BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking comment on the request by United Way of the Midlands to be assigned the use of "211" in Greeley, Loup, Wheeler, Garfield, Furnas, Lincoln, Garden, Keith, Deuel, and Cheyenne Counties, for access to First Call for Help (FCFH), a comprehensive information and referral service.	)	Application No. C-4215/ PI-155 ORDER OPENING A DOCKET Entered: October 14, 2009

BY THE COMMISSION:

On October 5, 2009, the Commission docketed a request by United Way of the Midlands based on a requests from Volunteers of America - Western Nebraska in Lewellen, Nebraska, Community Action Partnership of Mid-Nebraska in North Platte, Nebraska, Furnas County Office of Emergency Management in Beaver City, Nebraska, and the Norfolk Area United Way, Inc. in Norfolk, Nebraska, for use of "211" as the dialing code for First Call for Help (FCFH) services in the following counties in Nebraska: Greeley, Loup, Wheeler, Garfield, Furnas, Lincoln, Garden, Keith, Deuel, and Cheyenne.

The Commission previously assigned "211" to United Way of the Midlands in Dockets C-2621/PI-53, entered on February 20, 2002; C-2732, entered on July 23, 2002; C-3061/PI-75, entered on February 10, 2004; C-3066/PI-76, entered on February 10, 2004; C-3099/PI-77, entered on March 30, 2004; C-3223/PI 81, entered on September 21, 2004; C-3277/PI-88, entered on February 1, 2005; C-3327/PI-90, entered on March 22, 2005; C-3344/PI-92, entered on March 29, 2005; C-3403/PI-95 entered on May 13, 2005; C-3446/PI-100, entered on July 19, 2005; C-3454/PI-103 and C-3464/PI-105, entered on September 21, 2005; C-3489/PI-108, entered on November 8, 2005; C-3505/PI-109, entered on November 29, 2005; C-3869/PI-131 and C-3870/PI-132, entered on December 11, 2007; C-3903/PI-135, entered on March 18, 2008; C-3998/PI-146, entered on February 10, 2009; C-4187/PI-153, entered on August 25, 2009; and C-4192/PI-154, entered on September 15, 2009, for use in numerous counties throughout the state.

First Call for Help, a program of the United Way of Midlands Volunteer Resource Center, is a comprehensive information and referral service.

In order to proceed on this request, this docket will evaluate the public benefits of designating "211" for Greeley, Loup, Wheeler, Garfield, Furnas, Lincoln, Garden, Keith, Deuel,

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and Cheyenne Counties. The Commission will hold a hearing on this matter on a date later if necessary.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that this docket be opened and all interested parties are invited to comment.

MADE AND ENTERED in Lincoln, Nebraska, on this 14th day of October, 2009.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

//s// Frank E. Landis