

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska ) Application No. 911-042.19  
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: )  
Saline County. ) Entered: June 22, 2010

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 May 6, 2010, Saline 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 23, 2010.

Saline County, which services the area of Saline County only, is eligible for funding up to \$38,319.25 for the 2010-11 funding year pursuant to the permanent funding mechanism. Crete Police Department, which has not requested funding, provides 911 service to the City of Crete; however, all wireless 911 calls are routed to Saline County.

Saline County has indicated that it anticipates setting aside thirty-percent (30%) of its funding for costs related to GIS. The County also intends to set aside seventy-five percent (75%) of its funding for future equipment and software upgrades and purchases. We assume the County's percentages exceeding one hundred percent are simply a clerical error. Additionally, amounts cannot be set aside in excess of the 75% for future equipment and software upgrades and purchases. Therefore, any money in excess of the 75% that is not spent during the funding year must be refunded to the Wireless Enhanced 911 Fund at the end of that funding year.

Prior funding commitments in the amount of \$4,019.00 were previously approved and must be deducted from the total allocation. Furthermore, the Commission finds that due to the late filing of its application, Saline County's total annual

allocation should be reduced in an amount equal to one month's payment in the amount of \$2,858.35. 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 funding request for Saline County in the amount of \$31,441.90 should be approved consistent with the allocation determined in Docket 911-019/PI-118.

Pursuant to Docket 911-019/PI-118, Saline 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.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the funding request for Saline County is hereby approved as set forth herein in the amount of \$31,441.90.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Saline County submit required documentation to justify all expenditures with approved funds no later than October 15 following the close of the funding year consistent with the terms of the order approving the permanent funding mechanism and process in Docket 911-019/PI-118 entered on February 23, 2010.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 22nd day of June, 2010.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director