

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. 911-042.72
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:)
Kearney County.) Entered: May 29, 2013

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 18, 2013, Kearney County filed its application for funding with the Commission pursuant to Docket No. 911-019/PI-118. Applications for funding were due to the Commission on or before April 15. Per the Commission's policy the late filing of an application will result in a deduction of one month's allocation of funding. Such a reduction is necessary as a matter of fairness to those PSAPs who filed applications in a timely manner.

Kearney County, which serves Kearney County with the exclusion of southeast and northwest portions of the county, is eligible for funding in the amount of up to \$49,194.53 for the 2013-14 funding year. Kearney County has indicated that it anticipates using the funding provided for costs of 911 hardware and software maintenance, GIS maintenance, LEC costs and training. Kearney County plans to set aside any remainder of its funding for future equipment and software upgrades and purchases. No prior funding commitments exist; however, a deduction in the amount of \$4,472.23 will be made due to the late filing of the application. The monthly payments will be recalculated based upon the reduced annual allocation.

Based upon the above, the Commission finds that the funding request for Kearney County in the amount of up to \$44,722.30 should be approved consistent with the allocation determined in Docket 911-019/PI-118 paid in monthly installments of \$4,065.66 over eleven months.

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

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the funding request for Kearney County is hereby approved as set forth herein in the amount of up to \$44,722.30.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Kearney 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 29th day of May, 2013.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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Vice Chair

Tim Skram

Bob [unclear]

Gerald L. [unclear]

//s// Frank E. Landis

ATTEST:

Steve Meradith
Executive Director