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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**COMCAST CABLE COMMUNICATIONS,
INC., a Pennsylvania corporation,**

Docket No. 03 035 28

Claimant,

vs.

**PACIFICORP, dba UTAH POWER, an
Oregon corporation,**

Respondent.

DEPOSITION OF JOHN CARDOVA

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1 new circuit design or power upgrade?

2 A. The--at one point when cable TV first
3 came through the area, the Davis County area.

4 Q. When was that, roughly?

5 A. Early '80s.

6 Q. Early '80s.

7 A. Maybe '81, something like that. The
8 early '80s anyway.

9 They came in and said, we want to be on
10 these poles. I would essentially go out and do
11 the walkout and see if they could physically
12 attach to those poles.

13 Q. And how did--how did that normally
14 occur? And when I say normally occur, was this
15 the first time that cable started to build in the
16 area that you were familiar with?

17 A. Yes. It was at least in the Davis
18 County area, yes, it was.

19 Q. In Davis County, okay.

20 And you would be approached by whom for
21 permission to come on the poles?

22 A. Typically they had a person that was
23 their--I'll say coordinator. That wasn't their
24 title. But they would come to us with maps,
25 specific maps, and this item they called--that was



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1 part of the contract in those days called an
2 Exhibit A. Said, "We want to attach to these
3 poles." We drive it out and...

4 Q. Would there be a map attached to the
5 Exhibit A, for example?

6 A. There was. There was a map with it.

7 Q. And were these employees of the cable
8 company or were they contractors working for the
9 cable company or both?

10 A. I--I don't know for sure. I would
11 assume they are both. I know one person was an
12 employee for sure. I don't...

13 Q. Who was that?

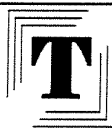
14 A. His name was Kim Thadell. Kim Thadell.
15 Yeah.

16 Q. Do you know whether any of those people
17 that you dealt with from the cable companies back
18 then are still around? And I'm talking
19 the--probably the early 1980's time frame, the
20 initial build period?

21 A. Not that I'm aware of. They have
22 changed companies several times.

23 Q. I've heard.

24 A. Yeah. This was the original TCI. Kim
25 Magness was another one, and he was a family



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1 member of the owner or something like that.

2 (Discussion off the record.)

3 Q. And Kim Magness was one of the
4 individuals that you dealt with?

5 A. He was. He was. We would meet in the
6 field, things like that.

7 Q. And you would walk out the pole lines
8 with--

9 A. At times we did it together, yeah, or--
10 or I would give them an estimate, give them a
11 design, and then we would walk it out afterwards,
12 just to clarify.

13 Q. And then what--what would happen after
14 you had walked out, after you had walked out the
15 pole line after receiving the applications? Let
16 me rephrase. You look confused.

17 A. Okay.

18 Q. They would come to you with an Exhibit
19 A with a map attached, and then you would walk
20 out the pole line with the cable representative.

21 A. Or do it by myself, correct.

22 Q. Or by yourself.

23 And what would you be looking for when
24 you had the--the map and the Exhibit A, when you
25 were doing the walkout?



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1 A. Well, basic clearance. Clearance from
2 the ground, clearance from power lines, you know,
3 the very obvious things. I don't know the
4 clearance requirements from the '80s, but I always
5 had a cheat sheet with me. I didn't have to know
6 them. I carried--I carried all the tools I
7 needed.

8 So I would measure, do all the
9 measurements, and when I was done with that, do
10 the design, you know, redesign it. We would
11 essentially show them their portion of the cost,
12 they would pay it, we would do the construction.
13 We would move on to the next project.

14 Q. And would you go--would you go and give
15 them a piece of paper back that would say, "Okay
16 to attach on this pole at 24 feet, okay to attach
17 on this pole or. . ."

18 A. Not--not at heights, no.

19 Q. No?

20 A. No, we would just give them clearance
21 to attach.

22 Q. Were the poles--were the poles crowded
23 back then, or was it pretty much just power and
24 maybe some telephone up there?

25 A. It was--it was power and some



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