

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Commission,) Application No. C-3206
on its own motion, to administer)
the Nebraska Internet)
Enhancement Fund.) ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT
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)
) Entered: July 17, 2012

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On January 24, 2012, the Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) awarded a Nebraska Internet Enhancement Fund (NIEF) grant to the Nebraska Cooperative Government (Coop), in the amount of **\$50,000**.

The Coop filed its signed Grant Agreement on February 24, 2012. On May 22, 2012, the Coop filed its three month progress report indicating they were in the initial stages of the Grant Project and hoped to commence the project in the next few weeks. The Coop filed its Notice of Commencement for the Grant Project on July 11, 2012.

In its Notice of Commencement, the Coop opted for a partial payout of grant funds, therefore, pursuant to the Grant Agreement, the Coop is entitled to payment of ten percent (10%) of its grant award upon the submission of its Notice of Commencement and up to another forty percent (40%) of its grant award upon remittance of receipts, supporting invoices, and documentation of actual costs to the Grant Recipient. The Coop included supporting documentation evidencing actual costs exceeding the remaining forty percent (40%) of the grant award with its Notice of Commencement Form. Therefore, pursuant to the Grant Agreement, the Coop is entitled to payment of fifty percent (50%) of its grant award or **\$25,000**. The balance remaining of the grant award totals **\$25,000**.

The Coop has to date not received any grant funds. The Commission finds that a payment of ten percent (10%) of the grant award and the remaining forty percent (40%) of grant award available under the partial payment provisions of the Grant Agreement for a total of **\$25,000** should be made to the Nebraska Cooperative Government. The balance remaining of the grant award totals: **\$25,000**.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that payment in the amount of **\$25,000** in NIEF grant funds shall be made to the Nebraska Cooperative Government.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 17th day of July, 2012.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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//s// Rod Johnson