BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska)	Application No. 911-042.25
Public Service Commission, on)	
its own motion, seeking to)	
administer funding for public)	
safety answering points for)	ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
the implementation and)	
provision of Enhanced Wireless)	
911 service: Keith County)	
_)	Entered: August 27, 2019

BY THE COMMISSION:

On November 27, 2018, the Public Service Commission entered an Order approving two requests for the use of set-aside funds by the Keith County ("Keith County") public safety answering point ("PSAP") to purchase equipment and software in order to join the regional network of PSAPs known as the South Central Region. Among the items approved for purchase in the Order was GeoLynx Server software from GeoComm.

On or about July 18, 2019, Keith County submitted a request to use \$15,826.40 of set-aside funds to pay for networking software, including one year of maintenance and support, to connect GeoLynx Server to the PSAP's call handling equipment. The Wireless Enhanced 911 Advisory Board considered the combined request at its July 31, 2019, meeting and recommended that the requested funding, be approved.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

Pursuant to Order adopted by the Commission on October 16, 2018, eligible costs incurred by PSAPs to join a region, such as equipment costs and the first year of multi-year maintenance, support or service agreements, may be fully paid from monies in the 911 Service System Fund, including set aside funds, without applying the wireless/wireline ratio.² However, subsequent PSAP

¹ In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Keith County, Application No. 911-042.25, ORDER APPROVING FUNDING (Nov. 27, 2018)

² In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the

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expenses, such as future years of multi-year maintenance, support or service agreements, and equipment costs incurred after joining a region will remain subject to the wireless/wireline ratio.

Based upon the request for funding, supporting documentation, and in consideration of the recommendation of the Advisory Board, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the costs requested are eligible for funding as costs that have been incurred or will be incurred for the acquisition, installation, maintenance, and operation of telecommunications equipment and telecommunications service required for the provision of 911 service.³ In addition, such costs will be incurred by Keith County to join the South Central Region and are eligible to be paid from set aside funds, without applying the wireless/wireline ratio.

Based upon the above, the Commission finds that use of setaside funding by Keith County should be approved in an amount up to \$15,826.40.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that funding for Keith County is hereby approved in the amount of up to \$15,826.40.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska this $27^{\rm th}$ day of August, 2019

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST

Deputy Director

implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Chase County, Application No. 911-042.50, ORDER APPROVING FUNDING (October 16, 2018).

3 Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-1025(c).