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## DESIGN OF POIE LINES

Purpose: This addendum is issued to: (1) revise Table 4 to reflect the elimination of Figure 8 distribution wire in the l2-pair size, (2) revise Table 5 in accordance with PE-38, REA Specification for Figure 8 Cable, to reflect replacement of the 0.148-inch solid integral support messenger with a $3 / 16$-inch, 7 -wire strand EHS galvanized steel integral support messenger, (3) establish Table 6 to provide the information previously included for lashed cable in Table 4. Addendum No. 3 replaces Addenda Nos. 1 and 2.

TABLE 4

APPROXIMATE EQUIVAIENTS OF FIGURE 8 DISTRIBUTION WIRE IN NUMBERS OF 0.109 INCH DIAMETER BARE LINE WIRES FOR USE IN CALCULATING TRANSVERSE LOADS ON POLES

FIGURE 8 DISTRIBUTION WIRE

| Pair/Support Wire | Storm Loading District |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Heavy | Medium | Light |
| 1/0.109" or $0.134^{\prime \prime}$ | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| $3 / 0.109^{\prime \prime}$ or $0.134^{\prime \prime}$ | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| 6/0.109" or $0.134^{\prime \prime}$ | 2 | . | 2 |

APPROXIMATE EQUIVALENTS OF FIGURE 8 CABLE IN NUMBERS OF 0.109 INCH DIAMETER BARE LINE WIRES FOR USE IN CALCULATING TRANSVERSE LOADS ON POLES

| FIGURE 8 CABLE | EQUIVALENT NUMBER OF WIRES |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Storm Loading District |  |  |
| Messenger Pair/Gauge | Heavy | Medium | Light |
| 6/19 | 2 | 2 | 8 |
| 12/19 | 2 | 4 | 8 |
| 3/16-Inch 18/19 | 2 | 4 | 10 |
| 6/22 | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| 7-Wire Strand 12/22 | 2 | 2 | 8 |
| 18/22 | 2 | 4 | 8 |
| EHS Steel 25/22 | 2 | 4 | 8 |
| 6/24 | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| 12/24 | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| 18/24 | 2 | 2 | 8 |
| 25/24 | 2 | 4 | 8 |
| 50/24 | 2 | 4 | 10 |
| 25/19 | 2 | 4 | 10 |
| 1/4-Inch $\quad 50 / 19$ | 4 | 4 | 14 |
| 75/19 | 4 | 4 | 16 |
| 7-Wire Strand 50/22 | 2 | 4 | 10 |
| 75/22 | 2 | 4 | 12 |
| EHS Steel 100/22 | 4 | 4 | 14 |
| 75/24 | 2 | 4 | 10 |
| 100/24 | 2 | 4 | 12 |
| 150/24 | 4 | 4 | 14 |
| 200/24 |  | 4 | 16 |
| Note: REA recommends that no poles smaller than class 9 be used for supporting Figure 8 cables having 18 pairs or less; and that no poles smaller than class 7 be used for supporting Figure 8 cables having 25 pairs or more. A margin of strength of 1.33 should be used in selecting the class pole to be used for supporting all Figure 8 cables. The relatively large number of subscribers served from cable is considered as justification for these requirements. |  |  |  |
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## TABLE 6

APPROXIMATE EQUIVALENTS OF CABLE LASHED TO 6M OR IOM SUSPENSION STRAND IN NUMBERS OF 0.109 INCH DIAMETER BARE LINE WIRES FOR USE IN CALCULATING TRANSVERSE LOADS ON POLES

| CABIE | EQUIVAIENT NUMBER OF WIRES |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diameter, Excluding Strand | Storm Loading District |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| 0.5 inch | Heavy | Medium | Light |
| 0.75 inch | 2 | 4 | 8 |
| 1.0 inch | 2 | 4 | 12 |
| 1.25 inch | 4 | 4 | 14 |
| 1.5 inch | 4 | 4 | 16 |
| 1.75 inch | 4 | 4 | 18 |
| 2.0 inch | 4 | 6 | 20 |
| 2.25 inch | 4 | 6 | 22 |
| 2.5 inch | 4 | 6 | 24 |

Note: Diameters stated are for cable only. However, the equivalent number of bare wires is based on the cable diameter plus the strand diameter. For example, a cable 0.5 inch in diameter lashed to a 6 M or lOM strand when storm loaded equates approximately to 2 bare 0.109inch diameter wires when these are storm loaded, in either the heavy or medium loading districts.

