SECTION 26 00 00

GENERAL ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE

A. Work of this section includes everything necessary for or incidental to completing the electrical work, to provide a complete and operable electrical system, except as herein specifically excluded.

1.2 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- A. Electrical System Characteristics: 208/120V. 3PH. 4W.
- B. Guarantee: Furnish a written guarantee for a period of one-year from date of acceptance.
- C. Codes and Regulations: Work done under this Section shall comply with the latest edition of the following: California Electrical Code, State of California Title 24, State Building Standards, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements, State of California Title 17 and to all local codes having jurisdiction. In the case where the codes have different levels of requirements, the most stringent rule shall apply.
- D. Wherever a discrepancy in quantity or size of conduit, wire, equipment, devices, circuit breakers, etc., (all materials), arises on the Drawing and/or Specifications, the Contractor shall be responsible for providing and installing all material and services required by the strictest condition noted on Drawings and/or in Specifications to insure complete and operable systems as required by the Owner and Engineer.
- E. The General and Supplementary Conditions, as well as Special Conditions apply in addition to items in the Electrical Section. Special attention is directed to the following sections:
 - 1. Drawings and Specifications at the site.
 - 2. Shop drawings and samples.
 - 3. Record drawings.
 - 4. Cutting and Patching.
 - 5. Cleaning up.
 - 6. Guarantee.
 - 7. Tests.
- F. Additional Work: Refer to Mechanical and Plumbing specifications for additional Electrical requirements.
- G. Provide minimum of twenty percent (20%) spare fuses.
- H. Testing:
 - 1. Scan:
 - a. Infrascan test of new distribution and branch circuit panels shall be required.
 - b. Infrascan of new terminations at existing distribution and branch circuit panels shall be required.
 - c. Infrascan certified reports shall be submitted on completion to the Owner and Engineer.
 - d. Scans shall be performed by an independent testing laboratory with total connected loads in operation.
 - 2. Megger:

- a. New branch circuit phase, neutral and ground conductors.
- b. New insulated bonding conductors.
- Current leakage test between the following:
 - a. Grounding pole of receptacles and exposed conductive surface of non-electrical equipment.
 - b. Grounding pole of receptacles and conductive surface of fixed or portable electrical equipment.
- 4. All circuits shall be tested for continuity and circuit integrity. Adjustments shall be made for circuits not complying with testing criteria.
- 5. Grounding System: Shall be tested by an independent testing laboratory to meet resistance specified in Part 3.1, D.3 of these Specifications. It shall be this Contractor's responsibility to make adjustments, as required, to upgrade non-complying systems to proper and safe operation.
- 6. All certified testing reports shall be submitted to the Owner at completion of project.
- I. All Core Cutting, Drilling, and Patching:
 - 1. For the installation of work under this Section, the aforementioned shall be performed under this Section of the Specifications and the Concrete section of the Specifications.
 - 2. No holes will be allowed in any structural members without the written approval of the Structural Engineer.
 - 3. For penetrations of concrete slabs or concrete footings, the work will be as directed in the Concrete Section of Specifications.
 - 4. The contractor shall be responsible for patching and repairing surfaces where he is required to penetrate for work under this contract.
 - 5. Penetrations shall be sealed to meet the rated integrity of the surface required to be patched and repaired. The patched surface shall be painted or finished to match the existing surface.
- J. Verifying Drawings and Job Conditions:
 - 1. This Contractor shall examine all Drawings and Specifications in a manner to be fully cognizant of all work required under this Section.
 - 2. This Contractor shall visit the site and verify existing conditions. Where existing conditions differ from Drawings, adjustment shall be made and allowances included for all necessary equipment to complete all parts of the Drawings and Specifications.

K. Shop Drawings:

- Drawings shall be submitted in six (6) bound sets accompanied by Letter of Transmittal, which shall
 give a list of the number and dates of the drawings submitted. Drawings shall be complete in every
 respect and bound in sets.
- The Drawings submitted shall be marked with the name of the project, numbered consecutively and bear the approval of the Contractor as evidence that the Drawings have been checked by the Contractor. Any Drawings submitted without this approval will be returned to the Contractor for resubmission.
- 3. If the shop drawings show variations from the requirements of the Contract because of standard shop practice or other reasons, the Contractor shall make specific mention of such variations in his letter of transmittal. If the substitution is accepted, the Contractor shall be responsible for proper adjustment which may be caused by the substitution. Samples shall be submitted when requested.
- 4. Shop drawings shall be submitted on the following but not limited to:

- a. Panels.
- b. Circuit breakers.
- c. Switches/Disconnect switches.
- Receptacles.
- e. Fuses.
- f. Conduit and Wire.
- L. Drawings of Record: The Contractor shall provide and keep up-to-date, a complete record set of blueprints. These shall be corrected daily and show every change from the original Drawings. This set of prints shall be kept on the job site and shall be used only as a record set. This shall not be construed as authorization for the Contractor to make changes in the layout without definite instruction in each case. Upon completion of the work, a set of reproducible Contract Drawings shall be obtained from the General Contractor and all changes as noted on the record set of prints shall be incorporated thereon with black ink in a neat, legible, understandable and professional manner. Refer to the Supplementary General Conditions for complete requirements.

1.3 WORK IN COOPERATION WITH OTHER TRADES

- A. Examine the Drawings and Specifications and determine the work to be performed by the electrical, mechanical, plumbing and other trades. Provide the type and amount of electrical materials and equipment necessary to place this work in proper operation, completely wired, tested and ready for use. This shall include all conduit, wire, disconnects, relays, and other devices for the required operation sequence of all electrical, mechanical and other systems or equipment.
- B. Provide power and control circuits, conduit and wire as indicated on the mechanical, plumbing and communication systems drawings as required for complete and operable systems.
- C. The electrical contractor shall be responsible for providing and installing specialty back-boxes for all communication/signal systems. The electrical contractor shall patch, repair and refinish walls, ceilings or floors disturbed by the installation of the subject back boxes.

1.4 TESTING AND ADJUSTMENT

- A. Upon completion of all electrical work, this Contractor shall test all circuits, switches, motors, breakers, motor starter(s) and their auxiliary circuits and any other electrical items to insure perfect operation of all electrical equipment.
- B. Equipment and parts in need of correction and discovered during such testing shall be immediately repaired or replaced with all new equipment and that part of the system shall then be retested. All such replacement or repair shall be done at no additional cost to the Owner.
- C. All circuit shall be tested for continuity and circuit integrity. Adjustments hall be made for circuits not complying with testing criteria.
- D. All certified testing reports shall be submitted to the Engineer at completion of project.

1.5 IDENTIFICATION

A. Identification nameplates shall be Micarta 1/8" thick and of approved size, with bevelled edges and engraved white letters 1/4" high minimum on black background. Nameplates shall be provided for all circuits in the distribution switchboards, and selector switches. Inscriptions on equipment shall be identical to those indicated in panels and/or motor control centers and other similar devices. Each nameplate shall be provided with drillings and suitable mounting screws corresponding to finish of the nameplate. The inscriptions in each nameplate shall be as indicated on the Drawings.

1.6 MAINTENANCE, SERVICING, INSTRUCTION MANUALS AND WIRING DIAGRAMS

- A. Prior to final acceptance of the job, the Electrical Contractor shall furnish to the Owner at least four (4) copies of operating and maintenance and servicing instructions, as well as four (4) complete wiring diagrams for the following item(s) or equipment:
 - Panelboards.
 - Disconnect switches.
- B. All wiring diagrams shall specifically cover the system supplied. Typical drawings will not be accepted. Two (2) copies shall be presented to the Electrical Engineer and four (4) copies to the Owner.

1.7 ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

A. It shall be the Electrical Contractor's responsibility to obtain a complete set of Drawings and Specifications. He shall check the Drawings of the other trades and shall carefully read the entire Specifications and determine his responsibilities.

1.8 FINAL INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

- A. After all requirements of the Specifications and/or the Drawings have been fully completed, representatives of the Owner will inspect the work. Contractor shall provide competent personnel to demonstrate the operation of any item or system to the full satisfaction of each representative.
- B. Final acceptance of the work will be made by the Owner after receipt of approval and recommendation of acceptance from each representative.

1.9 RECORD DRAWINGS

Contractor shall furnish one set of reproducible record drawings before final payment of retention.

1.10SUBSTITUTIONS

- A. Substitution to specified equipment shall be submitted and received by the Engineer fifteen (15) days after the bid date for review and approval.
- B. To receive consideration, requests for substitutions must be accompanied by documentary proof of its equality with the specified material. Documentary proof shall be in letter form and identify the specified values/materials alongside proposed equal values/materials. In addition, catalog brochures and samples must be included in the submittal.
- C. In the event that authorization is given for a substitute equal to bid, after award of contract the Contractor shall submit to the Engineer certified quotations from suppliers of both the specified and proposed equal material for price comparison and delivery dates.
- D. In the event of cost reduction, the Owner will be credited with 100 percent of the reduction, arranged by Change Order.
- E. The Contractor warrants that substitutions proposed for specified items will fully perform the functions required.
- F. Substitutions or requests for substitution shall not be accepted and rejected for failure to comply with items A-E above.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 MATERIALS

A. Materials and Equipment: All electrical materials and equipment shall be new and shall be listed by Underwriter's Laboratories and bear their label, or listed and certified by a nationally recognized testing authority where UL does not have an approval. Custom made equipment must have complete test data submitted by the manufacturer attesting to its safety. In addition, the materials and equipment shall comply with the requirements of the following:

- 1. American Society of Testing Materials (ASTM).
- 2. Insulated Cable Engineers Association (ICEA).
- National Electrical Manufacturer's Association (NEMA).
- 4. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).
- 5. American National Standard Institute (ANSI).

B. Switchboard Circuit Breakers

- 1. New circuit breakers shall be of the same manufacturer as the existing circuit breakers in the switchboard. Provide new circuit breakers with required mounting hardware and accessories. All unused openings in the panel shall be provided with standard or custom covers.
- 2. Circuit breakers shall be the number of poles and current capacity as indicated on the Single Line Diagram.
- 3. AIC Rating: Circuit breakers shall be fully rated. Minimum rating shall match the highest AIC rating of the existing circuit breaker in the panel.
- 4. Provide nameplate for each new circuit breaker installed in the switchboard.
- All new wiring in existing switchboards shall be neatly arranged and laced together.
- 6. All circuit breakers shall be provided with a device for locking circuit breaker in "OFF" position.

C. Panelboards – Branch Circuit:

- 1. Branch circuit panelboards shall be of the dead front safety type equipped with thermal-magnetic bolton type 40 deg C. circuit breakers. Panels shall be minimum 20" wide and 5-3/4" deep unless otherwise noted on plan. Refer to panel schedule for ratings and quantity of circuits to be provided. Panels shall be provided with copper busses.
- 2. Provide circuit breakers with minimum short circuit interrupting capacity of 22KAIC. Circuit breakers shall be the number of poles and current capacity as indicated on the panel schedule. Branch circuit panelboards shall be Eaton or approved equal Square D, General Electric, or ITE Siemens.
- 3. Trims shall have doors equipped with flush type combination lock and catch, two milled type keys supplied with each panel. All locks shall be keyed alike and each door shall have a plastic covered directory frame with a typed identification card of all circuit and panel numbers for branch circuit panelboards and engraved lamacoid nameplates for power distribution panelboards.
- 4. Provide nameplate for all panelboards, 1/8" thick, Micarta or Lamacoid plate of approved size, with bevelled edges and engraved white letters on black background. Install nameplates on exterior trim of panel, above the panel door.
- 5. All wiring shall be neatly arranged and laced together.
- 6. All circuit breakers shall be provided with a device for locking circuit breaker in "OFF" position.
- 7. Neutral and Ground bus bars shall be full size, rectangular in cross section constructed of copper and interconnections.

D. Conduit:

- 1. Rigid conduit shall be full weight threaded type aluminum or steel, except where specifically required to be steel. Steel conduit shall be protected by overall zinc coating to inside and outside surfaces, applied by the hot dip, metallizing or sherardizing process.
- 2. Galvanized Rigid Conduit (GRC), shall be full weight threaded type aluminum or steel, except where specifically required to be steel. Steel conduit shall be protected by overall zinc coating to inside and outside surfaces, applied by the hot dip, metallizing, or sherardizing process.
- 3. Intermediate Metal Conduit (IMC), shall be hot-dipped galvanized in accordance with UL 1242 and meeting Federal Specification WWC-581 (latest revision).
- Electrical Metallic Tubing (EMT), shall be zinc-coated steel with baked enamel or plastic finish on inside surfaces.
- 5. Flexible metal conduit shall be constructed of aluminum or hot-dipped galvanized steel strips wound spirally with interlocking edges to provide greatest flexibility with maximum strength. Interior surfaces shall be smooth and offer minimum drag to pulling in conductors.
- Liquid-tight conduit (Seal-Tite) shall be galvanized steel flexible conduit as above except with moisture and oil-proof jacket, pre-cut lengths and factory installed fittings. For outdoor installations and motor connection.

7. Non-Metallic Conduit:

- a. Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) rigid conduit, Schedule 40, Type II for underground installation only.
- b. Conduit and fitting shall be produced by the same manufacturer.

E. Fittings:

- Condulet type fittings shall be smooth inside and out, taper threaded with integral insulating bushing
 and of the shapes, sizes and types required to facilitate installation or removal of wires and cables from
 the conduit and tubing system. These fitting shall be of metal, smooth inside and out, thoroughly
 galvanized, and sherardized cadmium plated.
- 2. Metallic condulet covers shall have the same finish as the fitting and shall be provided for the opening of each fitting where conductor do not pass through the cover.
- 3. Connector, coupling, locknut, bushings and caps used with rigid conduit shall be steel, threaded and thoroughly galvanized. Bushings shall be insulated.
- 4. EMT fittings, connectors and couplings, shall be steel, zinc or cadmium plated, raintight, threadless, compression or tap-on multiple point, steel locking ring type with insulated throat.
- 5. Flexible steel conduit connectors shall be or malleable iron clamp or squeeze type or steel twist-in type with insulated throat. The finish shall be zinc or cadmium plating.
- 6. Die cast, set screw or indenter type fittings are not acceptable.
- Conduit unions shall be "Erickson" couplings, or approved equal. The use of running threads will not be permitted.

F. 600 Volt Conductors - Wire and Cable:

- 1. All conductors shall be copper. Simpull or equal.
- 2. Type THHN/THWN thermoplastic, 600 volt, UL approved, dry and wet locations, for conductor sizes up to and including #4 AWG.

- Type XHHW cross-linked synthetic polymer, 600 volt, UL approved, for dry and wet locations, for conductor sizes #2 AWG. and above.
- Cross-linked synthetic polymer, XHHW, 600 volts, UL approved, for installation underground, in concrete or masonry.
- 5. Wire and cable shall be new, manufactured not more than six (6) months prior to installation, shall have size, type of insulation, voltage rating and manufacturer's name permanently marked on outer covering at regular intervals.
- 6. Wire and cable shall be factory color coded by integral pigmentation with a separate color for each phase and neutral. Each system shall be color coded and it shall be maintained throughout.
- 7. Systems Conductor Color Coding:
 - a. Power 208/120V, 3PH, 4W:
 - (1) Phase A = Black
 - (2) Phase B = Red
 - (3) Phase C = Blue
 - (4) Neutral = White
 - (5) Switchlegs = Purple (Switchlegs shall
 - also be identified separately by numerical tags).
 - (6) Travelers = Purple with Black stripe.
 - b. Ground Conductors:
 - (1) Green.
- 8. All color coding for #8 conductor and above shall be as identified above, utilizing phase tape at each termination.
- 9. No conductors carrying 120 volt or more shall be smaller than #12 AWG.

G. Outlet Boxes

- 1. Unless otherwise noted on plan or specified herein, outlet boxes shall be 4" square x 2 1/8" deep, one-piece drawn steel, knockout type, mounted flush with in wall. Provide with plaster rings and wall plate.
- For locations where standard boxes are not suitable due to number and size of conduit to be terminated, special boxes shall be designed to fit space or meet other requirements and submitted for approval.
- 3. For surface mounting or exposure to wet or damp locations, outlet boxes shall be heavy cast aluminum or cast iron with threaded hubs; covers shall be watertight with gaskets and non-ferrous screws.

H. Junction and Pullboxes:

- 1. For interior dry locations, boxes shall be galvanized one-piece drawn steel, knockout type, with removable, machine screw secured covers.
- 2. For outside, damp or surface locations, boxes shall be heave cast aluminum or cast iron with removable, gasketed, non-ferrous machine screw secured covers.
- 3. All boxes shall be sized for the number and sizes of conductors and conduits entering the box and equipped with plaster rings where required. Each conductor shall be terminated at an insulated, barriered terminal connector and completely identified with an engraved fiber identification marker, Electrovert or Underwriter's Safety Device Company.
- Receptacles:

- 1. Convenience outlet shall consist of duplex convenience receptacle mounted in an outlet box in the wall, flush with the finish surface and shall be complete with plate.
- 2. Receptacles for convenience outlets, unless otherwise indicated, shall be duplex 3W grounding type, 20A, 125V, Hubbell-Bryant #5362-*. (*) color as selected by Architect.
- 3. Weatherproof receptacle shall be 20 ampere, three wire grounding type, 120 volt, Hubbell-Bryant #5362-I, with weatherproof metallic lockable lift cover, U.L. Listed for wet locations when in-use.
- Ground fault interrupter receptacles shall be 20A, 125V, Hubbell-Bryant #GF-5362 or approved equal, color as selected by Architect. Provide in weatherproof metallic lockable lift cover, U.L. Listed for wet locations when in-use where installed outdoors.

J. Switches:

- 1. Switches controlling or disconnecting single phase motor loads in excess of 1/3HP shall be horsepower rated and approved or motor control service. Switches shall be complete with overload device of proper motor nameplate rating, where required.
- 2. Disconnect (safety) switches shall be fused, heavy duty type meeting NEMA Specifications. Switches shall be provided with rejection type fuse blocks. Provide switches with the number of poles, the voltage, current and horsepower ratings as required. Provide externally operable, quickmake, quickbreak type mechanism with cover interlock and padlockable in either the open or closed position. Unless indicated otherwise, provide switches indoors in NEMA Type 1 enclosure and in NEMA Type 3R rain-tight enclosure where indicated to be outdoors or weatherproof. Provide nameplate indicating equipment served. Provide unit as manufactured by Challenger or approved equal Siemens or Westinghouse.

K. Painting:

- Junction boxes, pull boxes, etc., and conduit installed outdoors or in public view shall be painted with colors selected by the Architect to match the subject exterior surface. Refer to painting section of the specifications for additional requirements.
- L. Seismic Design and Anchoring of Electrical Equipment:
 - 1. Seismic anchorage of electrical equipment shall conform to C.C.R. Title 24, 2013 CBC.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 PREPARATION AND INSTALLATION

- A. Installation of Conduit and Outlet Boxes:
 - 1. All conduit exposed or installed in concrete and masonry walls, shall be galvanized rigid steel conduit (GRC), or intermediate metal conduit (IMC).
 - Rigid conduit may be installed under floor slabs, under concrete sidewalls and as noted on the Drawings. Rigid conduit installed under slabs shall be 1" trade size minimum and shall be wrapped with 20 mil. polyvinyl chloride plastic tape.
 - 3. All conduit except as hereinafter specified, installed in concrete or masonry, or damp or hazardous location, or subject to mechanical injury shall be heavy wall, threaded, galvanized rigid steel conduit (GRC), or intermediate metal conduit (IMC).
 - 4. Flexible steel conduit shall only be permitted to be used at connections to vibrating electrical equipment. All flexible steel conduit runs shall be less than 6'-0". All outdoor installation shall be made using liquid-

- tight flex with approved fittings. Use of flexible conduit shall be as approved by the Engineer.
- 5. Intermediate metal conduit (IMC), is approved for use in all locations as approved for GRC or EMT and in accordance with Article 345 of CEC and UL Information card #DYBY.
- 6. All conduit installed in the dry walls or ceilings of the building shall be steel tube (EMT), Galvanized Rigid Steel (GRC), or Intermediate Metal Conduit (IMC).
- 7. Conduit shall be run so as not to interfere with other piping fixtures or equipment.
- 8. The ends of all conduit shall be cut square, carefully reamed out to full size and shall be shouldered in fitting.
- 9. No running threads will be permitted in locations exposed to the weather, in concrete or underground. Special union fittings shall be used in these locations.
- 10. Underground conduit shall be, unless otherwise indicated, Schedule 40 PVC (polyvinyl chloride) installed at depth of not less than 24" below grade, concrete encased with a minimum of 3" concrete envelope and 2" minimum between conduits. Conduit separation shall be maintained using plastic spacers located at 10'-0" intervals. Where power and communication/signal conduits are run in a common trench a (12") inch minimum separation shall be maintained between power and communication/signal conduits. The grounding wire in plastic conduit shall be rated in accordance with Article 250 of 2013 CEC.
- 11. All underground conduit shall be 1" minimum trade size for steel and for PVC.
- 12. Where underground conduit runs stub-up, conduit shall transition to GRC underground. The contractor shall use GRC elbows and GRC risers wrapped in 20 mil. PVC tape for stub-ups.
- 13. PVC conduit shall not be run in walls.
- 14. Where underground conduit runs penetrate floor slab, conduit shall terminate flush with the floor slab using a flush coupling.
- 15. Where conductors enter a raceway in a cabinet, pull box, junction box, or auxiliary gutter, the conductors shall be protected by a plastic bushing type fitting providing a smoothly rounded insulating surface.
- 16. Where conduit extends through roof to equipment on roof area, this Contractor shall provide 24 gauge galvanized sheet metal flashing cones with 4" flanges on roof surface. This flashing shall be delivered to the roofing contractor for installation. The actual location of all such roof penetrations and outlet shall be verified by the Contractor.
- 17. All conduit underground, in masonry and concrete walls, and where concealed under floor slabs shall have joints painted with thread compound prior to makeup. No conduit shall be installed horizontally in concrete walls or floors.
- 18. All conduit shall be supported at intervals not less than 6'-0" and within 12" from any outlet and at each side of bends and elbows. Conduit supports shall be galvanized, heavy stamped, two hole conduit clamp properly secured.
- 19. Where conduit racks are used the rack shall consist of two piece conduit clamps attached to galvanized steel slotted channels, properly secured via threaded rods attached directly to the building structure.
- 20. Nail-in conduit supports will not be allowed. One piece set-screw type conduit clamps or perforated iron for supporting conduit will not be permitted.
- 21. Seismic Conduit Support:
 - a. All conduit shall be supported in such a manner that it is securely attached to the structure of the

building. Attachment is to be capable of supporting the tributary weight of conduit and contents in any direction. Maximum spacing of support and braces are to be as follows:

CONDUIT SIZE MAXIMUM SPACING

1/2" to 3" Standard incl. 6'-0 3-1/2" to 4" Standard incl. 8'-0"

- 22. All conduit runs shall be installed parallel or perpendicular to walls, structural members, or intersection of vertical planes and ceilings. Field made bends and offset shall be avoided where possible. Crushed or deformed raceway shall not be installed.
- 23. Open knockouts in outlet boxes only where required for inserting conduit.
- 24. Outlet boxes on metal studs shall be attached to metal hangers, tack welded or bolted to studs; on wood studs attachment shall be with wood screws, nails not acceptable.
- 25. Surface mounted panels secured to stud walls shall be secured to wall using 1/2" x 3" screws into steel backing plate provided by the Architect.
- 26. All boxes shall be covered with outlet box protector, Appleton SB-CK. Keep dirt from entering box or panels. If dirt does get in, it shall be removed prior to pulling wires.
- 27. All boxes installed outdoors shall be suitable for outdoor installations, gasketed, screw cover and painted as directed by the Architect with weatherproof paint to match building.
- 28. All conduit entries to outdoor mounted panels, cabinets, boxes, etc., shall be made using Myers "SCRUTITE" hubs Series ST.
- 29. All conduit shall have a 200 lb test poly-propylene pull line left in place for future use in all runs tagged with a plastic tag at terminating end indicating the location of the opposite end of the conduit.
- 30. All rotating electrical equipment shall be supplied with flexible, liquid-tight conduit with appropriate slack and shall not exceed thirty-six (36) inches.
- 31. All multiple conduit runs within suspended ceilings shall be suspended from building structure by means of unistrut hangers/rack, see note 19. Refer to note 18 for support of single conduit runs within suspended ceilings. Conduit shall not be allowed to lay on ceiling or be supported from ceiling suspension wires or other suspension system.

B. Installation of 600 Volt Conductors:

- 1. All line and low voltage wire, including control circuits, shall be installed in conduit.
- All circuits and feeder wires for all systems shall be continuous from the service point to terminal or farthest outlet. No joints shall be made except in pull, junction or outlet boxes, or in panel or switchboard gutters.
- 3. Thoroughly clean all conduit and wire-ways and see that all parts are perfectly dry before pulling any wires. No joint shall be made except in pull, junction or outlet boxes, or in panel or switchboard gutters.

C. Joints in 600 Volt Conductors:

 Joints in 600 volt conductors smaller than No. 4 AWG shall be made with Scotchlok spring type connectors. Wires No 4 AWG and larger shall be joined together with approved type of pressure connector and taped with #33 3M tape, three (3) layers minimum to provide insulation not less than that of conductor. Connections to switch or busbar shall be made with one-piece copper lugs. Splicing of all 600 volt or less in-line connections #2 AWG through 350 MCM shall be made with 3M brand PST connector. Joints/splices will not be permitted in underground pull boxes unless specifically authorized by the Engineer.

D. Grounding:

- 1. Provide grounding for entire electric installation as shown on plans and as required by applicable codes. Included as requiring grounding are:
 - a. Conduit.
 - b. Neutral or identified conductors of interior wiring system.
 - c. Switchboards and Branch Circuit Panelboards.
 - d. Non-current carrying metal parts of fixed equipment.
- 2. Grounding and bonding conductors shall be sized per the latest edition of the California Code of Regulations, Title 24, State of California and CEC,
- 3. Provide and install an equipment grounding conductor in all feeder and branch circuit conduits.
- 4. Where required to be installed, ground rods shall be 3/4" x 10', copper clad, installed individually or grouped as required to meet the specified resistance. Provide ground rods with all required clamps, fittings, wire and concrete boxes.
- 5. Building grounding system resistance to ground shall not exceed 25 ohm.
- E. Prefabricated Equipment: Installation of all prefabricated items and equipment shall conform to the requirements of the manufacturer's specifications and installation instruction pamphlets. Where code requirements affect installation of materials and equipment, the more stringent requirements, code or manufacturer's instructions and/or specifications, shall govern the work.

END OF SECTION