

**Exhibit 8—Certification of Referendum – Regular Referendum (Section 218(d)(3))**

This certification form is suggested for the regular referendum under Section 218(d)(3) of the Act.

Where a certification is made by a State official designated by the Governor, the introduction should read: "Pursuant to authority vested in me for this purpose by the Governor of the State of \_\_\_\_\_ under the date of \_\_\_\_\_, this is to certify that . . ."

If a referendum was held among all members of a statewide retirement system which is applicable to a number of political entities, the names of the political entities need not be given in the certification.

If a previous referendum has been held in the same retirement system, the last paragraph of the certification should read: "The last previous referendum on the question of \_\_\_\_\_ was held on (date)."

**Exhibit 8--Certification of Referendum--Section 218 (d)(3) of the Act.**

State of \_\_\_\_\_

This is to certify that--

(a) A referendum by secret ballot was held on (*date*) on the question of whether services of employees of ("*the State*" if *State employees are involved, name of political subdivision, or interstate instrumentality*) in positions covered by (*name of retirement system*) should be excluded from or included under the agreement entered into on (*date of original agreement*) by the State of \_\_\_\_\_, and the Commissioner of Social Security pursuant to Section 218 of the Social Security Act;

(b) An opportunity to vote in such referendum was given, and was limited to eligible employees (as defined in Section 218(d) of such Act) of such system;

(c) Not less than ninety days' notice of such referendum was given to all such employees;

(d) Such referendum was conducted under the supervision of (*name of agency or individual*) duly designated by the undersigned (or Governor of the State) to conduct such referendum; and

(e) A majority of the eligible employees voted in favor of including services of employees of in positions covered by (*name of retirement system*) under the agreement entered into on (*date*) by the State of \_\_\_\_\_, and the Commissioner of Social Security pursuant to Section 218 of the Social Security Act.

No referendum has previously been held in this political subdivision on the question of whether services in positions covered by (*name of retirement system*) should be excluded or included under the agreement entered into an (*date of original agreement*) by the State of \_\_\_\_\_, and the Commissioner of Social Security pursuant to Section 218 of the Social Security Act.

Done this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Governor (or Title of Designated Official)