

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. 911-042.57
Public Service Commission, on)
its own motion, seeking to)
administer funding for public) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
safety answering points for the)
implementation and provision of)
Enhanced Wireless 911 service:)
City of Alliance.) Entered: July 13, 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 April 23, 2010, the City of Alliance (Alliance) filed its application for funding with the Commission pursuant to Docket No. 911-019/PI-118.

Alliance, which services the areas of Alliance and Box Butte Counties, is eligible for funding in the amount of \$33,806.91 for the 2010-11 funding year. Alliance has indicated that it anticipates using the funding provided for the following purposes: support contracts for 911 hardware and software, support contract for GIS software and map updates, other equipment, software, training and services to assist in provision of wireless 911 service.

Alliance has indicated that it anticipates setting aside 25% of its funding for costs related to GIS and 76% of its funding for future equipment and software upgrades and purchases. We assume that the percentages are a clerical error. 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 \$13,357.85 were previously approved and must be deducted from the allocation.

Based upon the above, the Commission finds that funding request for Alliance in the amount of \$20,448.66 should be

approved consistent with the allocation determined in Docket 911-019/PI-118.

Pursuant to Docket 911-019/PI-118, Alliance 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 the City of Alliance is hereby approved as set forth herein in the amount of \$20,448.66.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Alliance 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 13th day of July, 2010.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director