



Administrative Regulations Working Group
Kentucky Public Service Commission
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RE: Pole Attachment Regulations

To the Kentucky Public Service Commission:

Please accept this letter of support for the continuation of discussion and action to streamline the current pole attachment regulations in order quickly bring broadband services to Kentuckians.

The mission of the Foundations is to address the unmet health needs of Kentuckians by developing and influencing policy, improving access to care, reducing health risks and disparities, and promoting health equity. While it may seem, the Foundation is only interested in quality broadband to achieve successful telehealth services in rural Kentucky, we believe getting communities easy access to broadband will have a larger impact on health and wellbeing of Kentuckians. Quality accessible broadband supports education, economic development, job access, and community engagement, all of which are considered determinants of health.

We at the Foundation are interested in improving the determinants of health for all Kentuckians. Swift, but careful, action for common sense pole attachment regulations with the interest of Kentuckians is big step in the right direction. Therefore, we support changes in Kentucky's procedures, laws, and regulations designed to streamline the permit and make-ready process of attaching broadband cable to existing utility poles across the Commonwealth.

Sincerely,

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