

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska ) Application No. 911-042.15  
Public Service Commission, on )  
its own motion, seeking to )  
administer funding for public ) ORDER AMENDING FUNDING  
safety answering points for the )  
implementation and provision of )  
Enhanced Wireless 911 service: )  
Hamilton County. ) Entered: October 16, 2018

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

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 March 22, 2018, the Hamilton County Public Safety Answering Point ("Hamilton County") filed an application for annual 911 funding with the Commission. On May 1, 2018, the Commission approved an annual allocation of 911 funding for Hamilton County in the amount of \$57,893.62 for the 2018-2019 funding year.

On August 1, 2018, the Merrick County Public Safety Answering Point ("Merrick County") informed the Commission that it had ceased answering 911 calls and consolidated its 911 services with Hamilton County, effective July 1, 2018. As a result, Hamilton County now answers and dispatches all 911 calls for Merrick County, and has done so since July 1, 2018.

As of August 1, 2018, Merrick County had \$40,529.78 of its 2018-2019 wireless allotment remaining. Because Merrick County no longer has an operating public safety answering point ("PSAP"), the remaining Merrick County funding allotment for the 2018-2019 funding year should be transferred to Hamilton County and added to the annual funding allocation for Hamilton County.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> In addition, Hamilton County will receive any remaining 911 funds held by Merrick County after making any adjustments that may be required based on the completion of a final audit of the Merrick County accounts. Such amounts will include, without limitation, an amount equal to the \$4,052.98 monthly

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Based on the above, the Commission finds that Merrick County's remaining annual funding allotment for the 2018-2019 funding year in the amount of \$40,529.78, shall be transferred to Hamilton County and added to Hamilton County's annual funding allotment for the 2018-2019 funding year. The funding previously approved for Hamilton County is hereby amended to \$98,423.40. Taking into account the monthly payments already made to Hamilton County for the 2018-2019 funding year, the remaining balance of \$82,634.22 will be paid in monthly installments of \$10,329.27.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the funding amount previously approved for Hamilton County is hereby amended to \$98,423.40 and paid as set forth above.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

*Crystal Knoder*

*Frank E. Landis*  
*Tim Schorn*

//s//Frank E. Landis

//s//Mary Ridder

ATTEST:

*Michael H. HSC*  
Executive Director

allocation distributed to Merrick County for July, 2018, before the Commission was notified that the Merrick County PSAP had ceased operation. See, In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Merrick County, Application No. 911-042.13, ORDER TO CEASE FUNDING (October 16, 2018).