

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. 911-042.02
Public Service Commission, on)
its own motion, seeking to)
administer funding for public)
safety answering points for the) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
implementation and provision of)
Enhanced Wireless 911 service:)
Dodge County.) Entered: July 10, 2018

BY THE COMMISSION:

On or about May 2, 2018, the Dodge County ("Dodge") public safety answering point ("PSAP") filed a request seeking approval for the use of enhanced wireless 911 set-aside funds to purchase an upgrade of the Dodge VIPER 911 call handling equipment. According to a pricing summary dated March 22, 2018, provided to Dodge by vendor Centurylink, the total cost of the upgrade would be \$13,131.72.

The Wireless Enhanced 911 Advisory Board considered the Dodge request at its May 14, 2018, meeting and recommended that the request be approved.

The costs sought are shared costs subject to the wireless/wireline ratio. The Dodge wireless/wireline ratio for the 2017-2018 funding year is 81% wireless.

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

The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) adopted the permanent cost model to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service under Docket No. 911-019/PI-118.¹

Based upon the request, 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 have been incurred for the purchase, installation, maintenance or operation of telecommunications equipment and telecommunications services required for the provision of enhanced wireless 911 service.²

¹ In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to implement provisions of LB 1222 [2006] and to establish a permanent funding mechanism for wireless enhanced 911 service, Application No. 911-019/PI-118 (Feb. 23, 2010).

² NEB. REV. STAT. § 86-465.

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Pursuant to the permanent funding mechanism, PSAPs are permitted to set aside up to seventy-five percent (75%) of the annual funding amount allocated to that PSAP for the future purchase of equipment and software.³ Dodge presently has a set-aside fund balance of \$109,786.03.

Based upon the above, the Commission finds that the Dodge request to use set-aside funds for the purchase of an upgrade to 911 call handling equipment should be approved in the amount of \$10,636.70, representing 81% of \$13,131.72, based on the wireless/wireline ratio on file with the Commission.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the funding request for the use of set-aside funds by Dodge is hereby approved as set forth herein in an amount not to exceed \$10,636.70.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska this 10th day of July, 2018.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Crystal Luoades

Mary Ridder
Chair

Frank E. Landis

ATTEST:

John Kutz

//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//Mary Ridder

Deputy Director

³ App. No. 911-019/PI-118, supra note 1.