

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska Public) Application 911-073 / PI-232
Service Commission, on its own motion,)
to consider recommendations of the)
Service System Advisory Committee)
for creation of a new funding system)
for Next Generation 911.)

POST-HEARING COMMENTS OF UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION

United States Cellular Corporation (“U.S. Cellular”) hereby files these Post-Hearing Comments for the Nebraska Public Service Commission’s (“Commission”) consideration in the above-captioned docket, 911-073 / PI-232. Post-Hearing Comments were permitted by Hearing Officer Schram at the hearing held September 2, 2020.

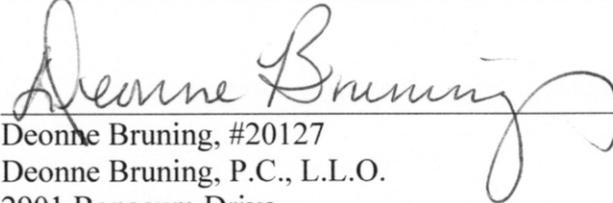
U.S. Cellular filed comments herein June 4, 2020, and files the foregoing comments to reiterate its previous position. That is, U.S. Cellular appreciates and values the 911 cost reimbursement that has been given to the Wireless Service Providers (“WSP”) historically and requests such practice be continued going forward. The WSP program is an incredibly important component of ensuring the delivery of high-quality 911 services in Nebraska. And it is crucial to companies like U.S. Cellular that do not enjoy the efficiencies of scale like that of the largest national wireless providers, such as AT&T and Verizon when it comes to 911 infrastructure.

U.S. Cellular thanks the Commission for seeking input on this subject, and for providing the opportunity to explain the need for continuing the WSP program. With only some companies seeking WSP reimbursement, there may be inaccurate impressions that WSP reimbursement is not needed and can be eliminated, or that other fees recover 911 costs. In fact, with all the technical changes occurring in the delivery of public

safety services, the WSP allocation is more important than ever to facilitate and sustain a reliable and robust 911 system.

Respectfully submitted this 10th day of September 2020

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