

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 FINAL  
  ) PAYMENT  
  )  
  ) Entered: July 9, 2013

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 received payment of fifty percent (50%) of its grant award or \$25,000, on July 17, 2012. The balance remaining of the grant award is \$25,000.

On June 28, 2013, the Coop submitted its Final Completion Report and supporting documentation. In the report the Coop requests payment of the remaining funds under the Grant, or **\$24,666.26**. The Commission finds that final payment in the amount of **\$24,666.26** should be made to the Coop.

The Coop shall also submit, pursuant to Section 4.05 of the Grant Agreement, a "Project Impact" report six (6) months from the date of completion of the project, June 19, 2013. The report shall outline the benefits received from individuals, businesses, and community agencies as a result of the Project, the number of individuals, businesses, and community agencies using the services installed and estimates regarding the sustainability and growth of the Project.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Nebraska Cooperative Government shall no later than **December 19, 2013**, submit, pursuant to Section 4.05 of the Grant Agreement, a "Project Impact".

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2013.

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//s//Anne C. Boyle  
//s//Frank E. Landis