commission finds that payment should be made to Viaro 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. Furthermore, Nebraska Wireless should provide to the Commission updated subscriber counts and cell site counts, both on a quarterly basis, and the Commission should adjust payments for non-recurring and recurring charges accordingly.

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.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Viaro Wireless, formerly known as Wireless II L.L.C., d/b/a Nebraska Wireless Telephone Company's request for funding should be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Nebraska Wireless provide to the Commission updated subscriber counts and cell site counts on a quarterly basis, and that payments to Nebraska Wireless shall be adjusted accordingly.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 22nd day of June, 2004.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director