

**Section 16700- TELECOMMUNICATIONS****Part 1 - General**

- 1.1 The scope of this project includes providing all material and labor to install a complete telecommunication system. The systems shall include riser cables, station wiring, terminations, and termination devices and grounding.
- 1.2 In any case where the specifications or drawings are not perfectly clear to contractors submitting a proposal, it is the responsibility of the contractor to obtain clarification from UITS-Infrastructure Services Engineering. The drawings are diagrammatic and are not complete in every detail. The contractor shall be responsible for determining how to perform all indicated work included in the scope of the project and shall not make any additional charges for any work or material required for a complete installation. The drawings and specifications are complementary, and what is called for on one shall be binding as if called for by both.
- 1.3 Coordinate size and location of telecommunications rooms with the architect to be in compliance with this document and NEC Article 800.
- 1.4 For projects which require "Blue Light" emergency phones, refer to Section 16705, Blue Light Phones.
- 1.5 Refer to project plans and specifications for grounding and power requirements.

**1.6 General Requirements**

- 1.6.1 Codes & License Compliance: The completed installation shall be in compliance with all applicable electrical and fire codes and ordinances, the Williams-Steiger Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, and University Standards.
- 1.6.2 Telecommunications contractor must have a current State of Arizona L67 Low Voltage Communications Systems license (or other State of Arizona equivalent), have held the license for a minimum of 4 years, and be a Panduit Certified Installer. Only contractors approved by UITS-Infrastructure Services Engineering will be permitted to perform telecommunications installation work on campus.
- 1.6.3 New & Listed Materials: All materials shall be new and shall be listed as being suitable for the purpose by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. or equivalent testing agency known to and approved by the University.
- 1.6.4 Workmanship: All work shall be executed according to these specifications in a workmanlike manner and shall present a neat mechanical appearance when complete.
- 1.6.5 Quality Assurance: At least one person directly employed by the prime contractor shall be on site daily to monitor the daily activities of workers to assure the quality of the work performed.
- 1.6.6 Acceptance Inspection: All work must pass functional and workmanship inspections prior to acceptance. The contractor shall make all required corrections, at no additional cost, before the system is put into service.
- 1.6.7 Clean up & Repair: Contractor shall be responsible for cleanup and repair of job site. Damaged false ceilings, pencil or chalk marks, hand prints, gouges and tool makers, plaster dust, etc. shall be repaired, cleaned, removed, or painted as required. Penetrated fire barriers shall be resealed in an approved manner.
- 1.6.8 Submittal: (5 copies required). Complete materials lists, manufacturer's literature, required drawings, and other required information shall be submitted for approval no less than 10 working days before such materials are required to be ordered for the work. UITS-Infrastructure Services Engineering must approve submittal prior to starting the installation.

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- 1.6.9 Submit through the Construction Project Manager.
- 1.6.10 Guarantee: Upon completion of the work and acceptance by the University, the contractor shall submit his warranty effective for one year guaranteeing to replace without additional cost to the University any work or material which is found to be defective within the warranty period.
- 1.6.11 Structured Cabling System Warranty: upon request of UITS, contractor shall provide a 15 year Panduit Certification Plus System Warranty covering the performance of the connectivity hardware and cable used in the structured cabling system.
- 1.6.12 As-Built Drawings & Documents: The contractor shall maintain daily up to date specifications and drawings. The contractor shall submit to UITS-Infrastructure Services a complete set of As-Built drawings showing the location and identification number of all jacks installed as part of the project. As-Built drawings shall be submitted in both hard-copy and AutoCAD format.
- 1.6.13 Changes: No changes shall be made from the work as called for by these specifications and drawings, except by a written order approved by the Construction Project Manager and UITS- Engineering.
- 1.6.14 Splicing: All cable splicing must be done by a qualified cable splicer, with a minimum of 5 years experience splicing large pair count copper cables. The cable splicer's name and qualifications must be submitted to UITS- Engineering for verification and approval prior to any splicing work. Provide a minimum of 48 hours advance notice to UITS- Engineering prior to performing any splicing to existing campus cabling infrastructure.
- 1.6.15 Grounding for telecommunications systems and equipment shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of the most recent version of the National Electrical Code, and with The University of Arizona DSS Manual Specification Section 16450.
- 1.6.16 Equipment shall be installed in such a manner that it does not impede the spray pattern of fire sprinkler heads.

### 1.7 Telecommunications Room Requirements

- 1.7.1 Install floor tile or seal the concrete floor to avoid dust.
- 1.7.2 The minimum recommended ceiling height is 8 feet, 6 inches. Telecom rooms shall not have lift-out type ceilings.
- 1.7.3 When ceiling distribution systems are used, design the telecom rooms with adequate conduit or openings through beams or other obstructions into the accessible ceiling space.
- 1.7.4 Design doorway opening with a minimum opening of 3 ft. wide and 6 ft. 8 inches high, and doors shall be hinged to open outwards.
- 1.7.5 Locate the telecom rooms in areas above the threat of flooding.
- 1.7.6 Provide a No. 6 AWG minimum ground wire in each closet. Terminate ground wire to a 6 inch copper buss bar which has provisions for additional ground connections.
- 1.7.7 Design lighting to provide a minimum equivalent of 50 foot candles measured at 1 meter AFF.
- 1.7.8 Telecom rooms shall be equipped with Cat Card swipe access and keyed to the restricted campus telecommunications key plan, accessible only to personnel authorized by UITS.
- 1.7.9 If possible locate riser closet in the center of the building or within 150 feet of each tenant space. Multiple riser telecom rooms may be required on each floor.
- 1.7.10 In a multi-floor building the telecom rooms shall be aligned vertically. Locate telecom rooms so building structure beams and other trades equipment does not interfere with placing riser sleeves/conduits within six inches from wall.
- 1.7.11 Minimum size for floor (IDF) telecom rooms shall be 9 ft. x 11 ft. Larger sizes may be required for high density applications (more than 300 jacks).
- 1.7.12 Minimum size for main (BET) Building Entrance room shall be 10 ft. x 12 ft. Larger sizes may be required if a large number of telecom rooms are served from the BET, if the BET is also used as an IDF with more than 300 jacks, or if the BET serves more than one building.
- 1.7.13 Line all walls with 3/4 inch, 4 ft. X 8 ft., C-D plugged grade plywood. Plywood shall be

- treated on all sides with at least two coats of fire resistant paint (white), or shall be fire-rated. The fire-rating label on the plywood shall be left visible. Install plywood 6" above finished floor and extend up to 8'-6" high
- 1.7.14 Provide a minimum of one 20A/120V duplex receptacle on each wall of each telecommunications room. Provide a minimum of two 20A/208V L6-20R and one 30A/208V L6-30R receptacles in each telecommunications room. In telecommunications rooms containing more than 192 station cable terminations, provide two additional 20A/208V L6-20R and one 30A/208V L6-30R receptacles. NOTE: In buildings with emergency generator systems, half of the 120V equipment outlets, half of the 20A/208V outlets, and all the 30A/208V outlets are to be connected to the building emergency power system.
  - 1.7.15 Telecom rooms shall be provisioned with Uninterruptible Power Supplies (UPS). In buildings with emergency generator backup, battery run time for UPS units shall be a minimum of 20 minutes. In buildings without generator backup, battery run time shall be a minimum of 60 minutes. In telecom rooms where the design load for the network equipment exceeds 5000W, UPS units shall be hard-wired, permanent facilities type units installed by a licensed electrical contractor.
  - 1.7.16 Entrance conduits to the BET from the outside point of connection to campus cable plant shall consist of a minimum of (4) 4 inch conduits. One of the four conduits shall be filled with (4) 1" innerducts.
  - 1.7.17 Locate riser sleeves/slots on the immediate left side of the closet. This will enhance the use of wall space from left to right. Riser sleeves/slots shall be aligned vertically from floor to floor. Riser sleeves/slots shall be: (4) 4 inch sleeves or 4 in. by 16 in. slots. Additional sleeves may be required in large buildings. All riser sleeves shall have bushings installed for cable protection. Sleeves shall extend 4 inches AFF.
  - 1.7.18 Telecom rooms shall be dedicated to telecommunications equipment and shall not be used as a passageway to other utility rooms. Energy management systems, fire alarm, sound systems, and HVAC control systems equipment shall not be located in the telecommunications closet.
  - 1.7.19 Telecom rooms are not to be used for HVAC piping (other than for equipment located in the room serving the room), plumbing piping, fire sprinkler piping, or electrical riser systems.
  - 1.7.20 Telecom rooms shall not be used for materials storage or for storage of janitorial equipment.
  - 1.7.21 User equipment requiring an attendant, monitoring, or frequent attendance shall not be placed in telecommunications rooms. Fire alarm control panels, energy management panels and other equipment requiring access by trades other than telecommunications shall not be located in telecom rooms. Electrical circuit breaker panels shall not be located in telecom rooms unless the panels are dedicated to the telecom equipment in that room. Servers and other local area network equipment not maintained and managed by UITS shall not be located in telecommunications rooms.
  - 1.7.22 All telecommunications rooms shall be served by the building HVAC system. Temperature in telecommunications rooms that will house active equipment shall be maintained within the range of 64 to 81 degrees F, at not more than 60% relative humidity. Telecommunications rooms shall have dedicated environmental controls, providing conditioning 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
  - 1.7.23 Telecommunications rooms shall be sized and laid out in such a manner that there is a minimum of 3 ft. clearance in front of all telecommunications equipment, cross connect fields, patch panels, etc.

## Part 2 - Description of Work

### 2.1 Telecom Room Build-Out:

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- 2.1.1 Vertical cable runs are to be supported at a maximum of 5 ft. centers. Horizontal cable runs are to be supported at a maximum of 3 ft. centers.
- 2.1.2 Horizontal station cable terminations shall be marked with final University room numbers. Obtain entry cable and riser cable pair count information from UITS Engineering.
- 2.1.3 Metal closed loop D-rings (2, 4, and 6 inch as required) shall be installed in quantities sufficient to produce an orderly quality cable and wire installation for vertical runs within telecommunications rooms (note that D-rings are not an acceptable means of horizontal cable support). Distributing posts are not acceptable.
- 2.1.4 Cables shall be routed in such a way as to minimize interference with cross connect wiring and future equipment additions. Entrance cable shall be routed to and terminated to the bottom group of termination blocks. Horizontal distribution cables shall be routed to and terminated to the top group of termination blocks.
- 2.1.5 Cable management D-rings, brackets, and horizontal and vertical cable managers shall be installed to maintain an orderly appearance for cable or wires running between backboards or to common equipment.
- 2.1.6 Riser cable splice cases are not considered part of a TTB, and shall be located so as not to interfere with backboards or common equipment.
- 2.1.7 All wall mounted equipment shall be securely fastened to the TTB/DTB. Suspension by connection to other equipment is not acceptable.
- 2.1.8 Complete telecommunication room layout drawings shall be included as part of the project submittal. Layout shall be designed to allow all four walls of the telecommunications room to be used for mounting telecommunications equipment.
- 2.1.9 Equipment racks, cable runway and other conductive equipment shall be grounded with a minimum #6 AWG connection to the ground bus in each telecom room. Free standing equipment racks (two post and four post) shall be provided with an equipment rack grounding strip and ESD port. Grounding connections shall be made using two-hole compression lugs.
- 2.1.10 When ceiling distribution systems are used, design the telecom rooms with adequate conduit or openings through beams or other obstructions into the accessible ceiling space.
- 2.1.11 Provide fire stopping for all floor penetrations and all penetrations of fire rated walls/partitions occupied by telecommunications cabling. Fire stopping of existing sleeves/penetrations shall be made using caulk or putty type materials. All new fire-rated sleeves/penetrations shall be made using re-enterable type sleeves. Fire stopping materials shall be UL listed, and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation requirements.

### 2.2 Entrance Cabling:

- 2.2.1 Copper entrance cabling shall be PE-39, Type ANMW, ASP, filled, direct burial, #24 AWG solid conductor, with REA color code.
- 2.2.2 Splice cases and/or closures shall be provided for copper entrance cabling as required, with prior-approval by submittal required. Provide transition splice to non-filled cable prior to building entrance termination.
- 2.2.3 Copper entrance cabling shall be provided with station protectors installed in accordance with NEC 800 requirements.
- 2.2.4 Ground entrance cable shield to an approved provable ground as close to the entrance as possible in accordance with NEC requirements.
- 2.2.5 Terminal blocks shall be permanently marked with pair count numbers for entry cable terminations.
- 2.2.6 Optical fiber entrance cables shall be singlemode 8.2/125 Micron, 900 Micron buffered, OS2 rated.
- 2.2.7 Entrance fiber shall be terminated on a rack mount enclosure. In buildings with legacy ST connectors, new connectors shall be ST. In new buildings, or buildings without legacy optical fiber, new connectors shall be LC.

- 2.2.8 Optical fiber cable construction: provide indoor/outdoor riser rated cable for building entrance cables that are run to a splice case within 300 ft. of the building entrance. For backbone cables traversing more than 300 ft. of outside duct and/or tunnel pathway, cable shall be single armor, double jacket. All outside plant optical fiber cables shall be gel-free, with loose tube construction.
- 2.2.9 Minimum strand count for optical fiber entrance cables shall be 24 strands per building.
- 2.2.10 Ground entrance cable shield to an approved provable ground as close to the entrance as possible in accordance with NEC requirements.
- 2.2.11 All optical fiber cable splicing shall be done using the fusion splice method.
- 2.2.12 All optical fiber connectors shall be hot melt in legacy environments; new installations shall utilize fusion spliced pigtails or fusion-splice connectors. Mechanical ("cam") type connectors are not acceptable.

### 2.3 Riser Cabling:

- 2.3.1 Fiber Optic Riser Cable shall be OFNR or OFNP, tight buffered.
- 2.3.2 Legacy installations: in buildings with existing 62.5 micron cabling, new multimode riser cabling shall be 62.5/125 micron, with minimum guaranteed gigabit Ethernet performance distance of 300m at 850nm and 550m at 1300nm, with ST hot melt connectors. Singlemode shall be 8.2/125 micron, 900 micron, OS2 rated, with Corning SMF28e glass, with ST hot melt connectors.
- 2.3.3 New installations: in buildings without existing legacy optical fiber cabling, new multimode riser cable shall be 50 micron, OM4 rated, LC connectors. New singlemode riser cable shall be OS2 rated, with LC connectors. Connectors shall be fusion splice-on type, or factory terminated fusion splice pigtails.
- 2.3.4 Provide a minimum strand count of 12MM/12SM to each telecom room on the riser.
- 2.3.5 Optical fiber riser cables shall be terminated on a rack mounted enclosure, unless specifically noted otherwise on project plans and specifications.
- 2.3.6 Multi-pair copper riser cable shall be shielded, type ARMM, 24AWG, solid conductor, Cat. 3 rated, terminated on 110 blocks.
- 2.3.7 Where specified, four pair copper riser cable shall be Cat. 6 rated, as specified for Cat. 6 station cabling, terminated on patch panels.

### 2.4 Station Wiring:

- 2.4.1 Provide a quad frame for each outlet, with blank inserts provided for unused openings. HORIZONTAL STATION WIRING MUST BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH EIA/TIA-568C HORIZONTAL WIRING DISTANCE SPECIFICATIONS. The maximum horizontal cable length shall be 90 meters (295 ft). This is the cable length from the mechanical termination of the media in the telecommunications closet to the telecommunications outlet in the work area. The distance maximum includes all wiring that is part of the horizontal wiring. Provide 12 in. of cable slack at each outlet, plus an additional 10 ft. of slack in the telecommunications room, neatly arranged in a loop.
- 2.4.2 Station wiring and termination equipment shall be rated Category 6 for all new construction or in existing facilities where the predominant cabling is Category 6. In existing facilities where the predominant cabling is Category 5e or older, Category 5e wiring and termination equipment shall be provided unless specifically noted otherwise in the project plans and/or specifications.
- 2.4.3 Station cable shall be 4 pair, solid conductor, REA color code, plenum rated, UL Listed type "CMP" w/FEP insulation. Cable must comply with EIA/TIA 568C.
- 2.4.4 Station cabling for outdoor installations where the cable is in conduit that is not concrete encased shall be a flooded type cable, and shall be provided with protector modules at both ends where required by code.

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- 2.4.5 Outlet jack shall be an eight position modular jack meeting the specifications of FCC Regulations Part 68.500. All jacks shall be wired according to the T568B wiring schematic.
- 2.4.6 Station cable must not be spliced. Cable runs are to be direct home runs to the IDF and shall not pass through any other station outlet box. The cable bend radius for station cabling shall not be less than four times the outside diameter of the cable.
- 2.4.7 Install cables in conduit, and raceways as specified and supplied and installed by the electrical contractor. All conduits and sleeves shall have insulated bushings installed to protect wire and cables from damage. Installed cables shall not be bundled together.
- 2.4.8 Station cable and wiring shall comply with EIA/TIA 568C, standards. (UTP Category 6 or 5e)
- 2.4.9 Install and terminate fiber optic cable station cabling where specifically indicated in the project plans and/or specifications.

**2.5 Wiring Practices:**

- 2.5.1 Station cables shall terminate on a rack mounted patch panel, in a single unified field (no separate voice and data fields). Terminations performed in existing locations without patch panels may utilize 110 style terminations unless the project plans and/or specifications specifically require patch panel installation.
- 2.5.2 Station cables serving wireless access points shall be grouped together in a given IDF, occupying the last (bottom) positions in a patch panel or 110 block.
- 2.5.3 Wireless access points in hard ceiling areas shall be mounted to a 4" square outlet box, using the manufacturer's mounting plate best suited to minimize the gap between AP and ceiling.
- 2.5.4 Wireless access points in lift-out ceiling areas shall be mounted to the ceiling grid using the manufacturer's ceiling grid clips best suited for the type of grid (recessed or flush). The access points shall be mounted at grid intersection points. An independent means of support (e.g., seismic support wire) shall be run from the building structure above to each access point. Cables for wireless access points shall be terminated on the station end with a female modular jack (not a male RJ-45 plug) to allow standards-compliant permanent link testing.
- 2.5.5 Cable and wire above ceiling shall be run parallel or perpendicular to the walls. Diagonal runs will not be accepted. Riser cables shall be run parallel to riser system. Do not install cables in close proximity to fixtures or equipment that may cause RFI or EMI. To reduce the effects of EMI, the following minimum distances shall be adhered to:
  - 5" from power lines of 2kVA or less.
  - 18" from high voltage lighting (including fluorescent).
  - 39" from transformers, motors, and power lines of 5kVA or greater
- 2.5.6 Cables and wire shall not be attached to conduit, pipes, ceiling grid/hanger wire, light fixture hangers, HVAC duct work, etc.
- 2.5.7 All horizontal UTP cable shall be pulled by hand. During pulling operation, an adequate number of workers shall be present to allow cable observation at all points of raceway entry and exit, as well as the point at which cable is "payed out" from the box or reel, and around corners.
- 2.5.8 Pull cables in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations and ANSI/IEEE C2 Standards. Manufacturer recommendations shall be part of cable submittal. Recommended pulling tensions and bend radius shall not be exceeded. Any cables bent or kinked to radius less than recommended dimensions are not allowed and shall be replaced at no expense to the owner.
- 2.5.9 Cables that show signs of being bent or kinked beyond recommendations then straightened are also not allowed and shall be replaced at no expense to the owner.
- 2.5.10 Cables that show damage to the jacket in any manner shall be replaced at no expense to the owner.

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- 2.5.11 Cable and wire above ceiling shall be suspended from approved hangers as required and be routed as close to upper ceiling as practical. Supports shall be installed at a maximum of 3 ft. centers using metal "J" hooks or other supports meeting or exceeding Category 5e installation requirements. "D" rings shall not be installed as a means of horizontal cable support.
- 2.5.12 "J Hooks" and other similar cable support devices shall be attached using corrosion resistant screws, #8 minimum. Drywall screws shall not be used for fastening "J-Hooks".
- 2.5.13 Cables shall not be installed in a manner such that they rest upon ceiling tiles, mechanical equipment, and shall not be tie-wrapped to conduit or piping.

**2.6 Raceway Requirements:**

- 2.6.1 Conduit fill: In new installations, conduit fill shall not exceed 50%. In retrofit installations, conduit fill may exceed 50% provided that the necessary pulling tension does not exceed the cable rating, and that compression of the cable jacket does not occur.
- 2.6.2 All conduits and sleeves must have UL approved insulated end bushings installed prior to installation of cables or station wire.
- 2.6.3 All riser sleeves/conduits and penetrations of fire rated partitions shall be fire stopped using approved methods and materials.
- 2.6.4 All cables shall be installed in compliance with manufacturers pull tension and bend radius specifications.
- 2.6.5 Station cable (voice & data), shall have individual pair twists preserved to point of termination. Cable jacket and inter-pair twists shall be continuous to within ½" of termination. Cables should not be routed in tightly cinched bundles. Avoid over-tensioning or twisting cable during installation.
- 2.6.6 Wall boxes shall be flush mounted, standard metal 4 inch square, deep type, with a single gang plaster ring. Conduit from the wall box shall be concealed and stubbed out above accessible ceiling, to riser closet, or to the telecommunications cable tray. Conduit shall be 1" minimum. Conduit end shall be fitted with a UL approved insulated bushing.
- 2.6.7 Any additional service requirements that will not operate over the standard University building telephone/data wiring shall use a completely separate conduit and wall outlet.

**2.7 Telecommunications Cable Tray**

- 2.7.1 Telecommunications cable trays are for the containment and support of telecommunications cables only. Cable trays shall not be used for the support of electrical power cables and conduits. Cable tray shall be bonded to ground in accordance with electrical code requirements.
- 2.7.2 System shall be designed and installed to allow accessibility for adds, moves, and changes.
- 2.7.3 A standard prefabricated ladder type cable tray consisting of solid side panels and side rails connected by individual transverse members, or an approved wire mesh (basket) type tray shall be used. Ladder type trays shall use standard prefabricated elbows, reducers, crossovers, tees, and elevation change tray sections as required.
- 2.7.4 Trays may be supported by cantilever brackets, trapeze, or individual rod suspension. Supports shall be installed on five foot centers maximum. A support shall be placed within two feet on each side of any connection to a fitting. Center hung supports shall be used only with prior approval from UITS Engineering.
- 2.7.5 The inside of the cable tray shall be free of burrs, sharp edges, and projections that can damage cable insulation.
- 2.7.6 A minimum of 12 inch access headroom shall be provided and maintained above the complete cable tray system. Cable trays must have adequate side access for initial cable installation and for future cable adds, moves, and changes.
- 2.7.7 Cable tray "tees" and 90's shall have wide radius junctions.

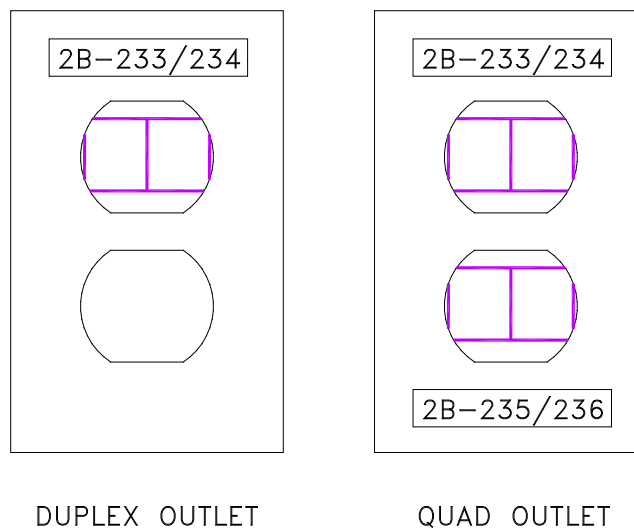
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- 2.7.8 Care should be taken to ensure that other building components do not restrict access to the cable tray.
- 2.7.9 Cable tray shall be level and have supports if required to prevent horizontal movement.
- 2.7.10 System shall be designed and installed to allow compliance with EIA/TIA-568C horizontal wiring distance standards.

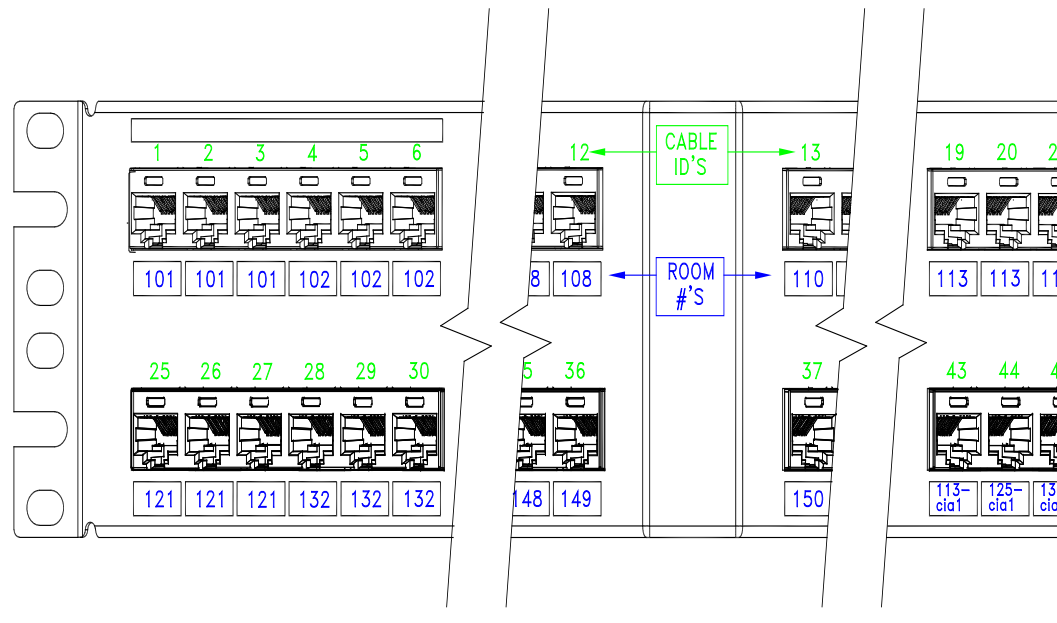
2.8 Labeling:

- 2.8.1 All labels shall be machine generated (printer or handheld label machine).
- 2.8.2 All cables shall be permanently identified at both ends.
- 2.8.3 The labeling for outlets shall consist of three components: (1) a unique sequential numeric designation for each jack/cable, (2) an alpha-numeric designation for the telecommunications room serving the outlet, and (3) the final University room number. At the station end, the faceplate of each outlet shall be labeled with the alpha-numeric telecommunications room identifier, plus the sequential numeric jack/cable identifier, as shown on the diagram below. At the telecommunications room end, the patch panel shall be labeled with the final University room number, plus the sequential jack/cable identifier. A label with the sequential jack/cable identifier shall be applied to each end of the station cable within 6 inches of the termination.



Faceplate Labeling Diagram





Patch Panel Labeling Diagram

- 2.8.4 Fiber optic riser cables shall be labeled utilizing a unique sequential numeric designation for each strand within a given building. Couplers and coupling panels shall be grouped by type of fiber, adjacent to each other either vertically or horizontally depending on LIU construction, with a designation indicating “SM” for single mode and “MM” for multimode. Each LIU in an IDF shall be labeled with the unique numeric strand designations, and labeled with the originating end Equipment/BET Room designation (alpha-numeric identifier). The LIU(s) in the Equipment/BET Rooms shall be labeled with the unique numeric strand designations, plus each group of fibers shall be labeled with the remote end IDF Room designation (alpha-numeric identifier).
- 2.8.5 The sequential numeric designation for optical fiber strands shall be in the range of 1-999 for singlemode, and 1001-1999 for multimode, starting with 1 and 1001 respectively,
- 2.8.6 Prior approval of final labeling scheme must be received from UITS Infrastructure Services Engineering. Labels shall be applied at the time of cable acceptance testing.

2.9 Outside Plant work

2.9.1 Underground Conduit:

- Underground conduit shall be 4” minimum, unless otherwise specified. Conduit shall be heavy-wall, Schedule 40, UL listed for direct burial and concrete encasement
- Conduit bends shall be sweeps, 12 times the conduit diameter. Bends shall be concrete encased PVC Schedule 40, or rigid galvanized steel double wrapped with 10 mil PVC tape.
- Conduit pole risers shall be rigid galvanized steel from below grade to a minimum of 10’ above grade, mounted to the pole with standoff brackets. Pole riser shall be located in a pole quadrant opposite the traffic side of the pole.
- Conduits shall be installed in continuous sections, with no continuous sections to

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exceed 500 feet without pull points.

- Conduits shall have no more than three 90 degree sweeps (or 270 degrees total bends) between pull points.
- All conduits shall be mandrel tested prior to acceptance by the University. Conduits that do not pass a mandrel test shall be repaired or replaced and re-tested at no cost to the University. Notification of mandrel testing shall be provided to the UITS project manager 24 hours in advance of testing, and shall be witnessed by a UITS representative if requested.
- Empty conduits shall be provided with 2500 lb. mule tape with footage markers, secured with at least 4 ft. of slack at each pull point or termination point.
- Underground conduits shall be installed a minimum of 24 inches below grade, separated from other utilities with a minimum of 12" well packed earth, 4" of masonry, or 3" of concrete.
- Provide 6" orange, traceable underground warning tape labeled "Caution- Buried Fiber Optic (or Telephone) Cable Below" above all conduits or duct banks, installed 12" below finished surface.
- Innerducts for use in underground conduits shall be corrugated, PVC, 1" or 1-1/4" as specified.
- Conduits and innerducts shall be sealed at termination points using watertight, corrosion-proof, removable and re-usable duct plugs as manufactured by Jackmoon or equivalent.
- Building entry conduits shall slope downward away from the building.

### 2.9.2 Maintenance Vaults (Manholes)

- Maintenance vaults shall be dedicated for telecommunications systems use; joint-use with electric or other utilities are not permitted.
- Maintenance vaults shall be pre-cast concrete, with galvanized interior hardware to include entry ladder, pulling eyes, bonding inserts and struts for racking. Pre-cast neck and shaft extensions shall be provided as required to bring the cover to the finished elevation.
- All maintenance vaults shall be provisioned with Neenah Foundary #R-1751-C frame, with solid outer lid and gasketed inner lid with lockbar. Outer lid shall be permanently marked "Communications".
- Manholes for utilization with multiple conduit duct banks shall have a minimum interior size of 8'x10', Utility Vault Co #510-TA or equivalent. With prior approval from UITS, manholes for utilization with less than 4 conduits may be smaller, 4'x4' nominal exterior dimensions, Utility Vault Co. #444-LA or equivalent.
- Conduits shall enter vaults through single duct knockouts, with the space between the conduit and the knockout filled to form a watertight seal.

### 2.9.3 Handholes

- Handholes are intended for use as pull points only, and shall not be used as splice points without prior written permission from UITS Engineering.
- Handholes shall be polymer concrete, with H-20 traffic rated cover.
- Provide handholes with lockable, vandal resistant galvanized steel insert, as manufactured by McCain Inc. or equivalent.
- Joint use of handholes with electric or other utilities is not permitted.

## Part 3 - Products

### 3.1 Materials List:

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All items not specifically covered in these specifications must have the concurrence of the University UITS-Infrastructure Services Engineering Department before placement or implementation.

- 3.1.1 Approved Cat. 6 station cables are: Belden 3613, Berk-Tek LanMark1000, Superior Essex DataGain. Cable shall be plenum rated, with violet jacket.
- 3.1.2 Approved Cat. 5e cables (for use only in existing buildings with Cat. 5e or older legacy cabling): Belden 1213, BerkTek LANmark350, General Cable GenSpeed 5350. Cable shall be plenum rated, with orange jacket.
- 3.1.3 Approved outdoor station cables for below grade use are: Cat. 6 -Mohawk #M57622, Superior Essex BBD6; Cat. 5e -Mohawk #M58926, Superior Essex BBDe.
- 3.1.4 Multi-Pair Copper Riser Termination blocks: Cat. 5e, Panduit #P110B100R2 (rack mount), Panduit #P110BW series (wall mount for legacy applications only)
- 3.1.5 Connecting blocks: Cat.5e: Panduit P110CB4, P110CB5; Cat. 6: Panduit GPCB4
- 3.1.6 Patch panels for station cabling: angled modular patch panels, Panduit #CPPLA24WBL Y (24 port), Panduit #CPPLA48WBL Y (48 port) populated with CJ688TGVL jacks.
- 3.2.1 Telephone/Data outlets: Cat. 6: Panduit CF1064EI frame, with CMBEI blank modules and CJ688TGVL jacks. All Cat. 6 jacks shall be violet in color.
- 3.2.2 Telephone/Data outlets: Cat. 5e (for use only in existing buildings with Cat. 5e or older legacy jacks): Panduit CF1064EI frame with CMBEI blank modules and CJ5E88TGOR. All Cat. 5e jacks shall be orange in color.
- 3.2.3 Outlet cover plate: all cover plates shall be stainless steel, Pass & Seymour #SS8 (single gang), #SS82 (double gang).
- 3.2.4 Wall telephone outlet: Panduit, KWP6P stainless steel phone plate with Giga-TX style CAT 6 keystone jack module
- 3.2.5 Surface mount jack enclosure- use for "Blue Light" phone jacks, wireless access points: Panduit #CBX2.
- 3.2.6 Blank cover plate: Pass & Seymour #SS14 (single gang), #SS24 (double gang). NOTE: Blank telephone style cover plate shall not be used.
  
- 3.3.1 Fire Stop – high capacity sleeves shall be STI EZ-Path, 3M Quick Pass, Wiremold FlameStopper, or prior approved equivalent. Small cable penetration sleeves shall be STI EZ-Firestop or prior approved equivalent. Caulks and sealants shall be as manufactured by STI, 3M, Nelson, or approved equivalent, and listed for the intended application.
- 3.3.2 Cable shield connector: 3M Scotchlock #4460, 4460-S
- 3.3.3 Bonding & Ground cable/wire: Ground Wire - #6 AWG minimum, Bonding Cable - #6 AWG rated flexible braid with eyelets. Insulated ground wire shall have insulation that is green in color.
- 3.3.4 Splice case filling compound, re-enterable type: 3M 4442.
- 3.3.5 Heat Shrink Tubing: Highly Flame Resistant, semi rigid, polyvinylidene fluoride (Kynar).
- 3.3.6 Cable Ties: Plenum type where required by code – Panduit hook and loop type.
- 3.3.7 Cross connect wire: Cat. 5e, 2 pair, #24 AWG, solid, copper, REA color code, polyethylene or PVC insulation.
- 3.4.1 Fiber Optic enclosures: All associated hardware shall be provided, including ground clamp, labels, vertical troughs, horizontal troughs, connector panels, blank panels, etc.
- 3.4.2 Fiber Optic Connector: LC, fusible splice-on type, Corning FuseLite or AFL FuseConnect.
- 3.4.3 Rack mount optical fiber enclosures for riser cable applications shall Corning CCH series or Panduit FCE series, with loaded LC adapter panels. Adapter panels shall have 12 duplex adapters, with zirconia ceramic split sleeves, OM3/OM4 or OS2 rated for multimode and singlemode fiber respectively.
- 3.4.4 Optical fiber riser cable shall be Corning Cable Systems MIC series, Optical Cable Corp. DX series, or Commscope Premises Riser Distribution series.
- 3.4.5 Optical fiber outside plant cable installed in tunnels, duct banks, or aerial construction shall be gel free, Corning Cable Systems Altos Armor series.
- 3.4.6 Optical fiber building entrance cable shall be Corning Cable Systems FREEDM series, gel free with interlocking armor.

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- 3.5.1 Surface raceway: Steel or aluminum only. Wiremold 2400 or approved equal is the minimum size acceptable; larger sizes may be required based on the size and number of cable and jacks to be accommodated.
- 3.5.2 "D" Rings: Lucent 13A (2 in.), 13B (4 in.), 13C (6 in.) Note: for use in telecom rooms for vertical cable management only.
- 3.5.3 Cable hangers: Erico/Caddy Cat Links "J" hangers.
- 3.5.4 Approved wire basket type cable trays are Cablofil EZTray and GS Metals Flextray.
- 3.5.5 Overhead cable tray for use in telecom rooms: Panduit Wyr-Grid, 12" minimum width, with 2" minimum height sidewalls provided at 12" intervals along the length of the tray. Provide intersection bend control radius fittings on all 90 degree and 'Tee' junctions.
- 3.6.1 Two post equipment racks: provide 7 ft. x 19" freestanding welded steel equipment rack, B-Line #SB-506-084-U-TG or approved equal.
- 3.6.2 Vertical cable managers: freestanding equipment racks shall be provided with 7' high, double-sided cable mangers 6" or 10" as indicated on the drawings, Chatsworth MCS Series, or approved equal.
- 3.6.3 Horizontal cable managers shall be provided as shown on the drawings. High capacity cable managers shall be Panduit #NCMHAEF4. Standard size cable managers shall be Panduit #NCMHF1. Small cable managers shall be Panduit #NCMHF1.
- 3.6.4 Blank filler plates for equipment racks shall be Panduit #CPAF1BLY, provided one per freestanding equipment rack, aligned with MCS Series vertical cable manager hinges as indicated on the drawings.
- 3.6.5 Four post equipment racks shall be 7 ft. high, 19" EIA width, 29" depth, Chatsworth #50120-X03.
- 3.6.6 Equipment rack grounding strips shall be Panduit #RGS134-1Y. ESD ports shall be Panduit #RGESD2-1, with #RGE SDWS wrist strap.
- 3.6.7 Protectors for multi-pair entrance cable shall have 110-in and 110-out connectors, and unless otherwise noted on the construction documents, shall be rack mounted, Porta Systems 19050-110-110. Protector modules shall be 4B1EW type.
- 3.6.8 Modular protectors for station cables (blue light phones, exterior cameras, etc.) shall be ITWLinx MCO4100 for voice service, and ITWLinx Cat6LAN for data service.

**Part 4 - Acceptance Testing**

- 4.1 End-to-end testing of all cable pairs, optical fiber strands, and coax cables shall be performed after completion of installation and termination. UTP Category 6 station wiring shall be in compliance with the EIA/TIA 568C standard. Cat. 6 systems shall be tested to Level III accuracy. Labels shall be applied at or before the time acceptance testing is performed.
- 4.2 Cable testing shall be performed with the terminating hardware at both ends inserted into the final patch panel, enclosure, or outlet position. For example, testing of fiber strands from the back of the fiber enclosure prior to inserting the connector into the adapter panel mounted in its final resting place is not acceptable.
- 4.3 Cable testing shall be performed using Fluke DTX or Versiv series test equipment.
- 4.4 Copper station cable tests shall be "Permanent Link" tests, performed with the appropriate test adapters/cords. "Basic Link" and "Channel" tests are not acceptable.
- 4.5 End-to-end attenuation testing of each optical fiber strand shall be made using an optical power meter and optical light source. Multimode fibers shall be tested at 850 and 1300nm. Singlemode fibers shall be tested at 1310 and 1550nm. Attenuation tests shall be performed in both directions.
- 4.6 UITS-Infrastructure Services Engineering must approve test documentation. Documentation shall be submitted in Fluke LinkWare Database electronic format.
- 4.7 Test result documentation shall indicate the final cable/outlet number assigned to each item tested, as well as identify the project and the telecommunications room serving each item tested. The test result submittal shall be organized by telecommunications room, with the test results in sequential order based on jack id. Test results that are incomplete or that are not organized in sequential order will not be accepted.

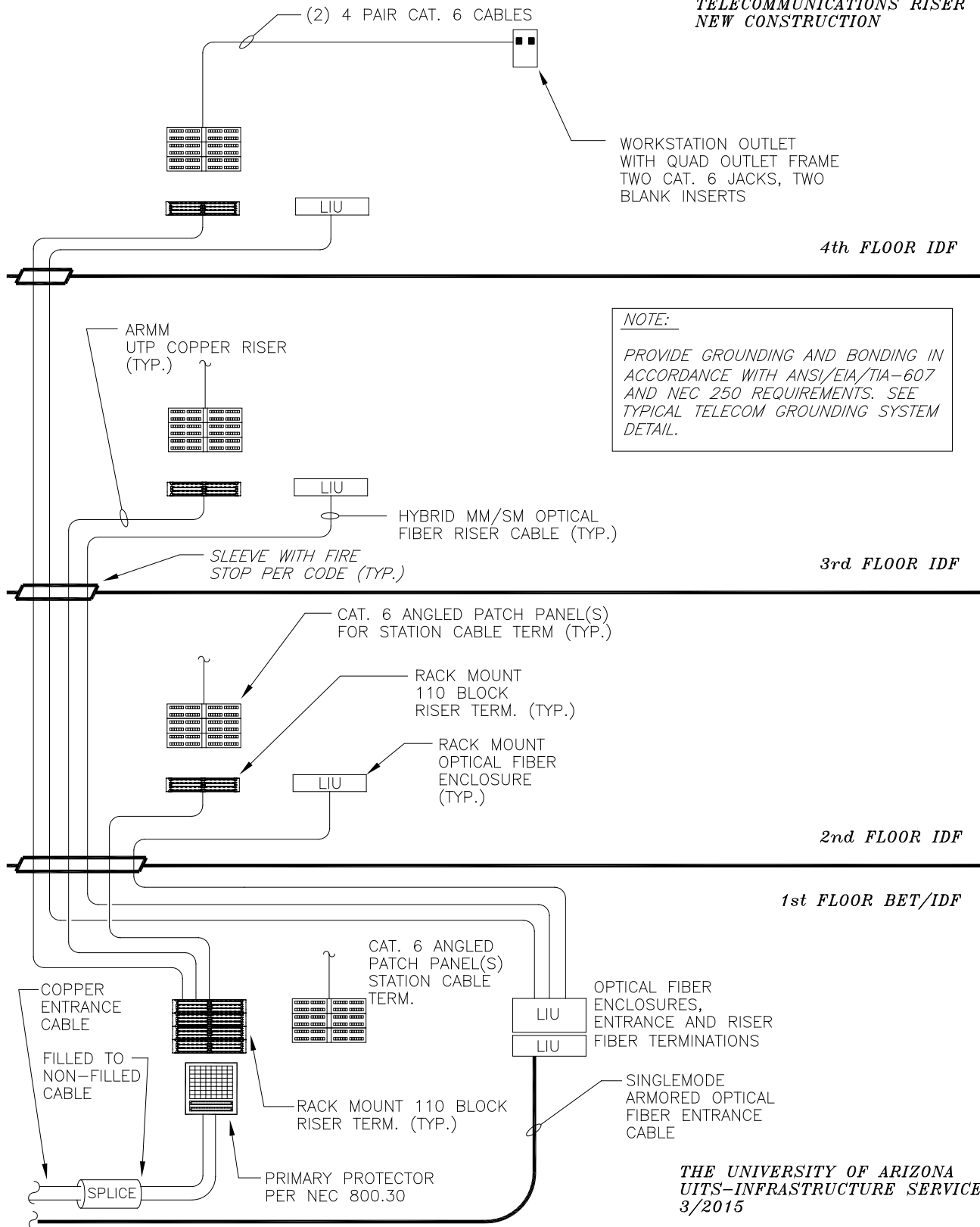
**Part 5 – Demolition**

- 5.1 All abandoned telecommunications cables within a project's boundaries shall be completely removed back to the termination block, including multi-pair cabling, coaxial Ethernet cabling, and station cabling.
- 5.2 Tele/data outlets shown on demolition drawings to be removed shall be removed completely including outlet and wiring to the originating IDF termination point. Termination labels shall be revised to reflect all changes.

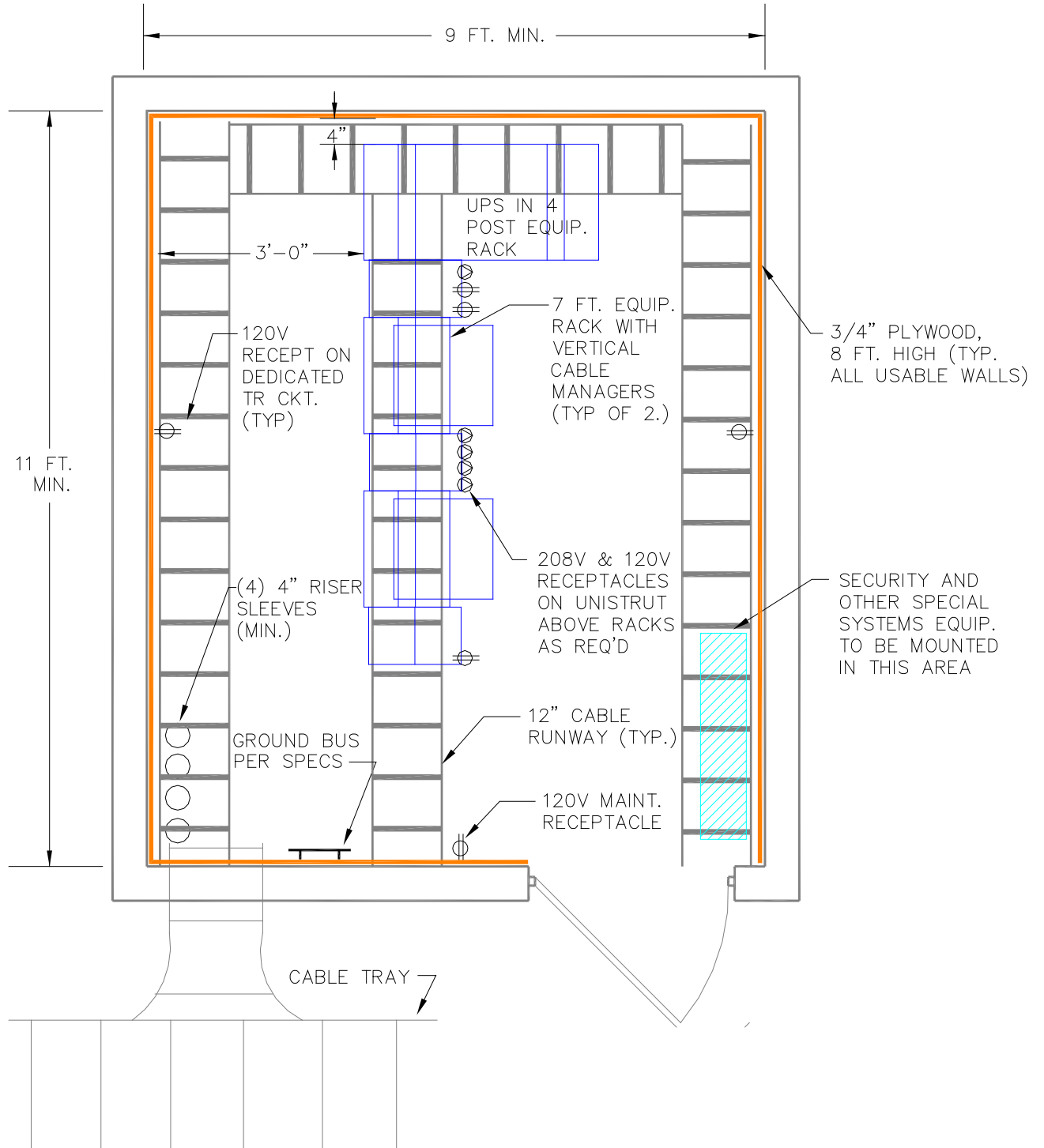
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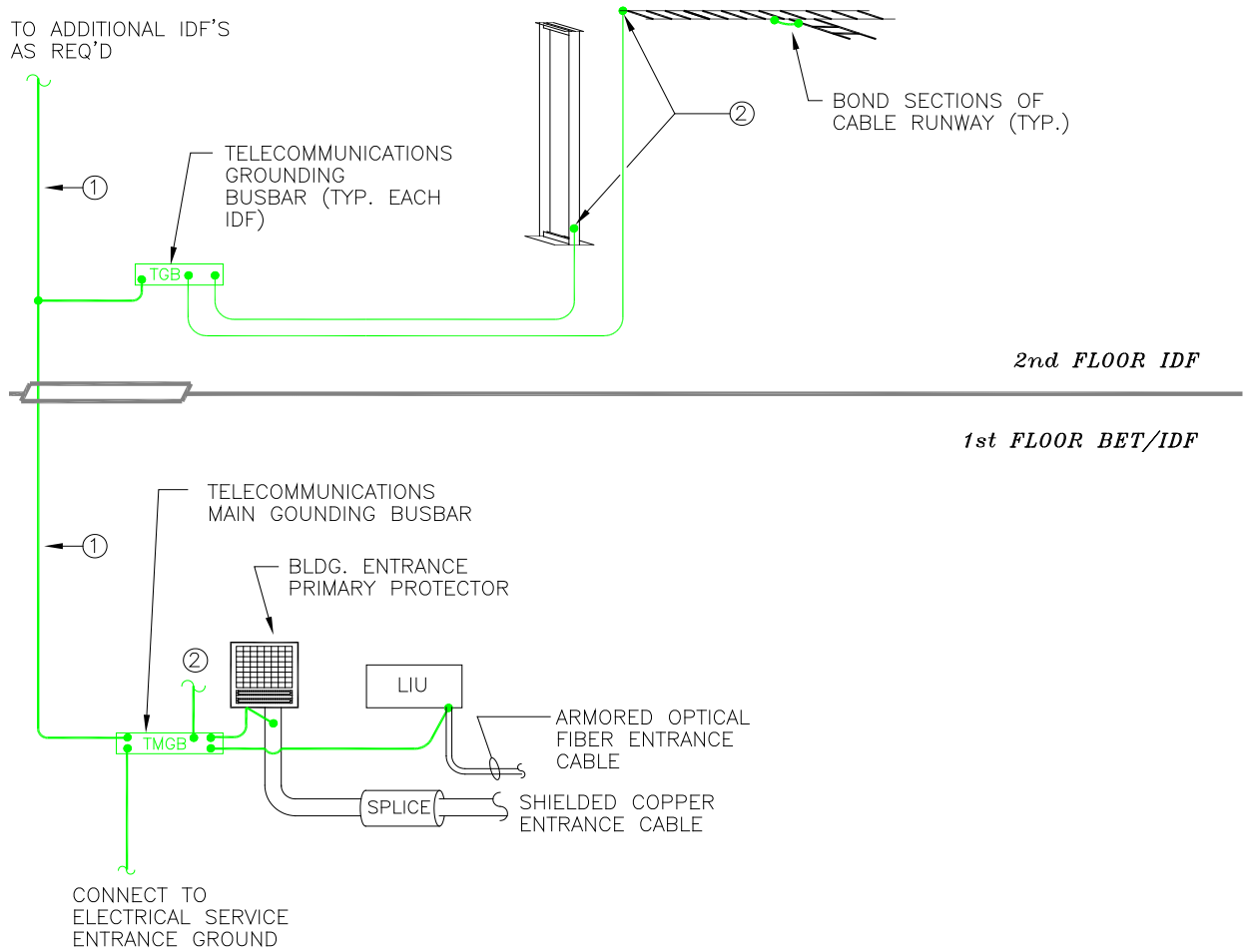


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TYPICAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS ROOM

TELECOMMUNICATIONS GROUNDING SYSTEM



- KEYNOTES
- ① TELECOMMUNICATIONS BONDING BACKBONE. SIZE PER ANSI J-STD-607A; #4 AWG MINIMUM.
  - ② BOND TO EQUIPMENT RACKS, CABLE RUNWAY, CABLE TRAY, SHIELDED CABLE, ETC. #6 AWG MINIMUM, TYP. OF ALL IDF'S AND BET

*NOTE:*  
 GROUNDING AND BONDING SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANSI/EIA/TIA-607 AND NEC 250 REQUIREMENTS.

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