

# Exhibit 8

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

The Petition of the Kentucky Cable        )  
Telecommunications Association for        )  
a Declaratory Order that the            ) Case No. 2012-00544  
Commission Has Jurisdiction to        )  
Regulate the Pole Attachment Rates,    )  
Terms, and Conditions of Cooperatives )  
That Purchase Electricity from        )  
the Tennessee Valley Authority        )

DEPOSITION FOR PETITIONER

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DEPONENT:     PAUL THOMPSON, CR 30.02(6) Designee of  
                  Tri-County Electric Membership Corporation

TAKEN:         MARCH 13, 2015

REPORTER:     THERESA R. REID

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1 This deposition, under oath, of Paul Thompson was  
2 taken by me, Theresa R. Reid, Notary Public, on March 13,  
3 2015, beginning at approximately 11:15 a.m., Central  
4 Standard Time, at Bowling Green Country Club, 251 Beech  
5 Bend Road, Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101. Said examination  
6 was taken pursuant to Notice, for purposes of discovery,  
7 and as provided by the Kentucky Rules of Civil Procedure.

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1 A. No, I can't say that I do.

2 Q. Okay. Did you review all of these responses?

3 A. I have.

4 Q. Did you review them before you verified them?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Okay. Looking at that paragraph, the second  
7 sentence states, quote, the TVA regulates these rates and  
8 services through the expressed terms of its wholesale Power  
9 Contract with Tri-County. Do you see that?

10 A. Yes, sir.

11 Q. What rates are referred to in that sentence?

12 A. I think they're talking about all rates.

13 Q. What does that mean?

14 A. That would mean our electric rates, our pole  
15 attachment rates, both wholesale and resale -- or, retail on  
16 electric.

17 Q. Okay. Does the wholesale Power Contract that  
18 Tri-County has with TVA specifically refer to pole attachment  
19 rates?

20 A. I think it does.

21 Q. Do you recall where?

22 A. I could probably find it if you have a copy of  
23 it.

24 Q. Uh-huh, I have a copy of it.

25 MR. DEPP: While you're gathering that, I'll go

1 A. Yes, sir.

2 Q. Okay. Do these reports contain information  
3 related to pole attachments?

4 A. Yes, sir.

5 Q. Where?

6 A. Page three, top of the page under operating  
7 revenue, rent from electric property.

8 Q. Okay. And that number includes pole attachment  
9 revenues plus other rents from electric property; is that  
10 right?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Okay. Is this the net number received for pole  
13 attachment revenues?

14 A. Yes, sir.

15 Q. Okay. So, that's the number received for pole  
16 attachment revenues less the amounts that Tri-County has paid  
17 to other pole owners for use of their poles?

18 A. In addition to any other miscellaneous items that  
19 may be there.

20 Q. Right. Is there any other reference in these  
21 reports to pole attachment revenues?

22 A. Not to my knowledge.

23 Q. And is there anyplace where pole attachment costs  
24 are reflected?

25 A. Not to my knowledge.

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I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING PAGES, AND THE STATEMENTS CONTAINED THEREIN (SUBJECT TO CORRECTIONS, ADDITIONS, AND DELETIONS CONTAINED IN THE ADDENDUM ANNEXED HERETO, IF ANY), AND THEY ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

*Paul Thompson*  
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PAUL THOMPSON

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS 30<sup>th</sup> DAY OF March, 2015.  
(Date) (Month) (Year)

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 2 COUNTY OF JEFFERSON )

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 12 supervision; and that said typewritten transcript is a  
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 14 ability and understanding; and that there was a request  
 15 that the witness read and sign the deposition.

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 17 marriage to any of the parties hereto and that I have no  
 18 interest in the outcome of the captioned matter.

19 My Commission as a Notary Public expires February  
 20 17, 2016.

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 22 2015, at Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky.

23 *Theresa Reid*

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