SECTION 270500 BASIC COMMUNICATIONS REQUIREMENTS

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 01 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.

1.2 WORK INCLUDED

A. Provide all labor, tools, materials, accessories, parts, transportation, taxes, and related items, essential for installation of the work and necessary to make work, complete, and operational. Provide new equipment and material unless otherwise called for. References to codes, specifications and standards called for in the specification sections and on the drawings mean, the latest edition, amendment and revision of such referenced standard in effect on the date of these contract documents. All materials and equipment shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

1.3 LICENSING

A. The Contractor shall hold a license to perform the work as issued by the authority having jurisdiction.

B. Plumbing contract work shall be performed by, or under, the direct supervision of a licensed master plumber.

C. Electrical contract work shall be performed by, or under, the direct supervision of a licensed electrician.

1.4 PERMITS

A. Apply for and obtain all required permits and inspections, pay all fees and charges including all service charges. Provide certificate of approval from the Authorities Having Jurisdictionprior to request for final payment.

B. Provide electrical inspection certificate of approval from Middle Department Inspection Agency, Commonwealth Inspection Agency, or an Engineer approved Inspection Agency prior to request for final payment.

1.5 CODE COMPLIANCE

A. Provide work in compliance with the following:

1. 2020 Building Code of New York State.
2. 2020 Fire Code of New York State.
3. 2020 Plumbing Code of New York State.
4. 2020 Mechanical Code of New York State.
5. 2020 Fuel Gas Code of New York State.

6. 2020 Energy Conservation Code of New York State
7. Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities, ICC A117.1 (2009).
8. New York State Department of Labor Rules and Regulations.
9. New York State Department of Health.
10. 2017 National Electrical Code (NEC)
11. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).
12. Local Codes and Ordinances.
13. Life Safety Code, NFPA 101.

1.6 GLOSSARY

ACI	American Concrete Institute
AGA	American Gas Association
AGCA	Associated General Contractors of America, Inc.
AIA	American Institute of Architects
AISC	American Institute of Steel Construction
AFBMA	Anti-Friction Bearing Manufacturer's Association
AMCA	Air Moving and Conditioning Association, Inc.
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
ARI	Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Institute
ASHRAE	American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineers, Inc.
ASME	American Society of Mechanical Engineers
ASPE	American Society of Plumbing Engineers
ASTM	American Society for Testing Materials
AWSC	American Welding Society Code
AWWA	American Water Works Association
FM	Factory Mutual Insurance Company
IBR	Institute of Boiler & Radiation Manufacturers
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
IRI	Industrial Risk Insurers
NEC	National Electrical Code
NEMA	National Electrical Manufacturer's Association
NESC	National Electrical Safety Code
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association
NYS/DEC	New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

SBI	Steel Boiler Institute
SMACNA	Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors National Association
UFPO	Underground Facilities Protective Organization
UL	Underwriter's Laboratories, Inc.
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
XL - GAP	XL Global Asset Protection Services

1.7 DEFINITIONS

Acceptance	Owner acceptance of the project from Contractor upon certification by Owner's Representative.
As Specified	Materials, equipment including the execution specified/shown in the contract documents.
Basis of Design	Equipment, materials, installation, etc. on which the design is based. (Refer to the article, Equipment Arrangements, and the article, Substitutions.)
Code Requirements	Minimum requirements.
Concealed	Work installed in pipe and duct shafts, chases or recesses, inside walls, above ceilings, in slabs or below grade.
Coordination Drawings	Show the relationship and integration of different construction elements and trades that require careful coordination during fabrication or installation, to fit in the space provided or to function as intended.
Delegated-Design Services	Performance and Design criteria for Contractor provided professional services. Where professional design services or certifications by a design professional are specifically required of a Contractor, by the Contract Documents. Provide products and systems with the specific design criteria indicated. If criteria indicated is insufficient to perform services or certification required, submit a written request for additional information to the Engineer. Submit wet signed and sealed certification by the licensed design professional for each product and system specifically assigned to the Contractor to be designed or certified by a design professional. Examples: structural maintenance ladders, stairs and platforms, pipe anchors, seismic compliant system, wind, structural supports for material equipment, sprinkler hydraulic calculations.
Equal, Equivalent, Equal To, Equivalent To, As Directed and As Required	Shall all be interpreted and should be taken to mean "to the satisfaction of the Engineer".
Exposed	Work not identified as concealed.

Extract	Carefully dismantle and store where directed by Owner's Representative and/or reinstall as indicated on drawings or as described in specifications.
Furnish	Purchase and deliver to job site, location as directed by the Owner's Representative.
Inspection	Visual observations by Owner's site Representative.
Install	Store at job site if required, proper placement within building construction including miscellaneous items needed to affect placement as required and protect during construction. Take responsibility to mount, connect, start-up and make fully functional.
Labeled	Refers to classification by a standards agency.
Manufacturers	Refer to the article, Equipment Arrangements, and the article, Substitutions.
Prime Professional	Architect or Engineer having a contract directly with the Owner for professional services.
Product Data	Illustrations, standard schedules, performance charts, instructions, brochures, wiring diagrams, finishes, or other information furnished by the Contractor to illustrate materials or equipment for some portion of the work.
Provide (Furnish and Install)	Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, equipment and supplies necessary to install and place in operating condition, unless otherwise specifically stated.
Relocate	Disassemble, disconnect, and transport equipment to new locations, then clean, test, and install ready for use.
Remove	Dismantle and take away from premises without added cost to Owner, and dispose of in a legal manner.
Review and Reviewed	Should be taken to mean to be followed by "for the limited purpose of checking for conformance with information given and the design concept expressed in the Contract Documents".
Roughing	Pipe, duct, conduit, equipment layout and installation.
Samples	Physical full scale examples which illustrate materials, finishes, coatings, equipment or workmanship, and establishes standards by which work will be judged.
Satisfactory	As specified in contract documents.
Shop Drawings	Fabrication drawings, diagrams, schedules and other instruments, specifically prepared for the work by the Contractor or a Sub-contractor, manufacturer, supplier or distributor to illustrate some portion of the work.
Site Representative	Owner's Inspector or "Clerk of Works" at the work site.
Submittals Defined (Technical)	Any item required to be delivered to the Engineer for review as requirement of the Contract Documents. The purpose of technical submittals is to demonstrate for those portions of the work for which a submittal is required, the manner in which the Contractor proposes to conform to the information given and design concepts expressed and required by the Contract Documents.

1.8 SHOP DRAWINGS/PRODUCT DATA/SAMPLES

A. Provide submittals on all items of equipment and materials to be furnished and installed. Submittals shall be accompanied by a transmittal letter, stating name of project and contractor, name of vendor supplying equipment, number of drawings, titles, specification sections (name and number) and other pertinent data called for in individual sections.

B. Submittals shall have individual cover sheets that shall be dated and contain: Name of project; name of prime professional; name of prime contractor; description or names of equipment, materials and items; and complete identification of locations at which materials or equipment are to be installed. Individual piecemeal or incomplete submittals will not be accepted. Similar items, (all types specified) shall be submitted at under one cover sheet per specification section (e.g. lighting fixtures, valves, plumbing fixtures, etc.). Submittals shall include all required documentation for each product listed in the specification section at the same time as a complete package. Number each submittal by trade. Indicate deviations from contract requirements on Letter of Transmittal. Submittals will be given a general review only.

C. Corrections or comments made on the Submittals during the review do not relieve Contractor from compliance with requirements of the drawings and specifications. The Contractor is responsible for: confirming and correcting all quantities; checking electrical characteristics and dimensions; selecting fabrication processes and techniques of construction; coordinating his work with that of all other trades; and performing his work in a safe and satisfactory manner. If submittals are to be submitted electronically, all requirements in Item A apply. Submittals shall be emailed in PDF format to specific email address provided by the Construction Manager, General Contractor, Architect or Project Manager. Name of project shall be in subject line of email. Send emails to meBuff-RFI-Sub-Clerk@meengineering.com

D. Refer to Division 01 for additional requirements.

1.9 PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

A. Contractor shall assume responsibility for construction safety at all times and provide, as part of contract, all trench or building shoring, scaffolding, shielding, dust/fume protection, mechanical/electrical protection, special grounding, safety railings, barriers, and other safety feature required to provide safe conditions for all workmen and site visitors.

1.10 EQUIPMENT ARRANGEMENTS

A. The contract documents are prepared using one manufacturer as the Basis of Design, even though other manufacturers' names are listed. If Contractor elects to use one of the listed manufacturers other than Basis of Design, submit detailed drawings, indicating proposed installation of equipment. Show maintenance clearances, service removal space required, and other pertinent revisions to the design arrangement. Make required changes in the work of other trades, at no increase in any contract. Provide larger motors, feeders, breakers, and equipment, additional control devices, valves, fittings and other

miscellaneous equipment required for proper operation, and assume responsibility for proper location of roughing and connections by other trades. Remove and replace doorframes, access doors, walls, ceilings, or floors required to install other than Basis of Design. If revised arrangement submittal is rejected, revise and resubmit specified Basis of Design item which conforms to Contract Documents.

1.11 SUBSTITUTIONS

A. If Contractor desires to bid on any other kind, type, brand, or manufacture of material or equipment than those named in specifications, secure prior approval. To request such approval, Contractor shall submit complete information comparing (item-for-item) material or equipment offered with design material or equipment. Include sufficient information to permit quick and thorough comparison, and include performance curves on same basis, capacities, power requirements, controls, materials, metal gauges, finishes, dimensions, weights, etc., of major parts. If accepted, an addendum will be issued to this effect ahead of bid date. Unless such addendum is issued, substitution offered may not be used.

B. Refer to Division 01 for additional requirements.

1.12 UTILITY COMPANY SERVICES

A. Division 26 shall make arrangements with New York State Electric and Gas for electric service to the Owner's distribution equipment. Provide underground or overhead electric service as called for and transformers, meter sockets or meter compartments as required by the Utility Company. Coordinate all activities between the Owner and Utility Company. The installation of the electric service shall comply with the published Utility Company standards.

B. Division 22 shall make arrangements with New York State Electric and Gas for gas service to the Owner's distribution system. Provide service to the building as required by the Utility Company. Coordinate all activities between the Owner and Utility Company. The installation of the gas service shall comply with the published Utility Company standards.

1.13 ROUGHING

A. The Contract Drawings have been prepared in order to convey design intent and are diagrammatic only. Drawings shall not be interpreted to be fully coordinated for construction.

B. Due to small scale of Drawings, it is not possible to indicate all offsets, fittings, changes in elevation, interferences, etc. Make necessary changes in contract work, equipment locations, etc., as part of a contract to accommodate work to avoid obstacles and interferences encountered. Before installing, verify exact location and elevations at work site. **DO NOT SCALE** plans. If field conditions, details, changes in equipment or shop drawing information require an important rearrangement, report same to Owner's Representative for review. Obtain written approval for all major changes before installing.

C. Install work so that items both existing and new are operable and serviceable. Eliminate interference with removal of coils, motors, filters, belt guards and/or operation of doors. Provide easy, safe, and code mandated clearances at controllers, motor starters, valve access, and other equipment requiring maintenance and operation. Provide new materials, including new piping and insulation for relocated work.

D. Coordinate work with other trades and determine exact route or location of each duct, pipe, conduit, etc., before fabrication and installation. Coordinate with Architectural Drawings. Obtain from Owner's Representative exact location of all equipment in finished areas, such as thermostat, fixture, and switch mounting heights, and equipment mounting heights. Coordinate all work with the architectural reflected ceiling plans and/or existing Architecture. Mechanical and electrical drawings show design arrangement only for diffusers, grilles, registers, air terminals, lighting fixtures, sprinklers, speakers, and other items. Do not rough-in contract work without reflected ceiling location plans.

E. Before roughing for equipment furnished by Owner or in other Divisions, obtain from Owner and other Divisions, approved roughing drawings giving exact location for each piece of equipment. Do not "rough in" services without final layout drawings approved for construction. Cooperate with other trades to insure proper location and size of connections to insure proper functioning of all systems and equipment. For equipment and connections provided in this contract, prepare roughing drawing as follows:

1. Existing Equipment: Measure the existing equipment and prepare for installation in new location.
2. New Equipment: Obtain equipment roughing drawings and dimensions, then prepare roughing-in-drawings. If such information is not available in time, obtain an acknowledgement in writing, then make space arrangements as required with Owner's Representative.

1.14 COORDINATION DRAWINGS

A. Before construction work commences, Divisions for all trades shall submit coordination drawings in the form of CAD drawing files, drawn at not less than 1/4 in. scale. Such drawings will be required throughout all areas, for all Contracts. These drawings shall show resolutions of trade conflicts in congested areas. Mechanical Equipment Rooms shall be drawn early in coordination drawing process simultaneous with all other congested areas. Prepare Coordination Drawings as follows:

1. Division 23 shall prepare the base plan CAD coordination drawings showing all ductwork, all pertinent heating piping, and equipment. These drawings may be CAD files of the required Ductwork Shop Drawings. The drawings shall be coordinated with lighting fixtures, sprinklers, air diffusers, other ceiling mounted items, ceiling heights, structural work, maintenance clearances, electric code clearance, reflected ceiling plans, and other contract requirements. Reposition proposed locations of work after coordination drawing review by the Owner's Representative. Provide adjustments to exact size, location, and offsets of ducts, pipes, conduit, etc., to achieve reasonable appearance objectives. Provide these adjustments as part of contract. Minor revisions need not be redrawn.

2. Division 23 shall provide CAD files and submit the base plan CAD Coordination Drawings to all Divisions.
3. Divisions 21 and 22 shall draw the location of piping and equipment on the base plan CAD Coordination Drawings, indicating areas of conflict and suggested resolutions.
4. Divisions 26, 27 and 28 shall draw the location of lighting fixtures, cable trays, and feeders over 1-1/2 in. on the base plan CAD Coordination Drawings, indicating areas of conflict and suggested resolution.
5. The General Construction Trade shall indicate areas of architectural/structural conflicts or obstacles on the CAD Coordination Drawings, and coordinate to suit the overall construction schedule.
6. The General Construction Trade shall expedite all Coordination Drawing work and coordinate to suit the overall construction schedule. In the case of unresolved interferences, he shall notify the Owner's Representative. The Owner's Representative will then direct the various trades as to how to revise their drawings as required to eliminate installation interferences.
7. If a given trade proceeds prior to resolving conflicts, then if necessary, that trade shall change its work at no extra cost in order to permit others to proceed with a coordinated installation. Coordination approval will be given by areas after special site meetings involving all Divisions.

B. The purpose of the coordination drawing process is to identify and resolve potential conflicts between trades, and between trades and existing or new building construction, before they occur in construction. Coordination drawings are intended for the respective trade's use during construction and shall not replace any Shop Drawings, or record drawings required elsewhere in these contract documents.

1.15 EQUIPMENT AND MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS

A. Provide materials that meet the following minimum requirements:

1. Materials shall have a flame spread rating of 25 or less and a smoke developed rating of 50 or less, in accordance with NFPA 255.
2. All equipment and material for which there is a listing service shall bear a UL label.
3. Potable water systems and equipment shall be built according to AWWA Standards.
4. Gas-fired equipment and system shall meet AGA Regulations and shall have AGA label.
5. All electrical equipment and systems, as a whole, shall be tested and listed by an OSHA approved Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) for the intended use in accordance with the applicable standards and have a physical label indicating such.
6. Fire protection equipment shall be UL listed and FM approved.

B. Exterior and wet locations shall utilize materials, equipment supports, mounting, etc. suitable for the intended locations. Metals shall be stainless steel, galvanized or with baked enamel finish as a minimum. Finishes and coatings shall be continuous and any

surface damaged or cut ends shall be field corrected in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Hardware (screws, bolts, nuts, washers, supports, fasteners, etc.) shall be:

1. Stainless steel where the associated system or equipment material is stainless steel or aluminum.
2. Hot dipped galvanized or stainless steel where the associated system or equipment is steel, galvanized steel or other.

1.16 PAINTING

A. Paint all insulated and bare piping, pipe hangers and supports exposed to view in mechanical equipment rooms, penthouse, boiler rooms and similar spaces. Paint all bare piping, ductwork and supports exposed to the out-of-doors with rust inhibiting coatings. Paint all equipment that is not factory finish painted (i.e. expansion tanks, etc.).

B. All painting shall consist of one (1) prime coat and two (2) finish coats of non-lead oil base paint, unless otherwise indicated herein. Provide galvanized iron primer for all galvanized surfaces. All surfaces must be thoroughly cleaned before painting. Review system color coding prior to painting with the Owner's Representative or Architect.

C. All items installed after finished painting is completed and any damaged factory finish paint on equipment furnished under this contract must be touched up by the Contractor responsible for same.

D. All primers and paint used in the interior of the building shall comply with the maximum Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) limits called for in the current version of U.S. Green Building Council LEED Credits EQ 4.1 and EQ 4.2.

E. Refer to Division 9 - Finishes, for additional information.

1.17 CONCEALMENT

A. **Conceal all contract work** above ceilings and in walls, below slabs, and elsewhere throughout building. If concealment is impossible or impractical, notify Owner's Representative before starting that part of the work and install only after their review. In areas with no ceilings, install only after Owner's Representative reviews and comments on arrangement and appearance.

1.18 CHASES

A. New Construction:

1. Certain chases, recesses, openings, shafts, and wall pockets will be provided as part of General Construction Trade. Mechanical and Electrical trades shall provide all other openings required for their contract work.
2. Check Architectural and Structural Design and Shop Drawings to verify correct size and location for all openings, recesses and chases in general building construction work.

3. Assume responsibility for correct and final location and size of such openings.
4. Rectify improperly sized, improperly located or omitted chases or openings due to faulty or late information or failure to check final location.
5. Provide 18 gauge galvanized sleeves and inserts. Extend all sleeves 2 in. above finished floor. Set sleeves and inserts in place ahead of new construction, securely fastened during concrete pouring. Correct, by drilling, omitted or improperly located sleeves. Assume responsibility for all work and equipment damaged during course of drilling. Firestop all unused sleeves.
6. Provide angle iron frame where openings are required for contract work, unless provided by General Construction trade.

1.19 PENETRATION FIRESTOPPING

A. Fire-Stopping for Openings Through Fire and Smoke Rated Wall and Floor Assemblies:

1. Provide materials and products listed or classified by an approved independent testing laboratory for "Penetration Fire-Stop Systems". The system shall meet the requirements of "Fire Tests of Penetrations Fire-Stops" designated ASTM E814.
2. Provide fire-stop system seals at all locations where piping, tubing, conduit, electrical busways/cables/wires, ductwork and similar utilities pass through or penetrate fire rated wall or floor assembly. Provide fire-stop seal between sleeve and wall for drywall construction.
3. The minimum required fire resistance ratings of the wall or floor assembly shall be maintained by the fire-stop system. The installation shall provide an air and watertight seal.
4. The methods used shall incorporate qualities which permit the easy removal or addition of electrical conduits or cables without drilling or use of special tools. The product shall adhere to itself to allow repairs to be made with the same material and permit the vibration, expansion, and/or contraction of any items passing through the penetration without cracking, crumbling and resulting reduction in fire rating.
5. Plastic pipe/conduit materials shall be installed utilizing intumescent collars.
6. Provide a submittal including products intended for use, manufacturer's installation instructions, and the UL details for all applicable types of wall and floor penetrations.
7. Fire-stopping products shall not be used for sealing of penetrations of non-rated walls or floors.

B. Acceptable Manufacturers:

1. Dow Corning Fire-Stop System Foams and Sealants.
2. Nelson Electric Fire-Stop System Putty, CLK and WRP.
3. S-100 FS500/600, Thomas & Betts.
4. Carborundum Fyre Putty.
5. 3-M Fire Products.
6. Hilti Corporation.

1.20 NON-RATED WALL PENETRATIONS

A. Each trade shall be responsible for sealing wall penetrations related to their installed work, including but not limited to ductwork, piping, conduits, etc. See individual specification sections for requirements.

1.21 SUPPORTS

A. Provide required supports, beams, angles, hangers, rods, bases, braces, and other items to properly support contract work. Modify studs, add studs, add framing, or otherwise reinforce studs in metal stud walls and partitions as required to suit contract work. If necessary, in stud walls, provide special supports from floor to structure above.

B. For precast panels/planks and metal decks, support mechanical/electrical work as determined by manufacturer and the Engineer. Provide heavy gauge steel mounting plates for mounting contract work. Mounting plates shall span two or more studs. Size, gauge, and strength of mounting plates shall be sufficient for equipment size, weight, and desired rigidity.

C. For finished areas without a finished ceiling system such as classrooms, offices, conference rooms, etc., where decking and structure is exposed, and ductwork/piping/conduit is exposed: All mounting brackets, channel support systems and mounting hardware for ductwork, piping, lighting, etc. shall be concealed and approved by the Architect/Engineer prior to the installation. AirCraft cable style hanging for ductwork is required. It is recommended that room mockups be done and receive Architect/Engineer approval prior to proceeding with installation.

D. Equipment, piping, conduit, raceway, etc. supports shall be installed to minimize the generation and transmission of vibration.

E. Materials and equipment shall be solely supported by the building structure and connected framing. Gypboard, ceilings, other finishes, etc. shall not be used for support of materials and equipment.

1.22 ACCESS PANELS

A. Provide access panels for required access to respective trade's work. Location and size shall be the responsibility of each trade. Access panels provided for equipment shall provide an opening not smaller than 22 in. by 22 in. Panels shall be capable of opening a minimum of 90 degrees. Bear cost of construction changes necessary due to improper information or failure to provide proper information in ample time. Access panels over 324 square inches shall have two cam locks. Provide proper frame and door type for various wall or ceiling finishes. Access panels shall be equal to "Milcor" as manufactured by Inland Steel Products Co., Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Provide General Construction trade with a set of architectural plans with size and locations of access panels.

1.23 CONCRETE BASES

A. Provide concrete bases for all floor mounted equipment. Provide 3,000 lb. concrete, chamfer edges, trowel finish, and securely bond to floor by roughening slab and coating with cement grout. Bases 4 in. high (unless otherwise indicated); shape and size to accommodate equipment. Provide anchor bolts in equipment bases for all equipment provided for the project, whether mounted on new concrete bases or existing concrete bases.

1.24 HVAC EQUIPMENT CONNECTIONS

A. Contractor is responsible for draining, filling, venting, chemically treating and restarting any systems which are affected by work shown on the Contract Documents unless specifically noted otherwise.

B. Provide final connections to all equipment as required by the equipment. Provide final connections, including domestic water piping, wiring, controls, and devices from equipment to outlets left by other trades. Provide equipment waste, drip, overflow and drain connections extended to floor drains.

C. Provide for Owner furnished and Contractor furnished equipment all valves, piping, piping accessories, traps, pressure reducing valves, gauges, relief valves, vents, drains, insulation, sheet metal work, controls, dampers, as required.

D. Refer to manufacturer drawings and specifications for requirements of special equipment. Verify connection requirements before bidding.

1.25 PLUMBING EQUIPMENT CONNECTIONS

A. Contractor is responsible for draining, filling, venting, chemically treating and restarting any systems which are affected by work shown on the Contract Documents unless specifically noted otherwise.

B. Provide roughing and final water, waste, vent, gas, , and/or diesel connections to all equipment. Provide loose key stops, sanitary "P" traps, tailpiece, adapters, gas or air cocks, and all necessary piping and fittings from roughing point to equipment. Provide installation of sinks, faucets, traps, tailpiece furnished by others. Provide cold water line with gate valve and backflow prevention device at locations called for. Provide continuation of piping and connection to equipment that is furnished by others. Provide relief valve discharge piping from equipment relief valves.

C. Provide valved water outlet adjacent to equipment requiring same. Provide equipment type floor drains, or drain hubs, adjacent to equipment.

D. Install controls and devices furnished by others.

E. Refer to Contract Documents for roughing schedules, and equipment and lists indicating scope of connections required.

F. Provide for Owner furnished and Contractor furnished equipment all valves, piping, piping accessories, traps, pressure reducing valves, gauges, relief valves, vents, drains, as required.

G. Refer to Manufacturer drawings and specifications for requirements of special equipment. Verify connection requirements before bidding.

1.26 ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT CONNECTIONS

A. Provide complete power connections to all electrical equipment. Provide control connections to equipment. Heavy duty NEC rated disconnect ahead of each piece of equipment. Ground all equipment in accordance with NEC.

B. Provide for Owner furnished and Contractor furnished equipment all power wiring, electric equipment, control wiring, switches, lights, receptacles, and connections as required.

C. Refer to Manufacturer's drawings/specifications for requirements of special equipment. Verify connection requirements before bidding.

1.27 STORAGE AND PROTECTION OF MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

A. Store Materials on dry base, at least 6 in. aboveground or floor. Store so as not to interfere with other work or obstruct access to buildings or facilities. Provide waterproof/windproof covering. Remove and provide special storage for items subject to moisture damage. Protect against theft or damage from any cause. Replace items stolen or damaged, at no cost to Owner.

B. Refer to Division 01 for additional information.

C. Division 23 shall provide airtight plastic covers over all supply and return air openings prior to the start of construction by any trade. The plastic shall be maintained airtight throughout the project construction and removed only with the approval of the Owner's Representative.

1.28 FREEZING AND WATER DAMAGE

A. Take all necessary precautions with equipment, systems and building to prevent damage due to freezing and/or water damage. Repair or replace, at no change in contract, any such damage to equipment, systems, and building. Perform first seasons winterizing in presence of Owner's operating staff.

1.29 LUBRICATION CHART

A. Provide lubrication chart, 8-1/2 in. x 11 in. minimum size, typed in capital letters, mounted under clear laminated plastic; secure to wall in area of equipment. List all motors and equipment in contract. Obtain and list necessary information by name/location of equipment, manufacturer recommended types of lubrication and schedule. Lubricate motors as soon as installed and perform lubrication maintenance until final acceptance. Divisions 22 and 26 shall add contract items to the chart provided by Division 23 or provide separate charts.

1.30 OWNER INSTRUCTIONS

A. Before final acceptance of the work, furnish necessary skilled labor to operate all systems by seasons. Instruct designated person on proper operation, and care of systems/equipment. Repeat instructions, if necessary. Obtain written acknowledgement from person instructed prior to final payment. Contractor is fully responsible for system until final acceptance, even though operated by Owner's personnel, unless otherwise agreed in writing. List under clear plastic, operating, maintenance, and starting precautions procedures to be followed by Owner for operating systems and equipment.

1.31 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE MANUALS

A. Submit by email (preferred) or digital media, thru the normal project submittal process. Include a copy of each final approved Shop Drawing, wiring diagrams, piping diagrams, spare parts lists, final testing and balancing report, as-built drawings and manufacturer's instructions. Include typewritten instructions, describing equipment, starting/operating procedures, emergency operating instructions, summer-winter changeover, freeze protection, precautions and recommended maintenance procedures. Include name, address, and telephone number of installing contractor and of supplier manufacturer Representative and service agency for all major equipment items. Provide a table of contents page and dividers based upon specification section numbers. Submit in a compiled and bookmarked PDF format as outlined below. Each item listed in the table of contents shall include a hyperlink to the associated section of the O&M Manual, in addition to the bookmarking.

B. Provide content for Operation and Maintenance Manuals as specified in individual Specification Sections, and as reviewed and approved at the time of Section submittals. Submit reviewed manual content formatted and organized as required by this Section.

1. Engineer will comment on whether content of operation and maintenance submittals is acceptable.
2. Where applicable, clarify and update reviewed manual content to correspond to revisions and field conditions.

C. Submit Operation and Maintenance Manuals in the following format:

1. Submit by uploading to web-based project software site, or by email to Architect, as a formal project submittal in conformance with the project specific submittal procedures. Enable reviewer comments on draft submittals.
2. Electronic Files: Use electronic files prepared by manufacturer where available. Where scanning of paper documents is required, configure scanned file for minimum readable file size.
3. File Names and Bookmarks: Bookmark individual documents based on file names. Name document files to correspond to system, subsystem, and equipment names used in the table of contents. Group documents for each system and subsystem into individual composite bookmarked files, then create composite manual, so that resulting bookmarks reflect the system, subsystem, and equipment names in a readily navigated file tree. Configure electronic manual to display bookmark panel on opening file.

D. Initial Manual Submittal: Submit draft copy of each manual at least 30 days before commencing Owner training. Engineer will comment on whether general scope and content of manual are acceptable.

E. Final Manual Submittal: Submit O&M manual in final form prior to requesting inspection for Substantial Completion and at least 2 weeks before commencing Owner training. Engineer will return copy with review comments.

1. Correct or revise O&M manual to comply with Engineer's comments. Submit copies of each corrected manual within 2 weeks of receipt of Engineer's and Commissioning Agent's comments.

F. Refer to Division 01 for additional requirements.

1.32 RECORD DRAWINGS

A. The Contractor shall obtain at his expense one (1) set of construction Contract Drawings, (including non-reproduction black and white prints or electronic files) for the purpose of recording as-built conditions.

B. The Contractor shall perform all survey work required for the location and construction of the work and to record information necessary for completion of the record drawings. Record drawings shall show the actual location of the constructed facilities in the same manner as was shown on the bid drawings. All elevations and dimensions shown on the drawings shall be verified or corrected so as to provide a complete and accurate record of the facilities as constructed.

C. It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to mark **EACH** sheet of the contract documents in red and to record thereon in a legible manner, any and all approved field changes and conditions as they occur. A complete file of approved field sketches, diagrams, and other changes shall also be maintained. At completion of the work, the complete set of red marked contract documents, plus all approved field sketches and diagrams shall be submitted to the engineer and used in preparation of the record drawings.

D. A complete set of red marked contract drawings shall be submitted, at one time, as the "Record" set. If there are no changes to a specific drawing, the contractor shall indicate "NO CHANGES" on that drawing. ALL drawings shall be included in the "Record" set.

E. The complete set of red marked Contract Documents or electronic files shall be certified by the Contractor as reflecting record conditions and submitted to the engineer for review.

F. The Contractor shall have the marked up set scanned, if they are not already electronic files, and then submit them to the Engineer as the "Record Set".

1.33 FINAL INSPECTION

A. Upon completion of all Engineering Site Observation list items, the Contractor shall provide a copy of the Engineering Site Observation Report back to the Engineer with each items noted as completed or the current status of the item.

1.34 COMMISSIONING

A. Refer to General Commissioning Requirements in Division 01 for additional requirements.

1.35 TEMPORARY HEATING AND COOLING

A. Refer to the General Conditions of the Contract for Construction and Supplemental General Conditions.

1.36 MAINTENANCE OF HVAC SYSTEMS DURING TEMPORARY USE PERIODS

A. Provide each air handling system with a set of prefilters in addition to the permanent filters. Furnish four sets of prefilters for each system for use when system is operated for temporary heating or cooling. During such use, change prefilters as often as directed by Owner's Representative. Provide MERV-8 filters in all open ended ducts, return grilles and registers to keep dust out of ductwork. Change as often as necessary. Remove all such temporary filters upon completion. Use supply fans only. Do not operate return fans.

B. Blank-off outside air intake opening during temporary heating period. Install first set of permanent filters and prefilters.

C. Adjust dampers on supply system.

D. Set all heating coil control valves for manual operation.

E. Do not install any grilles or diffusers at room terminal ends of ducts until permission is given.

F. Assume responsibility for systems and equipment at all times, even though used for temporary heat or ventilating. Repair or replace all dented, scratched or damaged parts of systems prior to final acceptance.

G. Remove concrete, rust, paint spots, other blemishes, then clean.

H. Just prior to final acceptance, remove used final filter and install new set. Deliver all unused sets of prefilters to the Owner and obtain written receipt. Properly lubricate system bearings before and during temporary use. Maintain thermostats, freeze stats, overload devices, and all other safety controls in operating condition.

1.37 TEMPORARY FACILITIES

A. Refer to the Division 01 Sections, General Conditions and Supplemental General Conditions.

1.38 TEMPORARY LIGHT AND POWER

A. Refer to the Division 01 Sections, General Conditions and Supplemental General Conditions.

1.39 CLEANING

A. It is the Contractor's responsibility to keep clean all equipment and fixtures provided under this contract for the duration of the project. Each trade shall keep the premises free from an accumulation of waste material or rubbish caused by his operations. The facilities require an environment of extreme cleanliness, and it is the Contractor's responsibility to adhere to the strict regulations regarding procedures on the existing premises. After all tests are made and installations completed satisfactorily:

1. Thoroughly clean entire installation, both exposed surfaces and interiors.
2. Remove all debris caused by work.
3. Remove tools, surplus, materials, when work is finally accepted.

1.40 SYSTEM START-UP AND TESTING

A. All new heating and ventilating systems shall be started up and operated at normal operating temperature for a period of 24 hours to "bake-off" the equipment. The associated ventilation system shall run on 100% outside air during the bake-off for an additional eight hours to purge the building. This work shall be completed prior to fall school occupancy or on a Saturday, with the Contractor responsible for being on site during the entire purge and bake-off operation.

1.41 TRANSFER OF ELECTRONIC FILES

A. M/E Engineering, P.C. will provide electronic files for the Contractor's use in the preparation of sheet metal shop drawings, coordination drawings, or record drawings related to the project, subject to a potential $50.00 charge per drawing file and the following terms and conditions:

1. The Contractor shall submit a formal request for electronic drawing files on the M/E Engineering, P.C. website, by utilizing the following website link: http://www.meengineering.com/contact-pages/contractor-request
2. M/E Engineering, P.C. makes no representation as to the compatibility of these files with the Contractor's hardware or the Contractor's software beyond the specific release of the referenced specifications.
3. M/E Engineering can only provide CAD files of M/E/P/FP drawing levels for which we are the Engineer of Record. CAD files of Architectural backgrounds, reflected ceiling plans, structural plans, etc. must be obtained separately from the Architect of Record.

4. Data contained on these electronic files is part of M/E Engineering, P.C.'s instruments of service shall not be used by the Contractor or anyone else receiving data through or from the Contractor for any purpose other than as convenience in the preparation of shop drawings for the referenced project. Any other use or reuse by the Contractor or by others will be at the Contractor's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to M/E Engineering, P.C. The Contractor agrees to make no claim and hereby waive, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any claim or cause of action of any nature against M/E Engineering, P.C., its officers, directors, employees, agents or sub-consultants which may arise out of or in connection with the Contractor's use of the electronic files.
5. Furthermore, the Contractor shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify and hold harmless, M/E Engineering, P.C. from all claims, damages, losses and expenses, including attorney's fees arising out of or resulting from the Contractor's use of these electronic files.
6. These electronic files are not contract documents. Significant difference may arise between these electronic files and corresponding hard copy contract documents due to addenda, change orders or other revisions. M/E Engineering, P.C. makes no representation regarding the accuracy or completeness of the electronic files the Contractor receives. In the event that a conflict arises between the signed contract documents prepared by M/E Engineering, P.C. and electronic files, the signed contract documents shall govern. The Contractor is responsible for determining if any conflicts exist. By the Contractor's use of these electronic files the Contractor is not relieved of the Contractor's duty to comply with the contract documents, including and without limitation, the need to check, confirm and coordinate all dimensions and details, take field measurements, field verify conditions and coordinate the Contractor's work with that of other contractors for the project.

1.42 VIDEO RECORDING OF TRAINING SESSIONS

A. The contractor shall video record all training sessions required by their discipline. Video shall be in Windows Media Player video format saved on flash drives. Two (2) copies on flash drives are to be provided as a formal submittal. . Flash drives are to be tagged with project name, training session name(s), installing Contractor and date of training. The flash drive shall include a scanned version of the training session sign in list(s), including the presenter and the owner's participants.

1.43 ENERGY INCENTIVES

A. The Contractor, his Subcontractors and Suppliers shall provide to the Owner all paperwork necessary to support the Owners pursuit of incentives related to energy conservation as offered by the utility company or state sponsored incentive programs. This shall include at a minimum, receipts, and quantities and data sheets for energy efficient equipment such as: lighting, motors, variable frequency drives, etc.

1.44 INFECTION CONTROL

A. Construction procedures, temporary partitions, negative air systems, cleaning procedures, HVAC system isolation, dust control, etc. shall be in accordance with the infection control standards set forth by the Facility. A copy of the facilities standards are available from the Owner upon request.

END OF SECTION 270500

SECTION 272100 LOCAL AREA NETWORK SYSTEM

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 01 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.

1.2 WORK INCLUDED

A. Provide labor, materials, equipment, services, etc. for a complete functional Local Area Network (LAN) and related work as required in the Contract Documents.

B. The systems to be provided shall be for a switched LAN environment. The system shall hereafter be referred to as the Data Network System.

C. Basic Intent:

1. Located throughout the building as shown on the drawings, are places where computers and associated equipment are intended to be placed and connected to the network for the purposes of utilizing common resources.
2. The main distribution frame (MDF) for the data network in the building is located as shown on the drawings.

D. Description of System:

1. The system shall include the items listed below, as described herein and as indicated on the Contract Documents:

    a. Building Main Distribution Frame (MDF) for service entrance and distribution.
    b. Complete raceway system (cable tray, J hooks, conduit) for cabling distribution.
    c. Grounding of all racks, raceway and equipment.
    d. Power for the telecommunication rooms.

E. Scope of Work:

1. Provide room build-out of the IDF rooms consisting of plywood backboards, 8'-0" on all walls painted with two (2) coats of fire resistant paint, quantity as indicated, ground termination bar, raceways, sleeves, complete pathways, supports and firestopping.
2. Provide horizontal wiring consisting of Category 6 data cable for all work area outlets, Wireless Access Points, and all other data outlets unless otherwise noted.
3. Wireless Access Points (WAP) shall consist of single-gang outlet box with two (2) Category 6 data outlets and 15 ft. coiled cable whip in ceiling space to allow for final WAP location as directed in field. The data cables shall be routed to MDF as indicated on drawings.

4. Communication Outlets for workstations shall consist of one (1) gang outlet for with a total of two (2) data outlets with the data cables routed from the MDF indicated. Provide data outlets complete with faceplates.
5. All data cable, Category 6 for all data network wiring system use shall be tested and shall conform to TIA-568-C.2 Standard.
6. All data racks and cabinets, network electronic components and all data equipment including Wireless Area Network radios and equipment shall be furnished by the owner. Contractor is responsible for infrastructure wiring and related devices only.

1.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Work shall be as specified herein and it shall be neat and orderly installation. All methods of construction, details of workmanship that are not specifically described or indicated in the contract documents, shall be subject to the control and approval of the Owner's Representative.

B. Unless specified elsewhere, standard factory inspection and operational tests will be acceptable.

C. Installation shall be accordance with NFPA 70 (National Electrical Code), TIA/EIA, IEEE, IEC, state codes, local codes, and requirements of the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

D. Equipment shall be designed, manufactured, assembled, and tested in accordance with the latest revisions of applicable published ANSI, NEMAIEC, TIA/EIA and IEEE Standards.

E. Each item shall be NRTL tested and listed.

F. The system provider must:

1. Provide equipment from manufacturers for which they maintain a contract, distributorship, are an agent, or other formal arrangement for which documentation can be produced showing authority to sell and service the equipment in this territory.
2. Demonstrate that they have successfully installed these systems, utilizing their standard products, for a period of five (5) years.
3. Maintain adequate spare parts inventory to provide both normal and emergency service.
4. Employ service technicians who are trained in accordance with the systems manufacturer's recommendations.
5. Own and demonstrate proficiency in the use of the required test equipment, tools, etc. for the proper installation, set-up, testing and maintenance of the system. If requested, must provide a listing of tools and/or equipment and where appropriate, certifications in the proper training and use of the tools and/or equipment.
6. Provide all system programming to deliver a customized system to the Owner ready for use.

a. All system programming is to be completed to the satisfaction of the Owner. If after preliminary use of the system, and/or training, the increased understanding of the system's features and capabilities necessitates reprogramming to any extent, it is to be performed at no additional cost.
b. System shall be reprogrammed three months after occupancy/system turn over to incorporate all Owner desired modifications.

G. Contractor Qualifications:

1. This Contractor shall be a certified installer for the proposed equipment/system manufacturer(s) and be BICSI certified ITS Installer 2, Copper and Optical Fiber and shall be certified to terminate indicated fiber connectors.
2. The cable installer shall provide documentation and references from three (3) similar installations installed within the previous two (2) years within a 60 mile radius.

H. Installer Qualifications:

1. Cabling installer must have personnel certified by BICSI on staff.

1.4 SUBMITTALS

A. Provide the following in a single clear and organized submittal. Package shall be submitted as specified in:

1. Manufacturers catalog sheets, specifications and installation instructions for all system components.
2. Detailed description of system operation.
3. Itemized list of all features and functions.
4. Dimensioned drawings of all system control cabinets and layouts for all equipment rooms.
5. Wiring diagrams showing typical connections for equipment.
6. Contractor certification and qualifications.
7. Riser diagrams showing all components, devices and interconnecting cable types.
8. List of three (3) installations of equivalent or larger systems that have been installed within the past two (2) years and have been operating satisfactorily for a minimum of one (1) year.
9. Warranty information.
10. System test reports.
11. Provide scaled elevation and plan drawings indicating walls, data racks, patch panels, wire management, cable trays, power strips, door swing, etc. for each cable closet/room.

1.5 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

A. Provide a complete and fully operational state of the art Local Area Network (LAN) system as described herein and indicated on the contract documents. Include any and all interface equipment to supply a complete network with complete equipment connections necessary to form a complete "turnkey" network system as outlined in these specifications.

B. The complete system shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. MDF Room build-out.
2. Patch panels and patch cables and data racks.
3. Wire management.
4. Horizontal cabling.
5. Modular jacks, backboxes and faceplates.
6. Terminations and testing.
7. Raceways, pathways, sleeves, pull boxes.
8. Firestopping.

C. Owner shall provide the network electronics.

1.6 WARRANTY

A. All cable plant parts shall be warranted to the owner for a period of fifteen (15) years as a complete end-to-end system.

B. All network equipment shall be warranted to the owner for a period of one (1) year. Provide technical support at no charge to the customer for a period of one (1) year after system has been commissioned.

C. Make available an extended warranty to the customer.

D. Warranties shall commence upon final acceptance of the system.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 HORIZONTAL CABLE

A. Category 6 UTP Cable:

1. Cable must be UL Listed:

a. Plenum shall be listed for limited power (MP-LP (0.7A)).
b. Riser shall be listed for limited power (MR-LP (0.5A)).

2. The cable manufacturer shall be ISO 9001/TL 9000 Registered.

a. UL listed (MP-LP (0.7A)) supporting up to 100 watts.
b. UL listed (MR-LP (0.5A) supporting up to 100 watts.

3. Initially, the manufacturer shall perform qualification tests on each cable. These tests shall be performed in accordance with the latest revision of the ANSI/TIA/EIA 568-C.2 permanent link transmission performance standard prior to shipping.
4. Date of Manufacture: Cable shall be a maximum of one (1) year old, from date of manufacture when installed.
5. Cable shall have a ripcord.
6. Cable shall be plenum rated, 4 pair, 100 OHM, 23 AWG.
7. Cable shall meet all requirements of FCC 68, the latest revision of the TIA/EIA 568B-C.2 and Addenda.
8. Cable shall have blue colored thermoplastic jacket with overall diameter not to exceed 0.365 in.
9. The cable pulling tension shall be rated for 25 pounds minimum.
10. Cable shall be able to withstand a minimum bend radius of 1.0 in. at -20ºC without insulation cracking.
11. Cable shall be color coded in accordance with the latest revision of the TIA/EIA T568B polarization sequence.
12. Cable shall not exceed maximum length of 90 meters.
13. Provide a printed report documenting testing based on ANSI/TIA 568 C.2 testing at 250 MHz. The following are the minimum values associated with the cable for a 100 meter length.

    a. Less than 21.000 ohm per 100 m DC loop resistance.
    b. Return loss > 20.0 dB.
    c. Insertion Loss < 31.1 dB/100M.
    d. Near end cross talk (NEXT)> 35.3 dB (43.4 dB).
    e. Power Sum - near end cross talk (PS-NEXT)> 41.0 dB.
    f. Attention to cross talk ratio (ACRF) > 16.2 dB (24.8 dB).
    g. Power Sum - Attenuation to cross talk ratio (PSACRF) > 13.2 dB (21.8 dB).
    h. DC resistance unbalance between any two (2) conductors of any pair shall not exceed 3%.
    i. The capacitance unbalance of any pair to ground shall not exceed 33.0pF.
    j. Delay < 490 ns.
    k. Delay skew < 44 ns.
    l. Cable shall be ANSI/TIA/EIA-568.B.2 Category 6 compliant. The cable shall be tested and characterized by the manufacturer.

14. Acceptable Manufacturers:

    a. General Cable
    b. Berk-Tek
    c. TE Connectivity
    d. Belden
    e. Comm Scope

2.2 PATCH CABLES

A. Patch Cables - UTP:

1. Provide patch cable for use in the patch panels and field outlets, a minimum of two for each circuit/channel. Quantity of patch cords shall be sufficient to terminate all outlets indicated on drawings as well as 25% spare outlets of each type. Patch cable type shall correlate to the cable color and type and match or exceed the performance characteristics.
2. Field verify exact length of patch cords for field outlets and patch panel outlets with the Owner. Assume a typical of two (2) meters each.
3. Patch cord shall be stranded with overall jacket and factory made connectors with protective boots.
4. All patch cords shall be third party verified.
5. Acceptable Manufacturers:

    a. General Cable
    b. Berk-Tek
    c. TE Connectivity
    d. Belden
    e. Comm Scope

2.3 PATCH PANELS

A. UTP Cable Patch Panels:

1. All panels should consist of a faceplate, mounting, hardware, isolation bushings, connector assemblies and labels for all ports.
2. Provide patch panels in each enclosure or rack to which the cable is to be terminated. Patch panels shall be of the type, performance and Category to match the cabling.
3. Patch panels shall be mounted in standard 19 in. racks/cabinets.

    a. Contractor shall provide multiple 48-port patch panels having wiring configuration specified with insulation displacement connectors on the back and 8P8C universal modular jacks on the front.
    b. Contractor shall provide quantity of patch panels to terminate all UTP cable. There shall be a minimum of 25% spare capacity for future installation.

4. Jacks shall be 8P8C, T568 universal and have 110 style termination blocks.
5. Panels shall have factory labels for each port.
6. All cables are to be terminated per EIA/TIA 568B or 568A standards, if applicable, and dressed in a neat workmanship way.
7. Modular jacks shall be mounted on PC boards to offer low insertion and NEXT loss.
8. Provide grounding screw assembly with serrated head screw and manufacturer recommended connection to the associated rack.

9. Shall exceed EIA/TIA-568, UL1863 and FCC Part 68 performance specified.
10. Acceptable Manufacturers:

    a. Ortronics
    b. Panduit
    c. Hubbell
    d. Belden TE Connectivity

2.4 OUTLETS AND CONNECTORS

A. UTP Outlets/Connectors:

1. Category 6:

    a. Shall be 8-position, UTP jack module shall terminate 4-pair, 22-26AWG, 100 ohm unshielded twisted pair cable without the use of punchdown tool.
    b. Shall use forward motion termination method.
    c. Shall include universal label coded for T568A and T568B wiring schemes.
    d. Shall exceed channel requirements on ANSI/TIA-568-C.2 Category 6 at swept frequencies to 1 to 250 MHz.
    e. Shall be IEC 60603-7 and ROH's compliant.
    f. POE compliant rated for 2500 cycles with IEEE 802.3 af/802.aT supporting power over HDBaseT up to 100 watts.

2. Color Coding:

    a. Modules shall be color coded to match cable jacket. Color described above.

3. Acceptable Manufacturers:

    a. Panduit TX6 Plus and TX6A 10 GIG.
    b. Ortronics
    c. Belden
    d. Hubbell
    e. TE Connectivity

2.5 COLOR CODING

A. Cable outer jacket shall follow the color coding scheme at the Resorts World Facility. Patch cords shall match the cabling.

2.6 CABLE MANAGEMENT

A. All racks are to be provided with cable management hardware to insure a neat, functional system when complete. Racks shall as a minimum, include the following:

1. PVC construction; duct fingers to manage cabling; color to match enclosure.

B. All racks shall have 8 in. wide vertical full height cable management, including cover, front and rear, on both sides of the rack.

C. All racks shall have 2RU space horizontal full width cable management, front and rear, above and below each patch panel and piece of equipment.

D. All data distribution frame plywood backboards shall be provided with vertical and horizontal wire management with capacities to house all possible future cabling and patch cords for a neat and orderly installation.

E. Acceptable Manufacturers:

1. Panduit
2. Ortronics
3. Leviton
4. TE Connectivity

2.7 LABELING

A. General:

1. System labeling shall be in accordance with the latest revision of TIA/EIA 606. System shall provide as built final conditions for each cable, port, panel, rack, etc. and utilize MS Excel or approved equal documentation. Provide hard and electronic copy of labeling documentation to the Owner as part of the O and M process.
2. Each label shall contain the Telecommunication Room designated, the room number and the port number in the room. Verify color of label and size of font prior to completion. Provide samples as requested.
3. Labels shall correspond to the room/names/numbers upon completion of the project. Contractor shall not necessarily utilize existing room/names/numbers or those indicated on the blueprints.
4. Label each rack and patch panel with 1 in. high lettering, black on white, adhered electronically printed plastic type label with labels at top, bottom, front and back.

B. Patch Panel:

1. Individually label all patch panel ports. Port numbers shall match opposite end outlet/port number.

C. Outlets:

1. Individually label all patch panel ports. Labels shall be installed in a workman-like manner and fit completely in the recessed area of the labeled location.
2. Contractor shall utilize adhered labels at poke-thru locations and any other locations that do not have a label location.

D. Cable:

1. Copper

a. Specifically label cables at each termination point indicating the destination room, rack number, panel number and port number.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 INSTALLATION

A. Cable:

1. Provide a minimum of one horizontal UTP cable to each communication outlet jack from respective equipment/telecommunications room patch panel as called for. Quantity of data jacks equals minimum quantity of UTP cables (typical).
2. All risers, and wiring concealed in walls or soffits, shall be installed in metal conduits.
3. All cable above accessible ceilings shall be installed in cable tray or J-hook style cable rings 3 ft. O.C.
4. Provide wire management and Velcro cable wraps every 24 in. throughout closets.
5. Wiring/cabling shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. If the manufacturer recommends larger wire sizes, they shall be provided. However, smaller sizes or lower cable categories are not acceptable.
6. All Contract Documents are schematic. The system supplier shall incorporate their wiring requirements on the system drawings. The Contractor in conjunction with the system manufacturer shall be responsible for complete wiring requirements and conduit sizes.
7. The Contractor shall be responsible for replacing all cables that do not pass required bandwidth and throughput tests.
8. All raceways and closets shall be installed in accordance with latest revision of TIA/EIA-569.
9. All cables shall be labeled in accordance with latest revision of TIA/EIA 606 and these specifications.
10. All horizontal cables shall be terminated in patch panels at the distribution frames, and at the UTP jack at the telecommunications outlet.
11. Maximum length shall be 90 meters.

B. Terminations:

1. All terminations shall be made by a manufacturer's trained representative.
2. Use termination kits for UTP that are approved by the manufacturer of the cable.

C. Equipment and Devices:

1. Install all devices where shown on drawings. Provide all necessary conduit outlet boxes, junction boxes, supports, etc. Verify all required box sizes with the system supplier and coordinate with bending radius needs. All devices shall be modular for future moves and changes.
2. Install all equipment in specified 19 in. racks/cabinets leaving minimum 30 in. of access space on sides and back of rack and 36 in. in front of rack.

D. Raceways:

1. Minimum size raceway shall be 3/4 in.
2. Minimum backbox size for telecommunications outlet locations shall be two-gang with raised cover; no single-gang boxes allowed.
3. Provide no greater than 180° in bends without pull box in any raceway.

E. Data Network Ground System:

1. Provide grounding system for all equipment rooms and telecommunication rooms as called for in Specification Section 260526.

F. Telecommunications Rooms:

1. Provide 3/4 in. x 4 ft. high continuous plywood backboard with two (2) coats of medium gray fireproof paint in telecommunications rooms.
2. Coordinate with other trades to avoid services being installed above telecommunications racks.

3.2 TESTING

A. Copper Cable: System supplier shall channel test end-to-end each permanent link connection using latest 500 MHz for Cat 6A 1000 Mbps IEEE testing procedure. Tester must conform to the latest standards at the time of testing not time of bid and be Fluke DTX-5000 with latest software version, or approved equal. Testing shall be performed by a technician trained with the specific testing equipment. Testing shall be witnessed by the Owner's Representative.

B. Replace any cables and connectors that do not meet or exceed standards referenced and stated herein and then tested. Testing shall be end-to-end / port-to-port for each cable.

C. Test equipment shall be in good condition and working order, calibrated within one year of its use and utilize leads without twisting and kinks. Unit calibration shall be in accordance with Level III Field Tester per ANSI/TIA 1152.

D. Test Reporting:

1. The field testing shall be accurately documented for submission, inclusion in O&M Manuals and for Owner future use.

2. Test reports shall include data directory table cross-referencing room numbers and cable numbers with the test report. Post copies of directory at telecommunications room location.
3. Report shall utilize electronic Windows based documenting with a hard and electronic copy provided to the Owner.
4. The report documentation for each cable test shall include the following as a minimum:

    a. Project name.
    b. Test equipment manufacturer and model number, and last calibration date.
    c. Date and time of the test.
    d. Patch panel identification.
    e. Cable identification.
    f. Cable type.
    g. Pass/Fail: Pass indicating meeting or exceeding the identified criteria or standard (whichever more stringent) for all parameters. Fail indicating test not meeting identified criteria for one or more parameters.
    h. Test pass criteria.
    i. Cable length.
    j. Propagation delay and attainable bandwidth.
    k. List of tested parameters with test and allowable values. Any failed parameters shall be noted or highlighted.

3.3 TRAINING AND INSTRUCTION

A. Provide four (4) hours minimum of instruction to Owner personnel regarding system set up configuration and management. Training shall be sufficient for the Owner to understand the system operation, components, configuration, functions, testing and troubleshooting. All Owner questions shall be answered.

B. Training agenda (estimated duration, intent, specifications to be covered) shall be submitted for approval prior to the training. A finalized agenda shall be issued to the Owner and construction representative one (1) week minimum prior to the scheduled training. Owner's comments shall be incorporated and agenda redistributed prior to the training.

C. Two (2) hard copies and one (1) electronic (pdf) copy of the training materials shall be provided.

3.4 WARRANTY

A. All cable plant parts shall be warranted to the owner for a period of fifteen (15) years as a complete end-to-end system.

B. All network equipment shall be warranted to the owner for a period of one (1) year. Provide technical support at no charge to the customer for a period of one (1) year after system has been commissioned.

C. Make available an extended warranty to the customer.

D. Warranties shall commence upon final acceptance of the system.

END OF SECTION 272100