

**SECTION 25 10 10**  
**ADVANCED UTILITY METERING SYSTEM**

**PART 1 - GENERAL**

**1.1 DESCRIPTION**

A. This Section includes the following for the advanced metering of the systems of the facility. The metered systems include the chilled water systems. The metering systems in each facility are part of a Corporate-Wide utility metering system, rendering the VA accurate and automated metering of its facilities' energy and water flows. Metering systems are comprised of:

1. PC-based workstation(s) or server(s) and software.
2. Communication network and interface modules for TCP/IP, IEEE 802.3 data transmission protocols.
3. Volumetric flowmeters, temperature sensors and pressure transducers.

**1.2 RELATED WORK**

A. Section 23 09 23, DIRECT-DIGITAL CONTROL SYSTEM FOR HVAC: Flowmeters and communications

**1.3 DEFINITIONS**

- A. AMR: Automatic meter reading is the technology of automatically collecting consumption, diagnostic, and status data from water and energy metering devices (water, gas, electric, steam) and transferring that data to a central database for billing, troubleshooting, and analyzing.
- B. AUMS: Advanced Utility Metering System: the system described by this Section.
- C. BACnet: BACnet is a Data Communications Protocol for Building Automation and Control Networks. It is defined by ASHRAE/ANSI Standard 135 (ISO 16484-5) standard protocol.
- D. Data Over Cable Service Interface Specification (DOCSIS): an international standard defining communications and operation support interface requirements for a data over cable system, by the Cable Television Laboratories, Inc. consortium
- E. Data Head (on meters): converts analog and pulse signals to digital signals for transmission to the Site Data Aggregation Device. Also provides for limited storage of the digital signals.
- F. Device Accuracy: accuracy in this section is based on actual flow, not full scale or full range. Device accuracy measures the conversion of flow information to analog or pulse signals.
- G. Ethernet: Local area network, based on IEEE 802.3 standards.

- H. Firmware: Software (programs or data) that has been written onto read-only memory (ROM). Firmware is a combination of software and hardware. Storage media with ROMs that have data or programs recorded on them are firmware.
- I. Gateway: Bi-directional protocol translator connecting control systems that use different communication protocols.
- J. GB: gigabyte. When used to describe data storage, "GB" represents 1024 megabytes.
- K. HTML: Hypertext markup language.
- L. I/O: Input/output.
- M. KB: Short for kilobyte. When used to describe data storage, "KB" represents 1024 bytes.
- N. KY Pulse: A term used by the metering industry to describe a method of measuring consumption of electricity that is based on a relay changing status in response to the rotation of the disk in the meter.
- O. LAN: Local area network. Sometimes plural as "LANs."
- P. LCD: Liquid crystal display.
- Q. LonMark: An association comprising of suppliers and installers of LonTalk products. The Association provides guidelines for the implementation of the LonTalk protocol to ensure interoperability through Standard implementation.
- R. LonTalk: An open standard protocol developed by the Echelon Corporation that uses a "Neuron Chip" for communication.
- S. LonWorks: Network technology developed by the Echelon Corporation.
- T. Low Voltage: As defined in NFPA 70 for circuits and equipment operating at less than 50 V or remote-control, signaling and power-limited circuits.
- U. MB: megabyte. When used to describe data storage, "MB" represents 1024 kilobytes.
- V. Mbps: Megabytes per second, equal to 8 megabits per second
- W. Modbus TCP/IP: An open protocol for exchange of process data.
- X. Monitoring: Acquisition, processing, communication, and display of equipment status data, metered electrical parameter values, power quality evaluation data, event and alarm signals, tabulated reports, and event logs.
- Y. OTDR: Optical Time Domain Reflectometer. A test instrument that analyzes the light loss in an optical fiber. Used to find faults, splices and bends in the line, it works by sending out a light pulse

and measuring its reflection. Such devices can measure fiber lines that are longer than 150 miles

- Z. PC: Personal computer
- AA. PICS, Protocol Implementation Conformance Statement: A written document that identifies the particular options specified by BACnet that are implemented in a device.
- BB. CORO: Contracting Officer's Representative's Office: the VA office administering the construction contract.
- CC. Reporting Accuracy: this is the root-mean-square sum of all of the metering devices' inaccuracies: measurement inaccuracy, mechanical inaccuracy, analog-to-digital or pulse integration inaccuracy, etc., up to the meter's data head.
- DD. rms: Root-mean-square value of alternating voltage, which is the square root of the mean value of the square of the voltage values during a complete cycle.
- EE. Router: A device that connects two or more networks at the network layer.
- FF. RS-232: A Telecommunications Industry Association standard for asynchronous serial data communications between terminal devices.
- GG. RS-485: A Telecommunications Industry Association standard for multipoint communications using two twisted-pairs.
- HH. TB: terrabyte. When used to describe data storage, "TB" represents 1024 gigabytes.
- II. TCP/IP: Transport control protocol/internet protocol.
- JJ. Turn-down: the maximum flow divided by the minimum flow through a meter; used along with accuracy requirements. For example, a meter shall be accurate to within 2% of actual flow with throughout a 20:1 turndown
- KK. THD: Total harmonic distortion.
- LL. UPS: Uninterruptible power supply; used both in singular and plural context.
- MM. UTP: Unshielded twisted pair cabling, used to limit crosstalk and electromagnetic interference from the environment
- NN. WAN: Wide area network.

#### **1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- A. Installer Qualifications: Manufacturer's authorized representative who is trained and approved for installation of units required for this Project.

- B. **Manufacturer Qualifications:** A firm experienced at least three years in manufacturing and installing power monitoring and control equipment similar to that indicated for this Project and with a record of successful in-service performance.
- C. **Electrical Components, Devices, and Accessories:** Listed and labeled as defined in NFPA 70, Article 100, by a testing agency, and marked for intended use.
- D. **System Modifications:** Make recommendations for system modification in writing to the VA. No system modifications shall be made without prior written approval of the VA. Any modifications made to the system shall be incorporated into the Operations and Maintenance Instructions, and other documentation affected. Provide to the VA software updates for all software furnished under this specification during this contract's construction and verification periods and for the first two years after government acceptance. All updated software shall be verified as part of this contract.

#### **1.5 PERFORMANCE**

- A. The advanced utility metering system shall conform to the following:
1. **Site Data Aggregation Device Graphic Display:** The system shall display up to 4 graphics on a single screen with a minimum of (20) dynamic points per graphic. All current data shall be displayed within (10) seconds of the request.
  2. **Site Data Aggregation Device Graphic Refresh:** The system shall update all dynamic points with current data within ten seconds. Data refresh shall be automatic, without operator intervention.
  3. **Meter Scan:** All changes of metered values shall be transmitted over the high-speed network such that any data used or displayed at a controller or Site Data Aggregation Device will be current, within the prior ten seconds.
  4. **Alarm Response Time:** The maximum time from when meter goes into alarm to when it is annunciated at the workstation shall not exceed ten seconds.
  5. **Reporting Accuracy:** Listed below are minimum acceptable reporting accuracies for all values within the below minimum turn-down envelope reported by the meters:

<b>Measured Variable</b>	<b>Units Measured</b>	<b>Minimum Turn-Down of Meter</b>	<b>Reporting Accuracy (Note 1)</b>
Chilled Water	kW (MBH)	20:1	±2%

**Table 1.5: Meter Performance Criteria**

Table Notes:

1. This table shows reporting accuracy, not merely the meter's accuracy. Reporting accuracy includes meter accuracy and data conversion accuracy. See Article 1.3 in this Section for definition. Accuracy is shown against the measured value, not against the full range of the meter.
2. l/s: liter per second  
CFH: cubic feet per hour  
kW: kilowatt  
MBH: 1000's British Thermal Units per hour  
GPH: gallons per hour

**1.6 WARRANTY**

- A. Labor and materials for advanced utility metering systems shall be warranted for a period as specified under Warranty in FAR clause 52.246-21.
- B. Advance utility metering system failures during the warranty period shall be adjusted, repaired, or replaced at no cost or reduction in service to the owner. The system includes all computer equipment, transmission equipment, and all sensors and metering devices.

**1.7 SUBMITTALS**

- A. Product Data: for each type of product indicated, Attach copies of approved Product Data submittals for products (such as flowmeters, temperature sensors and pressure transmitters, switchboards and switchgear) that describe advance utility metering features to illustrate coordination among related equipment and utility metering and control.
- B. Shop Drawings: include plans, elevations, sections, details, and attachments to other work.
  1. Outline Drawings: Indicate arrangement of meters, components and clearance and access requirements. Clearly identify system components, internal connections, and all field connections.
  2. Block Diagram: Show interconnections between components specified in this Section and devices furnished with power distribution system components. Indicate data communication paths and identify networks, data buses, data gateways, concentrators, and other devices to be used. Describe characteristics of network and other data communication lines.
  3. Detail equipment assemblies and indicate dimensions, weights, loads, required clearances, method of field assembly, components, and location and size of each field connection.
  4. Wiring Diagrams: Power, signal, and communications wiring. Coordinate nomenclature and presentation with a block diagram. Show

all communications network components and include a communications single-line diagram indicating device interconnection and addressing information for all system devices. Identify terminal blocks used for interconnections and wire type to be used.

5. UPS sizing calculations for workstation.

C. Software and Firmware Operational Documentation:

1. Self-study guide describing the process for setting equipment's network address; setting Owner's options; procedures to ensure data access from any PC on the network, using a standard Web browser; and recommended firewall setup.

2. Software operating and upgrade manuals.

3. Software Backup: On a compact disc, complete with Owner-selected options.

4. Device address list and the set point of each device and operator option, as set in applications software.

5. Graphic file and printout of graphic screens and related icons, with legend.

6. "Quick-Start" guide to describe a simple, three-step commissioning process for setting the equipment's Ethernet address, and ensuring trouble-free data access from any PC on the network, using a standard web browser.

D. Software Upgrade Kit: For Owner to use in modifying software to suit future utility metering system revisions.

E. Firmware Upgrade Kit: For Owner to use in modifying firmware to suit future power system revisions or advanced utility metering system revisions. Firmware updates, and necessary software tools for firmware updates, shall be downloadable from the internet. VA shall be able to update firmware, in equipment, without removing device from the equipment. VA shall be capable of updating firmware over the utility metering communication network or through local communication ports on the device.

F. Software licenses and upgrades required by and installed for operating and programming digital and analog devices.

G. Qualification Data: For installer and manufacturer

H. Other Informational Submittals:

1. System installation and setup guides, with data forms to plan and record options and setup decisions.

- I. Revise and update the Contract Drawings to include details of the system design. Drawings shall be on 17 by 11 inches sheets. Details to be shown on the Design Drawing include:
  1. Details on logical structure of the network. This includes logical location of all network hardware.
  2. Manufacturer and model number for each piece of computer and network hardware.
  3. Physical location for each piece of network or computer hardware.
  4. Physical routing of LAN cabling.
  5. Physical and qualitative descriptions of connectivities.

#### **1.8 CLOSEOUT SUBMITTALS**

- A. Operation and Maintenance Data: For advanced utility metering system components and meters, to include in emergency, operation, and maintenance manuals. Include the following:
  1. Operating and applications software documentation.
  2. Software licenses.
  3. Software service agreement.
  4. PC installation and operating documentation, manuals, and software for the PC and all installed peripherals. Software shall include system restore, emergency boot compact disks, and drivers for all installed hardware. Provide separately for each PC.
  5. Hard copies of manufacturer's specification sheets, operating specifications, design guides, user's guides for software and hardware, and PDF files on CD-ROM of the hard-copy submittal.
  6. In addition to the copies required by 01 00 00, provide 5 bound paper copies of the Operation and Maintenance Data and two compact disks (CD), with all Instructions as Acrobat PDF files. The pdf files shall identical to the paper copies and shall Acrobat navigation tools including Bookmarks for each Chapter.
  7. The advanced utility metering system Operation and Maintenance Instructions shall include:
    - a. Procedures for the AUMS system start-up, operation and shut-down.
    - b. Final As-Built drawings, including actual LAN cabling routing shown on architectural backgrounds.
      - 1) IP address(es) as applicable for each piece of network hardware.
      - 2) IP address for each computer server, workstation and networked printer.

- 3) Network identifier (name) for each printer, computer server and computer workstation.
  - 4) CEA-709.1B address (domain, subnet, node address) for each CEA-709.1B TP/FT-10 to IP Router.
  - c. Routine maintenance checklist, rendered in a Microsoft Excel format. The routine maintenance checklist shall be arranged in a columnar format. The first column shall list all installed devices, the second column shall list each device's node identifier/address, the third column shall describe each device's physical location, the fourth column shall state the maintenance activity or state no maintenance required, the fifth column shall state the frequency of the maintenance activity, frequency of calibration and the sixth column for additional comments or reference.
  - d. Qualified service organization list.
  - e. In addition to the requirements in Section 01 33 23, the submittal shall include manufacturer Installation Requirements.
  - f. Include complete instructions for calibration of each meter type and model.
  - g. Start-Up and Start-Up Testing Report.
  - h. Performance verification test procedures and reports.
  - i. Preventive Maintenance Work Plan.
  - j. In addition to factory-trained manufacturers' representatives requirements in 01 00 00, provide signed letter by factory-trained manufacturers' representatives stating that the system and components are installed in strict accordance with the manufacturers' recommendations.
- B. Field quality-control test reports.

#### **1.9 LICENSING AGREEMENT**

- A. Licenses procured as part of this work become the property of the government upon acceptance of the work. Licenses shall have no expiration.
- B. Technical Support: Beginning with Government Acceptance, provide software support for one year.
- C. Upgrade Service: Update software to latest version at Project completion. Install and program software upgrades that become available within two years from date of Government Acceptance.



Upgrading software shall include the operating systems. Upgrade shall include new or revised licenses for use of software.

1. Provide 30-day notice to Owner to allow scheduling and access to system and to allow Owner to upgrade computer equipment if necessary.

#### **1.10 MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE**

- A. Preventive Maintenance Requirements: provide a preventative maintenance plan with attached procedures indicated by meter and component manufacturers. Perform maintenance procedures for a period of 1 year after government acceptance, at frequencies and using procedures required by the meter and component manufacturers. At a minimum and if the manufacturer is silent on its preventative maintenance requirements, frequencies, deliverables and activities shall comply with the following:

1. Preventive Maintenance Work Plan: prepare a Preventive Maintenance Work Plan to schedule all required preventive maintenance. VA approval of the Work Plan shall be obtained. Adhere to the approved work plan to facilitate VA verification of work. If the Contractor finds it necessary to reschedule maintenance, a written request shall be made to the VA detailing the reasons for the proposed change at least five days prior to the originally scheduled date. Scheduled dates shall be changed only with the prior written approval of the CORO.
2. Semiannual Maintenance: perform the following Semiannual Maintenance as specified:
  - a. Perform data backups on all Server Hardware.
  - b. Run system diagnostics and correct diagnosed problems.
  - c. Perform fan checks and filter changes for AUMS hardware.
  - d. Perform all necessary adjustments on printers.
  - e. Resolve all outstanding problems.
  - f. Install new ribbons, ink cartridges and toner cartridges into printers, and ensure that there is at least one spare ribbon or cartridge located at each printer.
3. Maintenance Procedures
  - a. Maintenance Coordination: Any scheduled maintenance event by Contractor that will result in component downtime shall be coordinated with the VA as follows. Time periods shall be

measured as actual elapsed time from beginning of equipment off-line period, including working and non-working hours.

- 1) For non-redundant computer server hardware, provide 14 days' notice, components shall be off-line for no more than 8 hours.
  - 2) For redundant computer server hardware, provide 7 days' notice, components shall be off-line for no more than 36 hours.
  - 3) For active (powered) network hardware, provide 14 days' notice, components shall be off-line for no more than 6 hours.
  - 4) For cabling and other passive network hardware, provide 21 days' notice, components shall be off-line for no more than 12 hours.
- b. Software/Firmware: Software/firmware maintenance shall include operating systems, application programs, and files required for the proper operation of the advanced utility metering system regardless of storage medium. User- (project site-) developed software is not covered by this contract, except that the advanced utility metering system software/firmware shall be maintained to allow user creation, modification, deletion, and proper execution of such user-developed software as specified. Perform diagnostics and corrective reprogramming as required to maintain total advanced utility metering system operations as specified. Backup software before performing any computer hardware and software maintenance. Do not modify any parameters without approval from the VA. Any approved changes and additions shall be properly documented, and the appropriate manuals shall be updated.
- c. Network: Network maintenance shall include testing transmission media and equipment to verify signal levels, system data rates, errors and overall system performance.

B. Service Call Reception

1. A VA representative will advise the Contractor by phone or in person of all maintenance and service requests, as well as the classification of each based on the definitions specified. A description of the problem or requested work, date and time notified, location, classification, and other appropriate information will be placed on a Service Call Work Authorization Form by the VA.

2. The Contractor shall have procedures for receiving and responding to service calls during regular working hours. A single telephone number shall be provided for receipt of service calls during regular working hours. Service calls shall be considered received by the Contractor at the time and date the telephone call is placed by the VA.
3. Separately record each service call request, as received on the Service Call Work Authorization form. Complete the Service Call Work Authorization form for each service call. The completed form shall include the serial number identifying the component involved, its location, date and time the call was received, nature of trouble, names of the service personnel assigned to the task, instructions describing what has to be done, the amount and nature of the materials to be used, the time and date work started, and the time and date of completion.
4. Respond to each service call request within two working hours. The status of any item of work must be provided within four hours of the inquiry during regular working hours, and within sixteen hours after regular working hours or as needed to repair equipment.

#### **1.11 SPARE PARTS**

- A. Furnish spare parts described below that match products installed and that are packaged with protective covering for storage and identified with labels describing contents.
  1. Addressable Relays: One for every ten installed. Furnish at least one of each type.
  2. Data Line Surge Suppressors: One for every ten of each type installed. Furnish at least one of each type.
- B. Furnish spare parts shall not be used for any warranty-required remediation.

#### **1.12 APPLICABLE PUBLICATIONS**

- A. Publications listed below (including amendments, addenda, revisions, supplements, and errata) form a part of this specification to the extent referenced, unless otherwise noted. Publications are referenced in the text by the basic designation only.
- B. American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME):
  - B16.1-1998.....Cast Iron Pipe Flanges and Flanged Fittings
  - B31.1-2007.....Power Piping
  - B31.8-2007.....Gas Transmission and Distribution Piping  
Systems

- B31.9-2008.....Building Services Piping
- B40.100-1998.....Pressure Gauges and Gauge Attachments
- C. American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers
  - ASHRAE 135-2008.....A Data Communication Protocol for Building Automation and Control Networks (ANSI)
- D. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)
  - A53-2006.....Pipe, Steel, Black and Hot-Dipped, Zinc-Coated, Welded and Seamless
  - A106-2006.....Seamless Carbon Steel Pipe for High Temperature Service
- E. Consumer Electronics Association (CEA)
  - 709.1B-2002.....Control Network Protocol Specification
  - 709.3-1999.....Free-Topology Twisted-Pair Channel Specification
  - 852-A-2004.....Tunneling Component Network Protocols Over Internet Protocol Channels
- F. Federal Communications Commission (FCC)
  - EMC-2002.....FCC Electromagnetic Compliance Requirements
- G. Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. (IEEE)
  - 81-1983.....IEEE Guide for Measuring Earth Resistivity, Ground Impedance, and Earth Surface Potentials of a Ground System
  - 100-2000.....The Authoritative Dictionary of IEEE Standards Terms
  - 802.1D-2004.....Media Access Control Bridges
  - 802.2-2003.....Standards for Local Area Networks: Logical Link Control
  - 802.3-2005.....Information Technology - Telecommunications and Information Exchange between Systems. Local and Metropolitan Area Networks - Specific Requirements - Part 3: Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection (CSMA/CD) Access Method and Physical Layer Specifications (ANSI)
  - 1100-2005.....Recommended Practice for Powering and Grounding Electronic Equipment (ANSI)

- C37.90.1-2002.....Surge Withstand Capability (SWC) Tests for  
Relays and Relay Systems Associated with  
Electric Power Apparatus
- C57.13-2008.....Standard Requirements for Instrument  
Transformers
- C62.41.1-2002.....Guide on the Surges Environment in Low-  
Voltage(1000 V and Less) AC Power Circuits
- C62.41.2-2002.....Recommended Practice on Characterization of  
Surges in Low-Voltage (1000 V and Less) AC  
Power Circuits
- H. International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)  
IEC 61000-2005.....Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)- Part 4-5:  
Testing and Measurement Techniques; Surge  
Immunity Test
- I. National Electrical Contractors Association  
NECA 1-2006.....Good Workmanship in Electrical Construction
- J. National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA)  
250-2008.....Enclosures for Electrical Equipment (1000 Volts  
Maximum)
- C12.1-2008.....Electric Meters; Code for Electricity Metering
- C12.20-2002.....Electricity Meter - 0.2 and 0.5 Accuracy  
Classes
- C62.61-1993.....Gas Tube Surge Arresters on Wire Line Telephone  
Circuits
- ICS 1-2008.....Standard for Industrial Control and Systems  
General Requirements
- K. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)  
800, Part 39-2008.....[DRAFT] Managing Risk from Information Systems:  
An Organizational Perspective
- 800, Part 46-2009.....Guide to Enterprise Telework and Remote Access  
Security
- 800, Part 52-2009.....Recommended Security Controls for Federal  
Information Systems and Organizations
- (FIPS) 200-2006.....Minimum Security Requirements for Federal  
Information and Information Systems
- L. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)  
30-08.....Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code
- 70-2008.....National Electrical Code (NEC)

54-06.....National Fuel Gas Code  
85-07.....Boiler and Combustion Systems Hazard Code  
101-06.....Life Safety Code  
262-2007.....Test for Flame Travel and Smoke of Wires and  
Cables for Use in Air-Handling Spaces

M. NSF International

14-03.....Plastics Piping Components and Related  
Materials  
61-02.....Drinking Water System Components-Health Effects  
(Sections 1-9)

N. Telecommunications Industry Association, (TIA/EIA)

H-088C3.....Pathway Design Handbook  
232-F-2002.....Interface Between Data Terminal Equipment and  
Data Circuit-Terminating Equipment Employing  
Serial Binary Data Interchange  
485-A-2003.....Electrical Characteristics of Generators and  
Receivers for Use in Balanced Digital  
Multipoint System  
568-C.1-2009.....Commercial Building Telecommunications Cabling  
Standard  
606-A-2002.....Administration Standard for the  
Telecommunications Infrastructure  
607-A-2002.....Commercial Building Grounding (Earthing) and  
Bonding Requirements for Telecommunications

O. Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. (UL):

916-2007.....Energy Management Equipment  
5085-3-2007.....UL Standard for Safety Standard Low Voltage  
1244-2000.....Electrical and Electronic Measuring and Testing  
Equipment  
1581-2006.....Electrical Wires, Cables, and Flexible Cords

**PART 2 - PRODUCTS**

**2.1 ADVANCED UTILITY METERING SYSTEM**

A. Functional Description

1. Meter and record load profiles. Chart energy and water consumption patterns.
  - a. Calculate and record the following:
    - 1) Load factor.
    - 2) Peak demand periods.
    - 3) Consumption correlated with facility activities.

- b. Measure and record metering data for the following:
  - 1) Chilled water
- B. Communications Components and Networks
  - 1. Site Data Aggregation Device and its networked meters shall communicate using BACNet protocol. Backbone shall communicate using ISO 8802-3 (Ethernet) Data Link/Physical layer protocol and BACnet/IP addressing as specified in ASHRAE/ANSI 135-2008, BACnet Annex J.
    - a. Control products, communication media, connectors, repeaters, hubs, and routers shall comprise a BACnet internetwork. Controller and operator interface communication shall conform to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 135-2008, BACnet.
    - b. Each controller shall have a communication port for connection to an operator interface.
  - 2. Network Configuration: High-speed, multi-access, open nonproprietary, industry standard LAN and WAN and Internetworked LAN.
  - 3. Communication protocol; LANs complying with RS-485 or RS-485 accessed through Ethernet, 100 Base-TX Ethernet, and Modbus TCP/IP.
  - 4. Network Hardware
    - a. Building Point of Connection Hardware
      - 1) Active equipment and communication interfaces.
      - 2) Switches, hubs, bridges, routers and servers.
    - b. IP Network Hardware
      - 1) Wire and Cables, copper connectivity devices.
      - 2) Fiber Optic Patch Panel.
      - 3) Fiber Optic Media Converter
      - 4) Ethernet Switch
      - 5) IP Router
  - 5. Communication Security
    - a. Remote teleworking and remote access of the network shall be through a firewall, at the Site Data Aggregation Device, complying with the requirements associated with Level 1 security in the Federal Information Processing Standard 140-2 (2002), Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules.
    - b. Direct access to network shall be restricted as described in

## **2.2 CABLE SYSTEMS - TWISTED PAIR AND FIBER OPTIC**

### **A. General:**

1. All metallic cable sheaths, etc. (i.e.: risers, underground, station wiring, etc. shall be grounded.
2. Install temporary cable and wire pairs so as to not present a pedestrian safety hazard. Provide for all associated work for any temporary installation and for removal when no longer necessary. Temporary cable installations are not required to meet Industry Standards; but, must be reviewed and approved by the VA prior to installation.
3. Cable conductors to provide protection against induction in circuits. Crosstalk attenuation within the System shall be in excess of -80 dB throughout the frequency ranges specified.
4. Minimize the radiation of RF noise generated by the System equipment so as not to interfere with audio, video, data, computer main distribution frame (MDF), telephone customer service unit (CSU), and electronic private branch exchange (EPBX) equipment the System may service.
5. The as-installed drawings shall identify each cable as labeled, used cable, and bad cable pairs.
6. Label system's cables on each end. Test and certify cables in writing to the VA before conducting proof-of-performance testing. Minimum cable test requirements are for impedance compliance, inductance, capacitance, signal level compliance, opens, shorts, cross talk, noise, and distortion, and split pairs on all cables in the frequency ranges specified. The cable tests shall demonstrate the operation of this cable at not less than 10 mega (m) Hertz (Hz) full bandwidth, fully channel loaded and a Bit Error Rate of a minimum of  $10^{-6}$  at the maximum rate of speed. Make available all cable installation and test records at acceptance testing by the VA and shall thereafter be maintained in the Facility's Telephone Switch Room. All changes (used pair, failed pair, etc.) shall be posted in these records as the change occurs.
7. Coordinate with the Electrical Contractor to install the telephone entrance cable to the nearest point of entry into the Facility and as shown on the drawings. Coordinate with the VA and the Electrical Contractor to provide all cable pairs/circuits from the Facility point of entry to the Telephone Switch Room all telephone, FTS, DHCP, ATM, Frame Relay, data, pay stations, patient phones, and any low voltage circuits as described herein.



8. Provide all cable pairs/circuits from the Server Room and establish circuits throughout the Facility for all cabling as described herein.
9. Provide proper test equipment to demonstrate that cable pairs meet each OEM's standard transmission requirements, and guarantee the cable will carry data transmissions at the required speeds, frequencies, and fully loaded bandwidth.

B. LAN COPPER CABLES

1. Comply with Section 27 15 00 "Communications Horizontal Cabling."
2. RS-485 Cable:
  - a. PVC-Jacketed, RS-485 Cable: Paired, 2 pairs, twisted, No. 22 AWG, stranded (7x30) tinned copper conductors, PVC insulation, unshielded, PVC jacket, and NFPA 70, Type CMG.
3. Unshielded Twisted Pair Cables: Category 5e or 6 as specified for horizontal cable for data service in Section 27 15 00 "Communications Horizontal Cabling."
4. Cabling products shall be tested and certified for use at data speeds up to at least 100 Mbps. Other types of media commonly used within IEEE Std 802.3 LANs (e.g., 10Base-T and 10Base-2) shall be used only in cases to interconnect with existing media. Short lengths of media and transceivers may be used in these applications. Provide separately orderable media, taps and connectors.
5. Ethernet Switch shall be IEEE Std 802.3 bridges which shall function as the center of a distributed-star architecture and shall be "learning" bridges with spanning tree algorithms in accordance with IEEE Std 802.1D. The switch shall support the connected media types and shall have a minimum of 150% the required ports and no fewer than 4 ports. One port shall be switch selectable as an uplink port.
6. Provide IP router network equipment. The routers shall be fully configurable for protocol types, security, and routing selection of sub-networks. The router shall meet all requirements of RFC 1812.

C. LAN FIBER OPTICAL CABLES

1. Interior Fiber Optic Cable: Interior Fiber Optic Cable shall be Multimode or Singlemode fiber, 62.5/125 micron for multimode or 10/125 micron for singlemode micron with SC or ST connectors as specified in TIA-568-C.1. Terminations, patch panels, and other hardware shall be compatible with the specified fiber and shall be as specified in Section 27 15 00 "Communications Horizontal

Cabling." The data communications equipment shall use the 850-nm range of multimode or 1310-nm range of singlemode fiber-optic cable. Fiber-optic cable shall be suitable for use with the 100Base-FX standard as defined in IEEE Std 802.3.

2. Exterior Fiber Optic Cable: Exterior Fiber Optic Cable shall be Multimode or Singlemode Fiber, 62.5/125 micron for multimode or 10/125 micron for singlemode micron with SC or ST connectors as specified in TIA-568-C.1. Terminations, patch panels, and other hardware shall be compatible with the specified fiber and shall be as specified in Section 27 15 00 "Communications Horizontal Cabling.". The data communications equipment shall use the 850-nm range of multimode or 1310-nm range of singlemode fiber-optic cable. Fiber-optic cable shall be suitable for use with the 100Base-FX standard as defined in IEEE Std 802.3.
3. Fiber Optic Patch Panels shall be wall or rack mountable and designed to provide termination facilities for up to 24 fibers. Unit shall also have capability to be equipped with spliced trays, six packs (for adapters), and blank panels for easy termination of the fiber bundles and tube cables. Fiber-optic terminating equipment shall provide for mounting of ST or SC connectors on an optical patch panel. Provide fiber-cable management and cable-routing hardware to assure conformance to minimum fiber and cable bend radii. Connectors on the patch panel shall be ST or SC feed through. Provide access to both sides of the panel. The patch panel for the connectors shall be mounted to facilitate rearrangement and identification. Each apparatus shall have cabling and connection instructions associated with it.
4. Fiber Optic media converter shall provide media conversion between layer 1 copper and fiber media to support data rates equal to the greater of the physical layer or 100 Mbps as specified in IEEE Std 802.3.

#### D. LOW-VOLTAGE WIRING

1. Low-Voltage Control Cable: Multiple conductor, color-coded, No. 20 AWG copper, minimum.
  - a. Sheath: PVC; except in plenum-type spaces, use sheath listed for plenums.
  - b. Ordinary Switching Circuits: Three conductors, unless otherwise indicated.

- c. Switching Circuits with Pilot Lights or Locator Feature: Five conductors, unless otherwise indicated.

**E. WIRELESS MODEMS**

Provide wireless modems for high speed, point-to-point Ethernet communications between sites. Transceivers shall be single integral units and may be mounted within the building in a NEMA 1 enclosure or weatherproof with integral antenna and pole mounted. System shall have the following features as a minimum:

1. 2.4GHz Industrial/Scientific/Medical (ISM band).
2. Security protocol shall utilize a minimum of 128-bit data encryption.
3. Operating Conditions: 0 degrees C to 55 degrees C, 85% relative humidity (32 degrees F to 131 degrees F, 85% relative humidity).
4. Transmitter/Receiver/Antenna combination shall provide less than 0.005% frame error rate at 10Mbps data rate between sites.
5. Antennas may be omni-directional or directional as required for system gain. Antennas and supports shall withstand a combined load of ½" ice and 125mph wind loading.

**2.3 GROUNDING**

- A. Ground cable shields, drain conductors, and equipment to eliminate shock hazard and to minimize ground loops, common-mode returns, noise pickup, cross talk, and other impairments. Comply with VA 27 05 26 Grounding and Bonding for Communications Systems and with VA 26 05 26 Grounding and Bonding for Electrical Systems.

**2.4 METER COMMUNICATION**

- A. Provide a BACnet network allowing communication from the meters' data heads to the DDC ECC.
- B. Provide data heads at each meter, converting analog and pulsed information to digital information. Data heads shall allow for up to 24 hours of data storage (including time stamp, measured value, and scaling factor).
  1. Each data head shall reside on a BACnet network using the MS/TP Data Link/Physical layer protocol. Each data head shall have a communication port for connection to an operator interface.
  2. Environment: Data Head hardware shall be suitable for the conditions ranging from -29°C to 60°C (-20°F to 140°F). Data Heads used outdoors and/or in wet ambient conditions shall be mounted within waterproof enclosures and shall be rated for operation at conditions ranging from -29°C to 60°C (-20°F to 140°F).

3. Provide a local keypad and display for interrogating and editing data. An optional system security password shall be available to prevent unauthorized use of the keypad and display.
4. Serviceability. Provide diagnostic LEDs for power, communication, and processor. All wiring connections shall be made to field-removable, modular terminal strips or to a termination card connected by a ribbon cable.
5. Memory. The building controller shall maintain all BIOS and data in the event of a power loss for at least 72 hours.
6. Immunity to power and noise. Controller shall be able to operate at 90% to 110% of nominal voltage rating and shall perform an orderly shutdown below 80% nominal voltage. Operation shall be protected against electrical noise of 5 to 120 Hz and from keyed radios up to 5 W at 1 m (3 ft).

## **2.5 WATER METER DEVICES**

### **A. Water meter applications:**

#### **1. HVAC Hydronic System Water Meters**

- a. Chilled Water Systems: provide an insertion Electromagnetic Flow Meter. Materials of construction for wetted metal components shall be 316 SS. For installations in non-metallic pipe, install grounding rings or probes. The flow meter shall average velocity readings from two sets of diametrically opposed electrodes. Each flow meter shall be individually wet-calibrated against a primary volumetric standard that is accurate to within 0.1% and traceable to NIST\*. A certificate of calibration shall be provided with each flow meter. Accuracy shall be within  $\pm 1\%$  of rate from 2-20 ft/s. Overall turndown shall exceed 100:1.

#### **B. Output signals shall be completely isolated and shall consist of the following:**

- (1) high resolution frequency output for use with peripheral devices such as an ONICON display module or Btu meter,
- (1) analog output; 4-20mA, 0-10V, or 0-5V jumper selectable and
- (1) scalable dry contact output for totalization. Each flow meter shall be covered by the manufacturer's two-year warranty.

### **B. Associated Devices (to provide energy metering, not merely flow metering):**

1. Temperature Sensors: Resistance Temperature Device (RTD) with an integral transmitter type.

- a. Immersion sensors shall be provided with a separable thermowell. Pressure rating of well is to be consistent with the system pressure in which it is to be installed.
  - b. Output Signal: 4-20 ma or digital.
2. Thermowells.
  - a. Description: Pressure-tight, socket-type fitting made for insertion into piping tee fitting. Stepped shank unless straight or tapered shank is indicated. ASME B40.200. Bore diameter required to match thermometer bulb or stem. Insertion length required to match thermometer bulb or stem. Provide a lagging extension on thermowells for insulated piping and tubing. Provide bushings. Use a mixture of graphite and glycerin for the thermowell's heat transfer medium.
    - 1) Material for Use with Copper Tubing: copper nickel (90-10).
    - 2) Material for Use with Steel Piping: stainless steel.
3. Meter shall have an all-welded flanged 316 stainless steel engineered flow tube with no seals. No sensor parts shall be exposed to the flow stream. Design meter for mating with Schedule 40 piping.
  - a. Meter shall be suitable for 25% warmer than the fluid operating temperature and for 25% higher than either the fluid's operating pressure or 25% higher than the piping system's safety valve set pressure, whichever is higher.
  - b. Meter flanges shall be Class 150 or higher, if required by the piping system's temperature and pressure Class.
  - c. Meter shall be suitable for installation in ambient conditions ranging from -29 to 60 degrees C (-20 to 140 degrees F).
4. Provide meter data head.
  - a. Meters shall have digital readout of pressure-compensated flow rate and totalization located at transmitter and transmit flow rate and totalization digital signals to the Site Data Aggregation Device . As an option, pressure compensation and the compensated flow rate may be performed and displayed by the Site Data Aggregation Device receiving signals from the flow meter and from a pressure transmitter.
  - b. Provide programmable microprocessor electronics with on-board programming. Output signals shall be immune to ambient temperature swings. Processor shall include continuous self-

diagnostic routines that identify electronics problems and provide a warning. Electronics shall be replaceable in the field without affecting metering accuracy. Provide power supply as recommended by meter manufacturer. Mount electronics in a NEMA 4 enclosure separate from meter body in position accessible from platform or floor without the use of a portable ladder.

1) Power supply to meter and transmitter shall be 120V/60hz.

Provide a Class 2 control voltage transformer for 24VDC power to meter as needed.

5. Performance:

- a. Transmitted signal from flowmeter and its transmitter shall have a total (rms) accuracy plus or minus 1.5% of flow rate.
  - b. Flowmeter accuracy shall be no more than plus or minus 1.5% of actual flow rate for gasses and plus or minus 1% of actual flow rate for liquids. Flowmeter repeatability shall be no more than 0.2% of actual flow rate. Meter shall be designed to minimize vibration effect and to provide elimination of this effect.
  - c. Minimum turndown ratio shall be 20:1 for gasses and liquids.
- Maximum fluid pressure drop shall be as scheduled.

**PART 3 - EXECUTION**

**3.1 INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS**

A. Cabling

- 1. Install Category 5e UTP, Category 6 UTP, and optical fiber cabling system as detailed in TIA-568-C.1, TIA/EIA-568-B.2, or TIA-568-C.3.
- 2. Screw terminals shall not be used except where specifically indicated on plans.
- 3. Use an approved insulation displacement connection (IDC) tool kit for copper cable terminations.
- 4. Do not untwist Category 5e, Category 6 UTP cables more than 12 mm (1/2 inch) from the point of termination to maintain cable geometry.
- 5. Provide service loop on each end of the cable, 3 m (10 feet) at the server rack and 304 mm (12 inches) at the meter.
- 6. Do not exceed manufacturers' cable pull tensions for copper and optical fiber cables.
- 7. Provide a device to monitor cable pull tensions. Do not exceed 110 N (25 pounds) pull tension for four pair copper cables.
- 8. Do not chafe or damage outer jacket materials.
- 9. Use only lubricants approved by cable manufacturer.
- 10. Do not over cinch cables, or crush cables with staples.

11. For UTP cable, bend radii shall not be less than four times the cable diameter.
12. Cables shall be terminated; no cable shall contain unterminated elements.
13. Cables shall not be spliced.
14. Label cabling in accordance with paragraph Labeling in this section.

B. Labeling

1. Labels: Provide labeling in accordance with TIA/EIA-606-A.  
Handwritten labeling is unacceptable. Stenciled lettering for all circuits shall be provided using laser printer.
2. Cables: Cables shall be labeled using color labels on both ends with identifiers in accordance with TIA/EIA-606-A.

- C. Grounding: ground exposed, non-current-carrying metallic parts of electrical equipment, metallic raceway systems, grounding conductor in metallic and nonmetallic raceways, telecommunications system grounds, and grounding conductor of nonmetallic sheathed cables, as well as equipment to eliminate shock hazard and to minimize ground loops, common-mode returns, noise pickup, cross talk, and other impairments. Comply with VA 26 05 26 GROUNDING AND BONDING FOR ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS.

D. Surge Protection

1. Provide surge protective devices on all metallic cables entering and leaving an interior environment to an exterior environment or vice versa, i.e. surge protective device at each interior location of a penetration to the exterior environment.

E. Network Hardware

1. System components and appurtenances shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and as shown. Necessary interconnections, services, and adjustments required for a complete and operable wired or wireless data transmission system shall be provided and shall be fully integrated with the configured network chosen for the project.

F. Computer Hardware

1. Provide the server(s) or personal computer workstation(s) where shown on the plans or indicated diagrammatically.

G. Computer Software

1. User friendly software shall be suitable for operation on computer workstations which serve as site data aggregation devices by

- monitoring the meters in the system, recording events, indicating alarm conditions, and logging and displaying system reports.
2. The software shall be developed by the manufacturer of the monitoring devices, and shall be designed specifically for energy, power monitoring and control. Additional utilities, i.e. water, air gas, electric and steam shall also be easily integrated.
  3. The software shall be configured, not programmed. All software shall be configured by the vendor and delivered ready to use. This configuration shall include preparation of all graphics, displays, and interactive one-line diagrams required as a part of this project.
    - a. Configuration shall be to the point that when monitoring devices are required to be added, the user shall only convey to the software the communications address and type of device.
  4. The software shall be a standard product offering with no customization required and clients shall interface with the server or computer workstation via Internet Explorer browser.
    - a. The web-enabled interactive graphics client shall only reside on the server PC, client PC not required to host any application software other than Internet Explorer 6.0 SP1 or higher browser to become a fully functional system.

#### H. Water Meters

1. Thermowells
  - a. Install thermowells with socket extending a minimum of 2 inches into fluid or one-third of pipe diameter and in vertical position in piping tees.
  - b. Install thermowells of sizes required to match temperature sensor connectors. Include bushings if required to match sizes.
  - c. Install thermowells with extension on insulated piping.
  - d. Fill thermowells with heat-transfer medium.
2. Provide a test plug beside each temperature sensor.
3. Flow meters, general
  - a. Install meters and gages adjacent to machines and equipment to allow service and maintenance of meters, gages, machines, and equipment.
  - b. Connect flowmeter-system elements to meters, connect flowmeter transmitters to meters, and connect thermal-energy meter transmitters to meters.



- c. Assemble and install connections, tubing, and accessories between flow-measuring elements and flowmeters according to manufacturer's written instructions.
- d. Install flowmeter elements in accessible positions in piping systems.
- e. Install flowmeter, with minimum 20 x pipe diameter straight lengths of pipe upstream and minimum 10 x pipe diameter straight lengths of pipe downstream from flowmeter unless otherwise indicated by manufacturer's written instructions.
- f. Mount thermal-energy meters on wall if accessible; if not, provide brackets to support meters.

### **3.2 ADJUSTING AND IDENTIFICATION**

- A. Install a permanent wire marker on each wire at each termination.
- B. Identifying numbers and letters on the wire markers shall correspond to those on the wiring diagrams used for installing the systems.
- C. Wire markers shall retain their markings after cleaning.

### **3.3 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL**

- A. The power monitoring and control system vendor must be able to provide development, integration and installation services required to complete and turn over a fully functional system including:
  - 1. Project management to coordinate personnel, information and on-site supervision for the various levels and functions of suppliers required for completion of the project.
  - 2. All technical coordination, installation, integration, and testing of all components.
  - 3. Detailed system design and system drawings.
- B. Cabling, equipment and hardware manufacturers shall have a minimum of 5 years' experience in the manufacturing, assembly, and factory testing of components which comply with EIA TIA/EIA-568-B.1, EIA TIA/EIA-568-B.2 and EIA TIA/EIA-568-B.3.
- C. The network cabling contractor shall be a firm which is regularly and professionally engaged in the business of the applications, installation, and testing of the specified network cabling systems and equipment. The contractor shall demonstrate experience in providing successful systems within the past 3 years. Submit documentation for a minimum of three and a maximum of five successful network cabling system installations.
  - 1. Supervisors and installers assigned to the installation of this system or any of its components shall be Building Industry

Consulting Services International (BICSI) Registered Cabling  
Installers, Technician Level. Submit documentation of current BICSI  
certification for each of the key personnel.

### **3.4 ACCEPTANCE TESTING**

- A. Develop testing procedures to address all specified functions and components of the Advanced Utility Metering System (AUMS). Testing shall demonstrate proper and anticipated responses to normal and abnormal operating conditions.
  - 1. Provide skilled technicians to start and operate equipment.
  - 2. Coordinate with equipment manufacturers to determine specific requirements to maintain the validity of the warranty.
  - 3. Correct deficiencies and make necessary adjustments to O&M manuals and as-built drawings for issues identified in testing.
  - 4. Provide all tools to start, check-out and functionally test equipment and systems.
  - 5. Correct deficiencies and make necessary adjustments to O&M manuals and as-built drawings for issues identified in any testing
  - 6. Review test procedures, testing and results with Government.
- B. Testing checklists: Develop project-specific checklists to document the systems and all components are installed in accordance with the manufacturers recommendation and the Contract Documents.
- C. Before testing, the following prerequisite items must be completed.
  - 1. All related equipment has been started and start-up reports and checklists submitted and approved as ready for testing:
  - 2. All associated system functions for all interlocking systems are programmed and operable per contract documents.
  - 3. All punchlist items for the AUMS and equipment are corrected.
  - 4. The test procedures reviewed and approved.
  - 5. Safeties and operating ranges reviewed.
- D. The following testing shall be included:
  - 1. Demonstrate reporting of data and alarm conditions for each point and ensure that alarms are received at the assigned location, including Site Data Collection Device.
  - 2. Demonstrate ability of software program to function for the intended application.
  - 3. Demonstrate via graphed trends to show the reports are executed in correct manner.

4. Demonstrate that the meter readings are accurate using portable NIST traceable portable devices and calibrated valves in the piping system
  5. Demonstrate that the systems perform during power loss and resumption of power.
- E. Copper cables: Contractor shall provide all necessary testing equipment to test all copper network circuit cables. Tests shall conform to EIA/TIA 568B Permanent Link testing criteria. All testers are to be EIA/TIA 568B, Level IIe compliant. The primary field test parameters are:
1. Wire map: The wire map test is intended to verify pair to pin termination at each end and check for installation connectivity errors. For each of the conductors in the cable, the wire map indicates:
    - a. Continuity to the remote end
    - b. Shorts between any two or more conductors
    - c. Crossed pairs
    - d. Reversed pairs
    - e. Split pairs
    - f. Any other mis-wiring
  2. Length requirements: The maximum physical length of the basic link shall be 94 meters (including test equipment cords).
  3. Insertion Loss: Worst case insertion loss relative to the maximum insertion loss allowed shall be reported.
  4. Near-end crosstalk (NEXT) loss: Field tests of NEXT shall be performed at both ends of the test configuration.
  5. Power sum near-end crosstalk (PSNEXT) loss
  6. Equal-level far-end crosstalk (ELFEXT): Field tests of ELFEXT shall be performed at both ends of the test configuration
  7. Power sum equal-level far-end crosstalk (PSELFEXT): Must be determined from both ends of the cable. Power sum Near End Crosstalk is not a category 3 parameter. For all frequencies from 1 to 100 MHz, the category 5e PSELFEXT of the cabling shall be measured in accordance with annex E of ANSI/TIA/EIA-568-B.2 and shall meet the values determined using equations (12) and (13) for the permanent link. PSELFEXT is not a required category 3 measurement parameter.
  8. Return loss: Includes all the components of the link. The limits are based on the category of components and cable lengths. Return

- loss must be tested at both ends of the cable. Cabling return loss is not a required measurement for category 3 cabling.
9. Propagation delay and delay skew: Propagation delay is the time it takes for a signal to propagate from one end to the other. Propagation delay shall be measured in accordance with annex D of ANSI/TIA/EIA-568 B.2. The maximum propagation delay for all category permanent link configurations shall not exceed 498 ns measured at 10 MHz. Delay skew is a measurement of the signaling delay difference from the fastest pair to the slowest. Delay skew shall be measured in accordance with annex D of ANSI/TIA/EIA-568-B.2. The maximum delay skew for all category permanent link configurations shall not exceed 44 ns.
10. Administration: In addition to Pass/Fail indications, measured values of test parameters should be recorded in the administration system. Any reconfiguration of link components after testing may change the performance of the link and thus invalidates previous test results. Such links shall require retesting to regain conformance.
11. Test equipment connectors and cords: Adapter cords that are qualified and determined by the test equipment manufacturer to be suitable for permanent link measurements shall be used to attach the field tester to the permanent link under consideration.
12. Test setup: The permanent link test configuration is to be used by installers and users of data telecommunications systems to verify the performance of permanently installed cabling. A schematic representation of the permanent link is illustrated in figure 1. The permanent link consists of up to 90 m (295 ft) of horizontal cabling and one connection at each end and may also include an optional transition/consolidation point connection. The permanent link excludes both the cable portion of the field test instrument cord and the connection to the field test instrument.
13. Replace or repair and cables, connectors, and/or terminations found to be defective.
14. Repair, replace, and/or re-work any or all defective components to achieve cabling tests which meet or exceed 568B permanent link requirements prior to acceptance of the installation or payment for services.

F. Optical Fiber cables: Contractor shall provide all necessary testing equipment to test all optical fiber cables.

1. Attenuation Testing:

- a. Singlemode testing shall conform to TIA/EIA 526-7 Method A.1 single jumper reference and TIA/EIA 568-B-1 requirements for link segment testing.
- b. Multimode testing shall conform to TIA/EIA 526-14-A Method B single jumper reference and TIA/EIA 568-B-1 requirements for link segment testing.
- c. Attenuation testing shall be performed in one direction at each operating wavelength.
- d. Testing of backbone fiber optic cabling shall be performed from main telecommunications room to each telecommunications room.
- e. Testing of horizontal fiber optic cabling shall be performed from telecommunications room to station outlet location.
- f. Tester shall be capable of recording and reporting test reading in an electronic format.

2. OTDR Testing:

- a. OTDR testing is required on all backbone fiber optic cables
- b. The test shall be performed as per the EIA/TIA 455-61.
- c. Multimode testing shall be performed with a minimum 80 meter launch cable.
- d. Singlemode testing shall be performed with a minimum of 500 meter launch cable.
- e. Tests shall be performed on each fiber in each direction at both operating wavelengths.

3. Test report data shall reference cables by cable labeling standards. Tests shall be submitted on a 1.5mb, 3.5" DOS formatted floppy disk. Contractor shall provide tests in the native file format of the tester. Contractor shall provide all software needed to view, print, and edit tests.

4. Replace or repair and defective cables, connectors, terminations, etc.

5. Mated connector pairs shall have no more than 0.5dB loss. Fusion splices shall have no more than .15dB loss per splice. Cable attenuation shall be no more than 2% more than the attenuation of the cable on the reel as certified at the factory. Repair, replace, and/or rework any or all defective components to achieve specified

test results prior to acceptance of the installation or payment for services.

- G. Wireless Modems: Test system by sending 100,000 commands. Frame error rate shall not be greater than 5 out 100,000 commands.

### **3.5 DEMONSTRATION AND INSTRUCTION**

- A. Furnish the services of a factory-trained engineer or technician for a total of two four-hour classes to instruct designated Facility Information Technologies personnel. Instruction shall include cross connection, corrective, and preventive maintenance of the wired network system and connectivity equipment.
- B. Before the System can be accepted by the VA, this training must be provided and executed. Training will be scheduled at the convenience of the Facilities Contracting Officer and Chief of Engineering Service.
- C. On-site start-up and training of the advanced utility metering system shall include a complete working demonstration of the system with simulation of possible operating conditions that may be encountered.
1. Include any documentation and hands-on exercises necessary to enable electrical and mechanical operations personnel to assume full operating responsibility for the advanced utility monitoring system after completion of the training period.
- D. Include 6 days on-site start-up assistance and 3 days on-site training in two sessions separated by minimum 1 month.
- E. Regularly schedule and make available factory training for VA staff training on all aspects of advanced utility metering system including:
1. Comprehensive software and hardware setup, configuration, and operation.
  2. Advanced monitoring and data reporting.
  3. Advanced power quality and disturbance monitoring.
- F. Before the system is accepted by the VA, the contractor shall walk-through the installation with the VA's representative and the design engineer to verify proper installation. The contractor may be requested to open enclosures and terminal compartments to verify cable labeling and/or installation compliance.
- G. As-built drawings shall be provided noting the exact cable path and cable labeling information. Drawings in .DWG format will be available to the contractor. As-builts shall be submitted to the VA on disk saved as .DXF or .DWG files. Redline hardcopies shall be provided as

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