

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska                    ) Application No. 911-024  
Public Service Commission, on                    )  
its own motion, to develop                        )  
policies and process requests                    ) ORDER OPENING DOCKET  
for access to GIS data and the                    )  
GIS Repository.                                    )  
  ) Entered: August 8, 2006

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) hereby opens the above-captioned docket, on its own motion, to develop policies and process requests for access to GIS data and the GIS Repository.

In an order entered on August 30, 2005 in docket No. 911-011/PI-97, the Commission approved the development of proper GIS data and map databases for public safety answering points (PSAPs) or supplementation of existing map databases necessary for Phase II service. The Commission has since approved funding for the development of GIS data for several PSAPs.

On April 4, 2006, the Commission also approved funding for a centralized data repository for the GIS data in order to allow for maintenance of the data and access to the data by individual PSAPs and the Commission.

The Commission has received several informal inquiries from other state agencies regarding whether the GIS data and repository will be available for their use. Additionally, the Commission received a written request dated July 26, 2006 for data from the Nebraska State Patrol.

Several issues arise regarding whether, and under what terms, access to the GIS data and repository may be granted. Therefore, the Commission finds that it shall develop a policy for granting access to the data repository and for use of the data.

Furthermore, all requests for access to the central repository shall be docketed and processed under the present docket. Each applicant will be assigned a specific number under this docket (e.g. 911-024.1, 911.024.2, etc.) All filings made by that applicant will be docketed under that number.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the above-captioned docket be, and it is hereby, opened to develop policies and process requests for access to GIS data and the GIS Repository.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all requests for access to GIS data and the data repository shall be docketed as outlined herein.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 8th day of August, 2006.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director