BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska)	Application No. 911-042.13
Public Service Commission, on)	
its own motion, seeking to)	
administer funding for public)	ORDER APPROVING FUNDING,
safety answering points for the)	IN PART
implementation and provision of)	
Enhanced Wireless 911 service;)	
Merrick County.)	Entered: June 28, 2011

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On or about March 30, 2010, the Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) opened the above-mentioned docket, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service pursuant to the permanent funding mechanism approved under Docket No. 911-019/PI-118.

On June 14, 2011, Merrick County filed its application for funding with the Commission pursuant to Docket No. 911-019/PI-118. The deadline for the filing of all applications for funding was April 15, 2011.

Merrick County, which provides services for Merrick County, is eligible for funding in the amount of \$31,420.68 for the 2011-2012 funding year. Merrick County has indicated that it anticipates using the funding provided for the following purposes: equipment upgrade, maintenance, telecommunications costs, and training, and plans to set aside 25% of its funding for future equipment and software upgrades and purchases.

There are no prior funding commitments to be deducted from the allocation. However, the Commission finds that due to the filing of its application two months late, Merrick County's total annual allocation should be reduced in an amount equal to two month's payment in the amount of \$5,236.78. The monthly payments shall be recalculated based upon the reduced annual allocation. Such a reduction is necessary as a matter of fairness to those PSAPs who filed applications in a timely manner.

Based upon the above, the Commission finds that the funding request for Merrick County in the amount of \$26,183.90, should be approved consistent with the allocation determined in Docket 911-019/PI-118.

Pursuant to Docket 911-019/PI-118, Merrick County is required to submit documentation to justify expenditures, including an accounting of funds set aside for future equipment and software purchases, and update contact and other information no later than October 15 following the close of the funding year. If the Commission determines that any funds were not used appropriately, funding for the following funding year will be adjusted to recoup any necessary funds. All PSAPs are subject to audit.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the funding request for Merrick County is hereby approved as set forth herein in the amount of \$26,183.90.

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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this $28^{\rm th}$ day of June, 2011.

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COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

ATTEST:

Chairman

Executive Directo

//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//Tim Schram