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Addendum No. 2

Dear Contractor:

This addendum is being issued to the contract for CONSTRUCTION ON STATE HIGHWAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN LOS ANGELES FROM CENTINELA AVENUE UNDERCROSSING TO ROUTE 405.

Submit bids for this work with the understanding and full consideration of this addendum. The revisions declared in this addendum are an essential part of the contract.

Bids for this work will be opened on Thursday, May 17, 2012. The original bid opening date was previously postponed indefinitely under Addendum No. 1 dated Feb. 28, 2012.

This addendum is being issued to set a new bid opening date as shown herein, revise the Project Plans, the Notice to Bidders and Special Provisions, the Bid book and the Federal Minimum Wages with Modification Number 4 dated 4/27/12.

Project Plan Sheets 1, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38 and 43 are revised. Copies of the revised sheets are attached for substitution for the like-numbered sheets.

Project Plan Sheets 44A, 44B, 44C, 44D, 44E, 44F, 44G and 44H are added. Copies of the added sheets are attached for addition to the project plans.

In the Special Provisions, Section 10-1.245, "PILING," is added after the Section 10-1.24, "CONCRETE STRUCTURES," as attached.

In the Special Provisions, Section 10-3.01, "DESCRIPTION," is revised as follows:

> "Modify lighting and sign illumination, modify communication system, traffic monitoring stations, lighting (temporary) and maintaining existing traffic management system elements during construction shall conform to the provisions in Section 86, "Electrical Systems," of the Standard Specifications and these special provisions."

In the Special Provisions, Section 10-3.04, "CAST-IN-DRILLED-HOLE CONCRETE PILE FOUNDATIONS," the second paragraph is revised as follows:

> "Comply with Section 86-2.03, "Foundations," of the Standard Specifications and "Piling" of these special provisions."

In the Special Provisions, Section 10-3.06, "CONDUIT," the fifth paragraph is deleted.

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In the Special Provisions, Section 10-3.09, "SERVICE," is deleted.

In the Special Provisions, Section 10-3.10, "NUMBERING ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT," is revised as follows:

"Self-adhesive reflective numbers and edge sealer shall be Contractor-furnished. The numbers and edge sealer shall be placed on the equipment where designated by the Engineer. Reflective numbers shall be applied to a clean surface. Only the edges of the numbers shall be treated with edge sealer. Where shown on the plans, 6 digit, self-adhesive equipment numbers shall be placed for all electroliers. Adhesive numbers for all locations shall be white reflective adhesive sheeting, 3" in width, with 3", Black Series D letters and numbers. The letters and numbers may be screened on to the reflective sheeting or may be die cut and adhesively attached. The labels for each location may be individual characters applied or a continuous strip applied. Reflective sheeting, numbers and letters shall comply with the respective specifications in the Department of Transportation publication, "Specifications for Aluminum Reflective Sheeting Signs.""

In the Special Provisions, Section 3.11, "DETECTORS," is revised as follows:

"Loop detector lead-in cable shall be Type B.
For Type E detector loops, sides of the slot shall be vertical and the minimum radius of the slot entering and leaving the circular part of tile loop shall be 1-1/2 inches. Slot width shall be a maximum of 5/8 inch. Loop wire for circular loops shall be Type 2. Slots of circular loops shall be filled with hot melt rubberized asphalt sealant.
Slots in portland cement concrete shall be filled with elastomeric sealant or hot-melt rubberized asphalt sealant, or shall be filled with an epoxy sealant conforming to the provisions in Section 95-2.09, "Epoxy Sealant for Inductive Loops," of the Standard Specifications."

In the Special Provisions, Section 10-3.13, "MODIFY COMMUNICATION SYSTEM," is replaced as attached.

In the Special Provisions, Section 10-3.15, "PAYMENT," is deleted.

In the Special Provisions, Section 10-3.16, "MODIFY COMMUNICATION SYSTEM," is deleted.

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In the Bid book, in the "Bid Item List," Items 42 and 43 are added and Item 41 is deleted as attached.

To Bid book holders:

Replace page 5 of the "Bid Item List" in the Bid book with the attached revised page 5 of the Bid Item List. The revised Bid Item List is to be used in the bid.

Inquiries or questions in regard to this addendum must be communicated as a bidder inquiry and must be made as noted in the Notice to Bidders section of the Notice to Bidders and Special Provisions.

Indicate receipt of this addendum by filling in the number of this addendum in the space provided on the signature page of the Bid book.

Submit bids in the Bid book you now possess. Holders who have already mailed their book will be contacted to arrange for the return of their book.

Inform subcontractors and suppliers as necessary.

This addendum, attachments and modified wage rates are available for the Contractors' download on the Web site:

http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/project_ads_addenda/07/07-275804

If you are not a Bid book holder, but request a book to bid on this project, you must comply with the requirements of this letter before submitting your bid.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

10-1.245 PILING

GENERAL

Piling shall conform to the provisions in Section 49, "Piling," of the Standard Specifications, and these special provisions.

Unless otherwise specified, welding of any work performed in conformance with the provisions in Section 49, "Piling," of the Standard Specifications, shall be in conformance with the requirements in AWS D1.1.

Attention is directed to "Project Information," and "Welding" of these special provisions.

CAST-IN-DRILLED-HOLE CONCRETE PILES

GENERAL

Summary

Cast-in-drilled-hole (CIDH) concrete piling shall conform to the provisions in Section 49-4, "Cast-In-Place Concrete Piles," of the Standard Specifications and these special provisions.

The provisions of "Welding" of these special provisions shall not apply to temporary steel casings.

Definitions

dry hole:

1. Except for CIDH concrete piles specified as end bearing, a drilled hole that:
   1.1. Accumulates no more than 12 inches of water in the bottom of the drilled hole during a period of 1 hour without any pumping from the hole during the hour.
   1.2. Has no more than 3 inches of water in the bottom of the drilled hole immediately before placing concrete.
2. For CIDH concrete piles specified as end bearing, a drilled hole free of water without the use of pumps.

Submittals

Pile Installation Plan

The Contractor shall submit a pile installation plan to the Engineer for approval for all CIDH concrete piling. The pile installation plan shall be submitted at least 15 days before constructing CIDH concrete piling and shall include complete descriptions, details, and supporting calculations for the following:

A. Concrete mix design, certified test data, and trial batch reports.
B. Drilling or coring methods and equipment.
C. Proposed method for casing installation and removal when necessary.
D. Methods for placing, positioning, and supporting bar reinforcement. If plastic spacers are proposed for use, include the manufacturer's data and a sample of the plastic spacer.
E. Methods and equipment for determining the depth of concrete and actual and theoretical volume placed, including effects on volume of concrete when any casings are withdrawn.
F. Methods and equipment for verifying that the bottom of the drilled hole is clean before placing concrete.
G. Methods and equipment for preventing upward movement of reinforcement, including the Contractor's means of detecting and measuring upward movement during concrete placement operations.

For concrete placed under slurry, the pile installation plan shall also include complete descriptions, details, and supporting calculations for the following:

A. Concrete batching, delivery, and placing systems, including time schedules and capacities. Time schedules shall include the time required for each concrete placing operation at each pile.
B. Concrete placing rate calculations. When requested by the Engineer, calculations shall be based on the initial pump pressures or static head on the concrete and losses throughout the placing system, including anticipated head of slurry and concrete to be displaced.
C. Suppliers' test reports on the physical and chemical properties of the slurry and any proposed slurry chemical additives, including Material Safety Data Sheet.
D. Slurry testing equipment and procedures.
E. Methods of removal and disposal of excavation, slurry, and contaminated concrete, including removal rates.
F. Methods and equipment for slurry agitating, recirculating, and cleaning.

QUALITY ASSURANCE

Concrete Test Batch

Before concrete is deposited under slurry, a concrete test batch shall be produced and delivered to the project under conditions and in time periods similar to those expected during placement of concrete in the piles. Concrete shall be placed in an excavated hole or suitable container of adequate size to allow for testing as specified herein. Depositing of concrete under slurry will not be required. In addition to meeting the specified nominal slump, the concrete test batch shall meet the following requirements:

A. For piles where the time required for each concrete placing operation, as submitted in the placing plan, will be 2 hours or less, the concrete test batch shall demonstrate that the proposed concrete mix design achieves a slump of at least 7 inches after twice that time has elapsed.
B. For piles where the time required for each concrete placing operation, as submitted in the placing plan, will be more than 2 hours, the concrete test batch shall demonstrate that the proposed concrete mix design achieves a slump of at least 7 inches after that time plus 2 hours has elapsed.

The time period shall begin at the start of placement. Concrete shall not be vibrated or agitated during the test period. Slump tests will be performed in conformance with the requirements in California Test 556.

Upon completion of testing, concrete shall be disposed of in conformance with the provisions in Section 7-1.13, "Disposal of Material Outside the Highway Right of Way," of the Standard Specifications.

Preconstruction Meeting

A preconstruction meeting for CIDH concrete pile construction shall be held (1) at least 5 business days after submitting the pile installation plan and (2) at least 10 days before the start of CIDH concrete pile construction.

The meeting shall include the Engineer, the Contractor, and any subcontractors involved in the CIDH concrete pile construction.

The purpose of this meeting is to:

A. Establish contacts and communication protocol between the Contractor, any subcontractors involved in CIDH concrete pile construction, and the Engineer
B. Review the construction process, acceptance testing, and anomaly mitigation of CIDH concrete piles

The Contractor shall schedule the meeting and provide a facility for the meeting. The Engineer will conduct the meeting. The following will be discussed:

A. Pile placement plan, dry and wet
B. Acceptance testing, including gamma-gamma logging, cross-hole sonic logging, and coring
C. Pile Design Data Form
D. Mitigation process
E. Timeline and critical path activities
F. Structural, geotechnical, and corrosion design requirements
G. Future meetings, if necessary, for pile mitigation and pile mitigation plan review
H. Safety requirements, including Cal/OSHA and Tunnel Safety Orders

MATERIALS

Concrete

Concrete deposited under slurry shall have a nominal slump equal to or greater than 7 inches, contain not less than 675 pounds of cementitious material per cubic yard, and be proportioned to prevent excessive bleed water and segregation. The nominal and maximum slump and penetration requirements in Section 90-6.06, "Amount of Water and Penetration," of the Standard Specifications shall not apply.

Aggregate Grading

The combined aggregate grading shall be either the 1-inch maximum grading, the 1/2-inch maximum grading, or the 3/8-inch maximum grading and shall conform to the requirements in Section 90-3, "Aggregate Gradings," of the Standard Specifications.

When concrete is placed under slurry, the combined aggregate grading shall be either the 1/2-inch maximum grading or the 3/8-inch maximum grading and shall conform to the requirements in Section 90-3, "Aggregate Gradings," of the Standard Specifications.

Grout

Aggregate shall be used to extend the grout, but only to the extent that the cementitious material content of the grout is not less than 845 pounds per cubic yard of grout. California Test 541 will not be required nor will the grout be required to pass through a sieve with a 0.07-inch maximum clear opening before being introduced into the grout pump. Aggregate shall consist of at least 70 percent fine aggregate and approximately 30 percent pea gravel, by weight. Fine aggregate shall conform to the provisions of Section 90-2, "Materials," of the Standard Specifications. The size of pea gravel shall be such that 100 percent passes the 1/2-inch sieve, a minimum of 90 percent passes the 3/8-inch sieve, and not more than 5 percent passes the No. 8 sieve.

Spacers

Spacers shall conform to Section 52-1.07, "Placing," of the Standard Specifications, except plastic spacers may be used.

Plastic spacers shall conform to Sections 3.4 and 3.5 of the Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute's "Manual of Standard Practice" and shall have at least 25 percent of their gross plane area perforated to compensate for the difference in the coefficient of thermal expansion between the plastic and concrete. Plastic spacers shall be commercial quality.

SLURRY

Mineral Slurry

Mineral slurry shall be mixed and thoroughly hydrated in slurry tanks, and slurry shall be sampled from the slurry tanks and tested before placement in the drilled hole.

Slurry shall be recirculated or continuously agitated in the drilled hole to maintain the specified properties.

Recirculation shall include removal of drill cuttings from the slurry before discharging the slurry back into the drilled hole. When recirculation is used, the slurry shall be sampled and tested at least every 2 hours after beginning its use until tests show that the samples taken from the slurry tank and from near the bottom of the hole have consistent specified properties. Subsequently, slurry shall be sampled at least twice per shift as long as the specified properties remain consistent.

Slurry that is not recirculated in the drilled hole shall be sampled and tested at least every 2 hours after beginning its use. The slurry shall be sampled mid-height and near the bottom of the hole. Slurry shall be recirculated when tests show that the samples taken from mid-height and near the bottom of the hole do not have consistent specified properties.

Slurry shall also be sampled and tested before final cleaning of the bottom of the hole and again just before placing concrete. Samples shall be taken from mid-height and near the bottom of the hole. Cleaning of the bottom of the hole and placement of the concrete shall not start until tests show that the samples taken from mid-height and near the bottom of the hole have consistent specified properties.

Mineral slurry shall be tested for conformance to the requirements shown in the following table:

MINERAL SLURRY		
PROPERTY	REQUIREMENT	TEST
Density (pcf) - before placement in the drilled hole - during drilling - before final cleaning - immediately before placing concrete	64.3* to 69.1* 64.3* to 75.0*	Mud Weight (Density) API 13B-1 Section 1
Viscosity (seconds/quart) bentonite attapulgite	28 to 50 28 to 40	Marsh Funnel and Cup API 13B-1 Section 2.2
pH	8 to 10.5	Glass Electrode pH Meter or pH Paper
Sand Content (percent) - before final cleaning - immediately before placing concrete	less than or equal to 4.0	Sand API 13B-1 Section 5
*When approved by the Engineer, slurry may be used in salt water, and the allowable densities may be increased up to 2 pcf. Slurry temperature shall be at least 40 °F when tested.		

Any caked slurry on the sides or bottom of hole shall be removed before placing reinforcement. If concrete is not placed immediately after placing reinforcement, the reinforcement shall be removed and cleaned of slurry, the sides of the drilled hole cleaned of caked slurry, and the reinforcement again placed in the hole for concrete placement.

Synthetic Slurry

Synthetic slurries shall be used in conformance with the manufacturer's recommendations and these special provisions. The following synthetic slurries may be used:

PRODUCT	MANUFACTURER
SlurryPro CDP	KB Technologies Ltd. 3648 FM 1960 West Suite 107 Houston, TX 77068 (800) 525-5237
Super Mud	PDS Company c/o Champion Equipment Company 8140 East Rosecrans Ave. Paramount, CA 90723 (562) 634-8180
Shore Pac GCV	CETCO Drilling Products Group 1350 West Shure Drive Arlington Heights, IL 60004 (847) 392-5800
Terragel of Novagel Polymer	Geo-Tech Drilling Fluids 220 N. Zapata Hwy, Suite 11A Laredo, TX 78043 (210) 587-4758

Inclusion of a synthetic slurry on the above list may be obtained by meeting the Department's requirements for synthetic slurries. The requirements can be obtained from the Offices of_Structures Design, P.O. Box 168041, MS# 9-4/11G, Sacramento, CA 95816-8041.

Synthetic slurries listed may not be appropriate for a given site.

Synthetic slurries shall not be used in holes drilled in primarily soft or very soft cohesive soils as determined by the Engineer.

A manufacturer's representative, as approved by the Engineer, shall provide technical assistance for the use of their product, shall be at the site before introduction of the synthetic slurry into a drilled hole, and shall remain at the site until released by the Engineer.

Synthetic slurries shall be sampled and tested at both mid-height and near the bottom of the drilled hole. Samples shall be taken and tested during drilling as necessary to verify the control of the properties of the slurry. Samples shall be taken and tested when drilling is complete, but before final cleaning of the bottom of the hole. When samples are in conformance with the requirements shown in the following tables for each slurry product, the bottom of the hole shall be cleaned and any loose or settled material removed. Samples shall be obtained and tested after final cleaning and immediately before placing concrete.

SlurryPro CDP synthetic slurries shall be tested for conformance to the requirements shown in the following table:

SLURRYPRO CDP KB Technologies Ltd.		
PROPERTY	REQUIREMENT	TEST
Density (pcf) - during drilling - before final cleaning - just before placing concrete	 less than or equal to 67.0* less than or equal to 64.0*	Mud Weight (Density) API 13B-1 Section 1
Viscosity (seconds/quart) - during drilling -before final cleaning - just before placing concrete	 50 to 120 less than or equal to 70	Marsh Funnel and Cup API 13B-1 Section 2.2
pH	6 to 11.5	Glass Electrode pH Meter or pH Paper
Sand Content (percent) - before final cleaning - just before placing concrete	 less than or equal to 0.5	Sand API 13B-1 Section 5
*When approved by the Engineer, slurry may be used in salt water, and the allowable densities may be increased up to 2 pcf. Slurry temperature shall be at least 40 °F when tested.		

Super Mud synthetic slurries shall be tested for conformance to the requirements shown in the following table:

SUPER MUD PDS Company		
PROPERTY	REQUIREMENT	TEST
Density (pcf) - before final cleaning - just before placing concrete	less than or equal to 64.0*	Mud Weight (Density) API 13B-1 Section 1
Viscosity (seconds/quart) - during drilling - before final cleaning - just before placing concrete	32 to 60 less than or equal to 60	Marsh Funnel and Cup API 13B-1 Section 2.2
pH	8 to 10.0	Glass Electrode pH Meter or pH Paper
Sand Content (percent) - before final cleaning -just before placing concrete	less than or equal to 0.5	Sand API 13B-1 Section 5
*When approved by the Engineer, slurry may be used in salt water, and the allowable densities may be increased up to 2 pcf. Slurry temperature shall be at least 40 °F when tested.		

Shore Pac GCV synthetic slurries shall be tested for conformance to the requirements shown in the following table:

Shore Pac GCV CETCO Drilling Products Group		
PROPERTY	REQUIREMENT	TEST
Density (pcf) - before final cleaning - just before placing concrete	less than or equal to 64.0*	Mud Weight (Density) API 13B-1 Section 1
Viscosity (seconds/quart) - during drilling - before final cleaning - just before placing concrete	33 to 74 less than or equal to 57	Marsh Funnel and Cup API 13B-1 Section 2.2
pH	8.0 to 11.0	Glass Electrode pH Meter or pH Paper
Sand Content (percent) - before final cleaning -just before placing concrete	less than or equal to 0.5	Sand API 13B-1 Section 5
*When approved by the Engineer, slurry may be used in salt water, and the allowable densities may be increased up to 2 pcf. Slurry temperature shall be at least 40 °F when tested.		

Terragel or Novagel Polymer synthetic slurries shall be tested for conformance to the requirements shown in the following table:

TERRAGEL OR NOVAGEL POLYMER Geo-Tech Drilling Fluids		
PROPERTY	REQUIREMENT	TEST
Density (pcf) - during drilling - before final cleaning - just before placing concrete	 less than or equal to 67.0* less than or equal to 64.0*	Mud Weight (Density) API 13B-1 Section 1
Viscosity (seconds/quart) - during drilling - before final cleaning - just before placing concrete	 45 to 104 less than or equal to 104	Marsh Funnel and Cup API 13B-1 Section 2.2
pH	6.0 to 11.5	Glass Electrode pH Meter or pH Paper
Sand Content (percent) - before final cleaning -just before placing concrete	 less than or equal to 0.5	Sand API 13B-1 Section 5
*When approved by the Engineer, slurry may be used in salt water, and the allowable densities may be increased up to 2 pcf. Slurry temperature shall be at least 40 °F when tested.		

Water Slurry

At the option of the Contractor, water may be used as slurry when casing is used for the entire length of the drilled hole. Water slurry shall be tested for conformance to the requirements shown in the following table:

WATER SLURRY		
PROPERTY	REQUIREMENT	TEST
Density (pcf) - before final cleaning - just before placing concrete	63.5*	Mud Weight (Density) API 13B-1 Section 1
Sand Content (percent) - before final cleaning -just before placing concrete	less than or equal to 0.5	Sand API 13B-1 Section 5
*When approved by the Engineer, salt water slurry may be used and the allowable densities may be increased up to 2 pcf.		

CONSTRUCTION

General

CIDH concrete piling 24 inches in diameter or larger may be constructed by excavation and depositing concrete under slurry.

Disposal of drill cuttings shall conform to the provisions in Materials Containing Hazardous Waste of these special provisions.

Portions of CIDH concrete piling shown on the plans to be formed shall be formed and finished in conformance with the provisions for concrete structures in Section 51, "Concrete Structures," of the Standard Specifications.

Unless otherwise shown on the plans, the bar reinforcing steel cage shall have at least 3 inches of clear cover measured from the outside of the cage to the sides of the hole or casing.

Spacers shall be placed at least 5 inches clear from any inspection tubes. Plastic spacers shall be placed around the circumference of the cage and at intervals along the length of the cage, as recommended by the manufacturer of the plastic spacer.

Placing Concrete

Concrete deposited under slurry shall be carefully placed in a compact, monolithic mass and by a method that will prevent washing of the concrete. Concrete deposited under slurry need not be vibrated. Placing concrete shall be a continuous operation lasting not more than the time required for each concrete placing operation at each pile, as submitted in the placing plan, unless otherwise approved in writing by the Engineer. Concrete shall be placed with concrete pumps and delivery tube system of adequate number and size to complete the placing of concrete in the time specified. The delivery tube system shall consist of one of the following:

A. A tremie tube or tubes, each of which are at least 10 inches in diameter, fed by one or more concrete pumps.
B. One or more concrete pump tubes, each fed by a single concrete pump.

The delivery tube system shall consist of watertight tubes with sufficient rigidity to keep the ends always in the mass of concrete placed. If only one delivery tube is utilized to place the concrete, the tube shall be placed near the center of the drilled hole. Multiple tubes shall be uniformly spaced in the hole. Internal bracing for the steel reinforcing cage shall accommodate the delivery tube system. Tremies shall not be used for piles without space for a 10-inch tube.

Spillage of concrete into the slurry during concrete placing operations shall not be allowed. Delivery tubes shall be capped with a watertight cap, or plugged above the slurry level with a good quality, tight fitting, moving plug that will expel the slurry from the tube as the tube is charged with concrete. The cap or plug shall be designed to be released as the tube is charged. The pump discharge or tremie tube shall extend to the bottom of the hole before charging the tube with concrete. After charging the delivery tube system with concrete, the flow of concrete through a tube shall be induced by slightly raising the discharge end. During concrete placement, the tip of the delivery tube shall be maintained as follows to prevent reentry of the slurry into the tube. Until at least 10 feet of concrete has been placed, the tip of the delivery tube shall be within 6 inches of the bottom of the drilled hole, and then the embedment of the tip shall be maintained at least 10 feet below the top surface of the concrete. Rapid raising or lowering of the delivery tube shall not be permitted. If the seal is lost or the delivery tube becomes plugged and must be removed, the tube shall be withdrawn, the tube cleaned, the tip of the tube capped to prevent entrance of the slurry, and the operation restarted by pushing the capped tube 10 feet into the concrete and then reinitiating the flow of concrete.

When slurry is used, a fully operational standby concrete pump, adequate to complete the work in the time specified, shall be provided at the site during concrete placement. The slurry level shall be maintained 10 feet above the piezometric head or within 12 inches of the top of the drilled hole, whichever is higher.

A log of concrete placement for each drilled hole shall be maintained by the Contractor when concrete is deposited under slurry. The log shall show the pile location, tip elevation, dates of excavation and concrete placement, total quantity of concrete deposited, length and tip elevation of any casing, and details of any hole stabilization method and materials used. The log shall include a 8-1/2" x 11" sized graph of the concrete placed versus depth of hole filled. The graph shall be plotted continuously throughout placing of concrete. The depth of drilled hole filled shall be plotted vertically with the pile tip oriented at the bottom and the quantity of concrete shall be plotted horizontally. Readings shall be made at least at each 5 feet of pile depth, and the time of the reading shall be indicated. The graph shall be labeled with the pile location, tip elevation, cutoff elevation, and the dates of excavation and concrete placement. The log shall be delivered to the Engineer within 1 working day of completion of placing concrete in the pile.

After placing reinforcement and before placing concrete in the drilled hole, if drill cuttings settle out of the slurry, the bottom of the drilled hole shall be cleaned. The Contractor shall verify that the bottom of the drilled hole is clean.

If a temporary casing is used, maintain concrete placed under slurry at a level at least 5 feet above the bottom of the casing. The equivalent hydrostatic pressure inside the casing must be greater than the hydrostatic pressure on the outside of the casing. The withdrawal of the casing must not cause contamination of the concrete with slurry.

Material resulting from using slurry shall be disposed of in conformance with the provisions in Section 7-1.13, "Disposal of Material Outside the Highway Right of Way," of the Standard Specifications.

Disposal of material resulting from using slurry shall conform to the provisions in Materials Containing Hazardous Waste of these special provisions.

Acceptance Testing and Mitigation

Vertical inspection pipes for acceptance testing shall be provided in all CIDH concrete piling 24 inches in diameter or larger, except when the holes are dry or when the holes are dewatered without the use of temporary casing in a manner that controls ground water.

The furnishing and placing of inspection pipes shall conform to the following:

A. Inspection pipes shall be Schedule 40 PVC pipe conforming to ASTM D 1785 with a nominal pipe size of 2 inches. Watertight PVC couplers conforming to ASTM D 2466 are permitted to facilitate pipe lengths in excess of those which are commercially available. The Contractor shall log the location of the inspection pipe couplers with respect to the plane of pile cut off, and these logs shall be delivered to the Engineer upon completion of the placement of concrete in the drilled hole.

B. Each inspection pipe shall be capped at the bottom and shall extend from 3 feet above the pile cutoff down to the bottom of the reinforcing cage. A temporary top cap or similar means shall be provided to keep the pipes clean before testing. If pile cutoff is below the ground surface or working platform, inspection pipes shall be extended to 3 feet above the ground surface or working platform. Approved covers or railings shall be provided and inspection pipes shall be located as necessary to minimize exposure of testing personnel to potential falling hazards.

C. Inspection pipes shall be completely clean, dry, and unobstructed at the time of testing providing a 2-inch diameter clear opening.
D. The inspection pipes shall be installed in straight alignment, parallel to the main reinforcement, and securely fastened in place to prevent misalignment during installation of the reinforcement and placing of concrete in the hole. The CIDH concrete piling shall be constructed so that the relative distance of inspection pipes to vertical steel reinforcement shall remain constant.
E. When any changes are made to the tip of CIDH concrete piling, the Contractor shall also extend the inspection pipes to the bottom of the reinforcing cage.

The following additional requirements apply if inspection pipes are not shown on the plans:

A. Inspection pipes shall be placed radially around the pile, inside the outermost spiral or hoop reinforcement and no more than 1 inch clear of the outermost spiral or hoop reinforcement.
B. Inspection pipes shall be placed around the pile at a uniform spacing not exceeding 33 inches measured along the circle passing through the centers of inspection pipes. A minimum of 2 inspection pipes per pile shall be used. Inspection pipes shall be placed to provide the maximum diameter circle that passes through the centers of the inspection pipes while maintaining the spacing required herein.
C. Inspection pipes shall be placed a minimum of 3 inches clear of the vertical reinforcement. When the vertical reinforcement configuration does not permit this clearance while achieving radial location requirements, distance to vertical rebar shall be maximized while still maintaining the requirement for radial location.
D. Where the dimensions of the pile reinforcement do not permit inspection pipes to be placed per these requirements, a plan for tube placement shall be submitted to the Engineer for approval in the Pile Placement Plan with a request for deviation before fabricating pile reinforcement.

After placing concrete, inspection pipes shall be filled with water to prevent debonding of the pipe. Before requesting acceptance tests, each inspection pipe shall be tested by the Contractor in the presence of the Engineer by passing a 1-1/4-inch-diameter rigid cylinder 4.5 feet long through the length of pipe. If an inspection pipe fails to pass the 1-1/4-inch-diameter cylinder, the Contractor shall immediately fill all inspection pipes in the pile with water.

For each inspection pipe that does not pass the 1-1/4-inch-diameter cylinder, the Contractor shall core a nominal 2-inch diameter hole through the concrete for the entire length of the pile. Cored holes shall be located as close as possible to the inspection pipes they are replacing and shall be no more than 5 inches clear from the reinforcement.

Coring shall not damage the pile reinforcement. Cored holes shall be made with a double wall core barrel system utilizing a split tube type inner barrel. Coring with a solid type inner barrel will not be allowed. Coring methods and equipment shall provide intact cores for the entire length of the pile. The coring operation shall be logged by an Engineering Geologist or Civil Engineer licensed in the State of California and experienced in core logging. Coring logs shall be in conformance with the Department's "Soil and Rock Logging, Classification, and Presentation Manual." Coring logs shall include Core Recovery (REC), Rock Quality Designation (RQD), locations of breaks, and complete descriptions of inclusions and voids encountered during coring, and shall be delivered to the Engineer upon completion. Concrete cores shall be preserved, identified with the exact location the core was recovered from within the pile, and delivered to the Engineer upon completion. The Engineer will evaluate the portion of the pile represented by the cored hole based on the submitted core logs.

Acceptance tests of the concrete will be made by the Engineer, without cost to the Contractor. Acceptance tests will evaluate the homogeneity of the placed concrete. Tests will include gamma-gamma logging conducted in conformance with California Test 233. The Contractor shall not conduct operations within 25 feet of the gamma-gamma logging operations. The Contractor shall separate reinforcing steel as necessary to allow the Engineer access to the inspection pipes to perform gamma-gamma logging or other acceptance testing. After requesting acceptance tests and providing access to the piles, the Contractor shall allow 15 days for the Engineer to conduct these tests and make determination of acceptance.

If acceptance testing performed by the Engineer determines that a pile does not meet the requirements of the specifications and California Test 233, Part 5C, then that pile will be rejected and all depositing of concrete under slurry or concrete placed using temporary casing for the purpose of controlling groundwater shall be suspended until written changes to the methods of pile construction are approved in writing by the Engineer.

The Engineer will determine whether the rejected pile requires mitigation due to structural, geotechnical, or corrosion concerns. The Engineer will consider the estimated size and location of the anomaly and potential effects upon the design. The Engineer will provide the conclusions of this analysis to the Contractor for development of a mitigation plan, if required. The Contractor shall allow 30 days for the Engineer to determine whether the pile requires mitigation and provide information to the Contractor. Day 1 of the 30 days shall be the 1st day after access has been provided to the Engineer to perform acceptance testing. If the Contractor submits additional information to the Engineer that modifies the size, shape, or nature of the anomaly, the Contractor shall allow 10 additional days for the subsequent analysis.

The Engineer may elect to perform additional tests to further evaluate a rejected pile. These tests may include crosshole sonic logging and other means of inspection selected by the Engineer. The pile acceptance test report will indicate if the Department intends to perform any additional testing and when the testing will be performed. The Contractor shall allow the Department 20 additional days for a total of 50 days to perform these tests and to provide supplemental results. The Contractor may progress with the mitigation plan process without waiting for these supplemental results.

Inspection pipes and cored holes shall be dewatered and filled with grout after notification by the Engineer that the pile is acceptable. Grout shall conform to the provisions in Section 50-1.09, "Bonding and Grouting," of the Standard Specifications. Inspection pipes and holes shall be filled using grout tubes that extend to the bottom of the pipe or hole or into the grout already placed.

If a rejected pile does not require mitigation, the Contractor may repair the pile per an approved mitigation plan or the Department will deduct the amount shown in the table for each anomaly up to the maximum total deduction:

Anomaly Location	Anomaly Deduction		
	$D < 4$ feet	$4 \leq D < 6$	$D \geq 6$
Entirely or partially within the upper 2/3 of the pile length	$1,000	$2,000	$4,000
Entirely within the lower 1/3 of the pile length	$500	$1,000	$2,000
Maximum total deduction	$2,000	$4,000	$8,000

Note:
D = Nominal pile diameter

The Department deducts the amount from any moneys due, or that may become due to the Contractor under the Contract.

If the Engineer determines that a rejected pile requires mitigation, the Contractor shall submit to the Engineer for approval a mitigation plan for repair, supplementation, or replacement for each rejected CIDH concrete pile conforming to the provisions in Section 5-1.02, "Plans and Working Drawings," of the Standard Specifications. If the Engineer determines that it is not feasible to repair the rejected pile, the Contractor shall not include repair as a means of mitigation and shall proceed with the submittal of a mitigation plan for replacement or supplementation of the rejected pile.

If the Engineer determines it is not feasible to use one of ADSC's standard mitigation plans to mitigate the pile, the Contractor shall schedule a meeting and meet with the Engineer before submitting a nonstandard mitigation plan. The meeting attendees shall include the Contractor's representatives and the Engineer's representatives involved in the pile mitigation. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the type of pile mitigation that would be acceptable to the Department. The Contractor shall provide the meeting facility. The Engineer will conduct the meeting.

Pile mitigation plans shall include the following:

A. The designation and location of the pile addressed by the mitigation plan.
B. A review of the structural, geotechnical, and corrosion design requirements of the rejected pile.
C. A step by step description of the mitigation work to be performed, including drawings if necessary.
D. An assessment of how the proposed mitigation work will address the structural, geotechnical, and corrosion design requirements of the rejected pile.
E. Methods for preservation or restoration of existing earthen materials.
F. A list of affected facilities, if any, with methods and equipment for protection of these facilities during mitigation.
G. The State assigned contract number, bridge number, full name of the structure as shown on the contract plans, District-County-Route-Post Mile, and the Contractor's (and Subcontractor's if applicable) name on each sheet.

H. A list of materials, with quantity estimates, and personnel, with qualifications, to be used to perform the mitigation work.
I. The seal and signature of an engineer who is licensed as a Civil Engineer by the State of California. This requirement is waived for mitigation plans when either of the following conditions are present:

1. The proposed mitigation will be performed in conformance with the most recent Department-published version of "ADSC Standard Mitigation Plan 'A' - Basic Repair" without exception or modification.
2. The Engineer has determined that the rejected pile does not require mitigation due to structural, geotechnical, or corrosion concerns, and the Contractor elects to repair the pile using most recent Department-published version of "ADSC Standard Mitigation Plan 'B' - Grouting Repair" without exception or modification.

The most recent Department published version of the "ADSC Standard Mitigation Plan" is available at:

http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/geotech/ft/adscmitplan.htm

For rejected piles to be repaired, the Contractor shall submit a pile mitigation plan that contains the following additional information:

A. An assessment of the nature and size of the anomalies in the rejected pile.
B. Provisions for access for additional pile testing if required by the Engineer.

For rejected piles to be replaced or supplemented, the Contractor shall submit a pile mitigation plan that contains the following additional information:

A. The proposed location and size of additional piles.
B. Structural details and calculations for any modification to the structure to accommodate the replacement or supplemental piles.

All provisions for CIDH concrete piling shall apply to replacement piles.

The Contractor shall allow the Engineer 20 days to review the mitigation plan after a complete submittal has been received.

When repairs are performed, the Contractor shall submit a mitigation report to the Engineer within 10 days of completion of the repair. This report shall state exactly what repair work was performed and quantify the success of the repairs relative to the submitted mitigation plan. The mitigation report shall be stamped and signed by an engineer that is licensed as a Civil Engineer by the State of California. The mitigation report shall show the State assigned contract number, bridge number, full name of the structure as shown on the contract plans, District-County-Route-Post Mile, and the Contractor (and subcontractor if applicable) name on each sheet. The Engineer will be the sole judge as to whether a mitigation proposal is acceptable, the mitigation efforts are successful, and to whether additional repairs, removal and replacement, or construction of a supplemental foundation is required.

10-3.13 MODIFY COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Modify communication system at various locations must consist of, but not limited to:

1. Removing, relocating and disposing including pull boxes, cables and conduits.
2. Installing:

    2.1. Conduits, innerducts, conductors and cables of various sizes, types and installation methods,
    2.2. Splice vault, pull boxes of various sizes, types and installation methods.
    2.3. Twisted pair cables, fiber optic cables.
    2.4. Other required incidental equipment.

As-built plans for existing communication systems are available for inspection or copying at the Department of Transportation, 100 South Main Street, Los Angeles California 90012, Telephone (213) 897-1586.

COMMUNICATION PULL BOX

Communication pull box shall conform to the details shown on the plans, the provisions in Section 86-2.07, "Traffic Pull Boxes," of the Standard Specifications and these special provisions. Communication pull box shall have minimum inside clearances of 20" wide x 33" long.

A concrete encasement ring shall be poured around the communication pull box extension as shown on the plans. The encasement concrete shall be minor concrete as specified in Section 90-10, "Minor Concrete," of the Standard Specifications.

SPLICE VAULT

Splice vaults shall be 60 inch (L) x 30 inch (W) x 30 inch (D) nominal inside dimensions and shall conform to the provisions in Section 86-2.06, "Pull Boxes," of the Standard Specifications and these special provisions. Covers shall be in two-piece torsion assisted section. Hold down bolts or cap screws and nuts shall be brass, stainless steel or other non-corroding metal. Cover portions shall have inset lifting pull slots. Cover markings shall be "TOS COMMUNICATION" on individual cover section. Enclosures, covers and extensions shall be concrete gray color. Vault and covers may be constructed of reinforced portland cement concrete or of non-PCC material.

Non-PCC vault and covers shall be of sufficient rigidity that when a 100 lb_f concentrated force is applied perpendicularly to the midpoint of one of the long sides at the top, while the opposite long side is supported by a rigid surface, it shall be possible to remove the cover without the use of tools. When a vertical force of 1500 lb_f is applied, through a 0.5 inch by 3 inch by 6 inch steel plate, to a non-PCC cover in place on a splice vault, the cover shall not fail and shall not deflect more than 0.25 inch.

Splice vaults shall be installed one inch above grade in unpaved areas.

Splice vaults shown on the plans in shoulders are shown for general location. Exact locations will be determined by the Engineer.

Metallic or non-metallic cable racks shall be installed on the interior of both sides of splice vaults. Racks shall be capable of supporting a load of 100 lb_f, minimum, per rack arm. Racks shall be supplied in lengths appropriate to boxes in which they will be placed. Rack arms shall not be less than 6 inches in length. Metallic cable racks shall be fabricated from ASTM Designation: A 36 steel plate and shall be hot-dip galvanized after fabrication. Steel plate, hardware, and galvanizing shall conform to the requirements in Section 75, "Miscellaneous Metal," of the Standard Specifications. Metallic cable racks shall be bonded and grounded.

SPLICE ENCLOSURES

The FO field splices shall be enclosed in splice enclosures which shall be complete with splice organizer trays, brackets, clips, cable ties, seals and sealant, as needed. The splice enclosure shall be suitable for a direct burial or pull box application. Manufacturer's installation instructions shall be supplied to the Engineer prior to the installation of any splice enclosures. Location of the splice enclosures shall be where a splice is required as shown on the plans, designated by the Engineer, or described in these special provisions.

The fiber optic splice enclosure shall consist of an outer enclosure and splice trays, and shall conform to the following special provisions.

The fiber optic splice enclosure shall be suitable for a temperature range from 32 to 122 °F.

The size of the enclosure shall allow all the fibers of the largest fiber optic cable to be spliced to a second cable of the same size, plus 12 additional pigtails. The enclosure shall be not more than 36 inches in length and not more than 8 inches in diameter. Two outer enclosures shall fit into the fiber optic splice vault and shall leave sufficient space for routing of the fiber optic communication cables, without exceeding the minimum bending radius of any cable. The enclosures shall be designed for butt splicing.

The splice enclosure shall conform to the following specifications:

A. Non-filled thermoplastic case.
B. Rodent proof, water proof, re-enterable and moisture proof.
C. Expandable from 2 cables per end to 8 cables per end by using adapter plates.
D. Cable entry ports shall accommodate 0.4 inch to one inch diameter cables.
E. Multiple grounding straps.
F. Accommodate up to 8 splice trays.
G. Suitable for "butt" cable entry configurations.
H. Place no stress on finished splices within the splice trays.

All materials in the enclosures shall be nonreactive and shall not support galvanic cell action. The outer enclosure shall be compatible with the other enclosure components, the inner enclosure, splice trays, and cables.

The end plate shall consist of two sections and shall have capacity for two fiber optic trunk communication cables and 2 fiber optic branch cables.

The outer enclosure shall protect the splices from mechanical damage, provide strain relief for the cable, and be resistant to salt corrosion.

The outer enclosure shall be waterproof, re-enterable and sealed with a gasket. The outer enclosure shall be flash-tested at 14.9 psi.

The inner enclosure shall be of metallic construction. The inner enclosure shall be compatible with the outer enclosure and the splice trays and shall allow access to and removal of individual splice trays. The splice trays shall be compatible with the inner enclosure and shall be constructed of rigid plastic or metal.

Adequate splice trays shall be provided to splice all fibers of the largest fiber optic cable, plus 12 pigtails.

Each splice shall be individually mounted and mechanically protected in the splice tray.

The Contractor shall install the fiber splice enclosure in the splice vaults where splicing is required. The fiber optic splice enclosures shall be securely fastened or bolted to the side wall of the splice vault using standard hardware found in communication manholes.

The Contractor shall provide all mounting hardware required to securely mount the enclosures to the splice vault. Each splice enclosure shall be filled to capacity with splice trays.

The fiber splice enclosure shall be mounted horizontally in a manner that allows the cables to enter at the end of the enclosure. Not less than 30 feet of each cable shall be coiled in the vault to allow the fiber splice enclosure to be removed for future splicing.

The unprotected fibers exposed for splicing within the enclosure shall be protected from mechanical damage using the fiber support tube or tubes and shall be secured within the fiber splice enclosure.

Upon completion of the splices, the splice trays shall be secured to the inner enclosure.

The enclosure shall be sealed using a procedure recommended by the manufacturer that will provide a waterproof environment for the splices. Encapsulant shall be injected between the inner and outer enclosures.

Care shall be taken at the cable entry points to ensure a tight salt resistant and waterproof seal is made which will not leak upon aging. It is acceptable to have multiple pigtails enter the fiber splice enclosure through one hole as long as all spaces between the cables are adequately sealed.

SPLICE TRAYS

Splice trays must accommodate a minimum of 12 fusion splices and must allow for a minimum bend radius of two inches. Individual fibers must be looped one full turn within the splice tray to allow for future splicing. No stress is to be applied on the fiber when it is located in its final position. Buffer tubes must be secured near the entrance of the splice tray to reduce the chance that an inadvertent tug on the pigtail will damage the fiber. The splice tray cover may be transparent.

Splice trays in the splice enclosure shall conform to the following:

1 Accommodate up to 24 fusion splices.
2. Place no stress on completed within the tray.
3. Stackable with a snap-on hinge cover.
4. Buffer tubes securable with channel straps.
5. Must be able to accommodate a fusion splice with the addition of an alternative splice holder.
6. Must be labeled after splicing is completed.

Only one single splice tray may be secured by a bolt through the center of the tray in the fiber termination unit. Multiple trays must be securely held in place as per the manufacturer's recommendation.

SPLICING

Field splices shall be done either in splice vaults or cabinets as shown on the plans. All splices in splice vaults shall be done in splice trays, housed in splice enclosures. All splices in cabinets shall be done in splice trays housed in FDU's.

Unless otherwise specified, fiber splices shall be the fusion type. The mean splice loss shall not exceed 0.07 dB per splice. The mean splice loss shall be obtained by measuring the loss through the splice in both directions and then averaging the resultant values.

The mid-span access method shall be used to access the individual fibers in a cable for splicing to another cable as shown on the plans. Cable manufacturers recommended procedures and approved tools shall be used when performing a mid-span access. Only the fibers to be spliced may be cut. All measures shall be taken to avoid damaging buffer tubes and individual fibers not being used in the mid-span access.

The individual fibers shall be looped one full turn within the splice tray to avoid micro bending. A 2.0 inches minimum bend radius shall be maintained during installation and after final assembly in the optical fiber splice tray. Each bare fiber shall be individually restrained in a splice tray. The optical fibers in buffer tubes and the placement of the bare optical fibers in the splice tray shall be such that there is no discernable tensile force on the optical fiber.

All splices shall be protected with a metal reinforced thermal shrink sleeve.

The Contractor will be allowed to splice a total of 2 fibers to repair any damage done during mid-span access splicing without penalty. The Contractor will be assessed a fine of $300.00 for each additional and unplanned splice. Any single fiber may not have more than 3 unplanned splices. If any fiber requires more than 3 unplanned splices, the entire length of FO cable must be replaced at the Contractor's expense.

COMMUNICATION CONDUIT

Communication conduit must comply with Section 86-2.05, "Conduit," of the Standard Specifications and these special provisions.

Conduit must enter splice vaults and communication pull boxes through knockouts. Conduits entering ends of communication pull boxes must be vertically and horizontally aligned with conduits at the opposite end of communication pull boxes. Conduit ends must not extend beyond interior wall of splice vaults and communication pull boxes. Space around conduits through end walls of splice vaults and communication pull boxes must be filled with minor concrete cement mortar conforming to the provisions in Section 51-1.135, "Mortar," of the Standard Specifications. Communication pull boxes must not be used in lieu of specified bends to change the direction of communication conduit runs, except where specified.

Bends must not be placed in sections of conduit in excess of those indicated on the plans without the approval of the Engineer. The total degrees of bending in a section of conduit between splice vaults and communication pull boxes must not exceed a total of 180 degrees, except where specified.

Changes in indicated conduit bends may be made to suit field conditions if the change reduces the degree of bend or increases the radius of bend. The angle of the bend must not be decreased without the approval of the Engineer.

Minimum bending radius for 2 inches, 3 inches and 4 inches communication conduits must be 24 inches, 36 inches and 48 inches, respectively. Bends greater than 22 degrees must be factory bends and bends greater than 45 degrees must be galvanized rigid steel with necessary adapters.

Deflections of communication conduit must not exceed one inch/foot when avoiding obstructions. Conduit from typical trench sections must not deflect by more than one inch/foot from the alignment preceding or following communication pull boxes and splice vaults.

Where edge drains are in the path of conduit routing, you must first locate edge drains, then install conduit maintaining a minimum depth of 24 inches. If an edge drain is damaged by your work, repairs must be at your expense.

New communication conduits must not terminate in power pull boxes.

COLORED CEMENT BACKFILL

Slurry cement backfill for installation of communication conduits that will contain fiber optic cables must be a medium to dark, red or orange color. Concrete must be pigmented by addition of commercial quality cement pigments to concrete mixes. Red or orange concrete pigment must be LM Scofield Company; Orange Chromix Colorant; Davis Colors; or equal. The concrete must conform with the provisions in Section 90-10, "Minor Concrete," of the Standard Specifications.

Excavation and slurry cement backfill shall conform to Section 19-3, "Structure Excavation and Backfill," of the Standard Specifications. Slurry cement backfill shall reach initial set prior to placing reinforced concrete for approach slabs.

For trenches in pavement areas, the top 4-inch of slurry cement backfill must be pigmented concrete.

The size of the aggregate shall not be larger than 0.375 inch.

PLASTIC SHEET (20 mil)

Plastic sheets 20 mil thick, manufactured from high density polyethylene (HDPE) virgin compounds or polyvinyl chloride (PVC) virgin compounds, must be furnished and installed in trenches within roadway pavement, 0.10-foot over new communication conduits, as shown on the plans and as directed by the Engineer.

WARNING TAPE

Warning tape must be furnished, installed and placed in the trench over new conduits to receive reinstalled or new communication fiber optic conduit, as shown on the plans.

The warning tape must be:

Description	Parameter
Warning tape thickness	not be less than 4 mil thick
Warning tape width	3 inches
Warning tape material	pigmented polyolefin film
Tensile strength of warning tape material	minimum of 2800 psi
Warning tape elongation	minimum of 500 percent elongation before breakage
Printed Text height	0.75 inch
Message background color	bright orange color background
Message statement	CAUTION: BURIED FIBER OPTIC CABLE – CALTRANS (323)259-1922,
Message spacing intervals	approximately 30 inches

The printed warning must not be removed by the normal handling and burial of the tape and must be rated to last the service life of the tape.

The construction of the warning tape must be such that it will not delaminate when it is wet. It must be resistant to insects, acid, alkaline and other corrosive elements in the soil.

Warning tape shall be manufactured by Condux International, Inc.; Allen System, Inc.; Reef Industries, Inc. or equal.

TRACER WIRE

Tracer wire must be provided and placed in communication conduits containing fiber optic cable as shown on the plans.

Tracer wire must be No. 12 minimum solid copper conductor with Type TW, THW, RHW, or USE insulation. A minimum of 3 ft of slack must be extended into each communication pull box, splice vault and fiber optic vault from each direction.

The tracer wire must form a mechanically and electrically continuous line throughout the length of the trench. Where trenched communication conduit joins metal conduit that has been jacked or drilled, the tracer wire must be bonded to the metal conduit with a brass grounding clamp.

Tracer wire may be spliced at intervals of not less than 500 feet and in pull boxes. Splices must conform to Section 86-2.09, "Wiring," of the Standard Specifications.

TWISTED PAIR CABLE

Six and fifty twisted pair cable shall be installed in the configurations shown on the plans and conform to the provisions in Section 86-2, "Materials and Installation," of the Standard Specifications, and as specified in these special provisions and the following requirements.

Six and fifty twisted pair cables shall meet the requirements of Rural Utility Service (RUS) Bulletin 1753F-205 (PE-39) and the following:

1. Conductors shall consist of a solid wire of plain annealed high conductivity copper, smoothly drawn, circular in section, uniform in quality, have a conductor size number 22 AWG and shall be insulated with colored, high density polyethylene jackets.
2. Insulated conductors shall be uniformly twisted to form pairs with non-hygroscopic dielectric tape shall be wrapped around insulated pairs. The twisted length of pairs shall vary to minimize crosstalk. A laid up core shall be wrapped with aluminum tape and bonded with an overlap to provide 100 percent shielding. Black, high molecular weight, medium or low density, polyethylene jackets shall be extruded over shields. Filling compound materials used in cables shall not support galvanic action.

Cables shall be color-coded using the RUS standard color code.

Replace damaged cable during installation at your expense.

Installation

Install cables in conduits. Do not stress the cable beyond the manufacturer's minimum bending radius. Dynamometers shall be used to measure installation tension and tension-limiting devices shall be used to prevent exceeding the manufacturer's maximum pulling tension specification.

Provide a loop of cable with a minimum length of 3 feet in pull boxes. A minimum of 50 feet of slack shall be provided for each twisted pair cable at each splice vault. Train the cables to splice vault walls, tied with nylon ties and labeled with vinyl marking bands.

Seal conduit entrances at pull boxes, vaults and cabinets with conduit sealing compound following installation of cables in conduits. Maintain the pair count and RUS color code during splicing. Identify cables and pair counts with cable markers. Field splices shall be made in twisted pair splice closures located in pull boxes. Secure cables in place within pull boxes and cabinets.

Testing

A continuation test shall be perform for newly installed twisted pair from Cable Node MAO12 (post mile 1.0) and Cable Node MAO025 (post mile 2.6) to TMS 2261, TMS 2233 (post mile R1.9) and TMS 2322 (post mile R1.3)

TWISTED PAIR SPLICE CLOSURE

Twisted pair splice closures shall be furnished in 12-inch and 24-inch sizes.

Closures shall be installed inside communications pull boxes or splice vaults for drops cable from twisted pair cables to equipment locations and at mid-span splices as shown on the plans.

Twisted pair splice closures shall consist of neoprene sleeves secured with hose clamps.

Closures shall be mounted securely inside communications pull boxes or splice vaults and shall be properly grounded and cable sheaths bonded using bonding clamps. Cables shall be identified as "IN" or "OUT" depending upon their location relative to splices (toward communications nodes or away from communications nodes). Tape collars shall be placed around the 2 cables and drop cables at locations required by splice closures. Splice closures shall be fitted to splices and hose clamps tightened over cables.

FIBER OPTIC CABLE

Fiber optic cable shall conform to the details shown on the plans and these special provisions.

Fiber Optics Glossary

A. **Active Component Link Loss Budget.**--The active component link loss budget is the difference between the average transmitter launch power (in dBm) and the receiver maximum sensitivity (in dBm).
B. **Backbone.**--Fiber cable that provides connections between the TMC and hubs, as well as between equipment rooms or buildings, and between hubs. The term is used interchangeably with "trunk" cable.
C. **Breakout.**--The cable "breakout" is produced by (1) removing the jacket just beyond the last tie-wrap point, (2) exposing 35" to 70" of the cable buffers, aramid strength yarn and central fiberglass strength member, and (3) cutting aramid yarn, central strength member and the buffer tubes to expose the individual glass fibers for splicing or connection to the appropriate device
D. **Connector.**--A mechanical device used to align and join two fibers together to provide a means for attaching to and decoupling from a transmitter, receiver, or another fiber (patch panel).
E. **Connectorized.**--The termination point of a fiber after connectors have been affixed.
F. **Connector Module Housing (CMH).**--A patch panel used in the FDU to terminate singlemode fibers with most common connector types. It may include a jumper storage shelf and a hinged door.
G. **Couplers.**--Devices which mate fiber optic connectors to facilitate the transition of optical light signals from one connector into another. They are normally located within FDUs, mounted in panels. They may also be used unmounted, to join two simplex fiber runs.
H. **Distribution Cable.**--Fiber cable that provides connections between hubs. Drop cables are typically spliced into a distribution cable.
I. **Drop Cable.**--Fiber cable that provides connections between a distribution cable to a field element. Typically, these run from a splice vault to a splice tray within a field cabinet. Drop cables are usually short in length (less than 65 feet) and are of the same construction as outside plant cable. The term "breakout cable" is used interchangeably with drop cable.
J. **End-to-End Loss.**--The maximum permissible end-to-end system attenuation is the total loss in a given link. This loss could be the actual measured loss, or calculated using typical (or specified) values. A designer should use typical values to calculate the end-to-end loss for a proposed link. This number will determine the amount of optical power (in dB) needed to meet the System Performance Margin.
K. **Fan Out Termination.**--Permits the branching of fibers contained in an optical cable into individual cables and can be done at field locations; thus, allowing the cables to be connectorized or terminated per system requirements. A kit provides pull-out protection for individual bare fibers to support termination. It provides three layers of protection consisting of a Teflon inner tube, a dielectric strength member, and an outer protective PVC jacket. Fan out terminations shall not be used for more than 6 fibers. For more than 6 fibers, it shall be appropriate if fan out termination is used in conjunction with a patch panel.
L. **Fiber Distribution Frame (FDF).**--A rack mounted system that consists of a standard equipment rack, fiber routing guides, horizontal jumper troughs and Fiber Distribution Units (FDU). The FDF serves as the termination and interconnection of passive fiber optic components from cable breakout, for connection by jumpers, to the equipment.
M. **Fiber Distribution Unit (FDU).**--An enclosure or rack mountable unit containing both a patch panel with couplers and splice tray(s). The unit's patch panel and splice trays may be integrated or separated by a partition.
N. **FO.**--Fiber optic.
O. **FOIP.**--Fiber optic inside plant cable.
P. **FOOP.**--Fiber optic outside plant cable.
Q. **FOTP.**--Fiber optic test procedure(s) as defined by EIA/TIA standards.
R. **Jumper.**--A short fiber optic cable, typically one meter or less, with connectors on each end, used to join two CMH couplers or a CMH to active electronic components.

S. **Light Source.**--Portable fiber optic test equipment that, in conjunction with a power meter, is used to perform end-to-end attenuation testing. It contains a stabilized light source operating at the wavelength of the system under test. It also couples light from the source into the fiber to be received at the far end by the receiver.

T. **Link.**--A passive section of the system, the ends of which are connectorized. A link may include splices and couplers. For example, a video data link from a FO transmitter to a video FO receiver or to a FO multiplexer (MUX).

U. **Link Loss Budget.**--A calculation of the overall permissible attenuation from the fiber optic transmitter (source) to the fiber optic receiver (detector).

V. **Loose Tube Cable.**--Type of cable construction in which fibers are placed in buffer tubes to isolate them from outside forces (stress). A flooding compound or material is applied to the interstitial cable core to prevent water migration and penetration. This type of cable is primarily for outdoor applications.

W. **Mid-span Access Method.**--Description of a procedure in which fibers from a single buffer tube are accessed and spliced to an adjoining cable without cutting the unused fibers in the buffer tube, or disturbing the remaining buffer tubes in the cable.

X. **MMFO.**--Multimode Fiber Optic Cable.

Y. **OFNR** --Optic Fiber Non-conductive Riser.

Z. **Optical Time Domain Reflectometer (OTDR).**--Fiber optic test equipment similar in appearance to an oscilloscope that is used to measure the total amount of power loss in a FO cable between two points and over the corresponding distance. It provides a visual and printed display of the losses associated with system components such as fiber sections, splices and connectors and the losses that are attributed to each component and defects in the fiber, splices and connectors.

AA. **Optical Attenuator.**--An optical element that reduces the intensity of a signal passing through it.

AB. **Patchcord.**--A short jumper used to join two Connector Module Housing (CMH) couplers, and or a CMH and an active optical electronic device.

AC. **Patch Panel.**--A precision drilled metal frame containing couplers used to mate two fiber optic connectors.

AD. **Pigtail.**--A short length of fiber optical cable permanently connectorized on only one end to a source, detector, or other fiber optic device. All pigtails shall be tight buffer cable.

AE. **Power Meter.**--Portable fiber optic test equipment that, when coupled with a light source, is used to perform end-to-end attenuation testing. It contains a detector that is sensitive to light at the designed wavelength of the system under test. Its display indicates the amount of optical power being received at the end of the link.

AF. **Riser Cable.**--NEC approved cable installed in a riser (a vertical shaft in a building connecting floors).

AG. **Segment.**--A section of FO cable that is not connected to any active device and may or may not have splices per the design.

AH. **SMFO.**--Single Mode Fiber Optic Cable.

AI. **Splice.**--The permanent joining of fiber ends to identical or similar fibers.

AJ. **Splice Enclosure.**--A environmentally sealed container used to organize and protect splice trays. The container allows splitting or routing of fiber cables from multiple locations. It is normally installed in a splice vault.

AK. **Splice Module Housing (SMH).**--A unit that stores splice trays as well as pigtails and short cable lengths. The unit allows splitting or routing of fiber cables to or from multiple locations.

AL. **Splice Tray.**--A container used to organize and protect spliced fibers.

AM. **Splice Vault.**--An underground container used to house excess cable and/or splice enclosures.

AN. **System Performance Margin.**--A calculation of the overall "End to End" permissible attenuation from the fiber optic transmitter (source) to the fiber optic receiver (detector). The system performance margin should be at least 6 dB. This includes the difference between the active component link loss budget, the passive cable attenuation (total fiber loss) and the total connector/splice loss.

AO. **Tight Buffered.**--Type of non-breakout cable construction where each glass fiber is tightly buffered (directly coated) with a protective thermoplastic coating to 900 μm (compared to 250 μm for loose tube fibers). The tight buffer cable shall meet all the characteristics of the fiber in the fiber optic outside plant cable specified in these specifications.

FIBER OPTICS OUTSIDE PLANT CABLE

General

Each fiber optic outside plant cable (FOOP) for this project shall be all dielectric, gel filled or water blocking material, duct type, with loose buffer tube construction with a maximum outside diameter of 0.55 inches and shall conform to these special provisions. Cables shall contain singlemode (SM) dual-window (1310 nm and 1550 nm) fibers with the numbers described below and as shown on the plans:

12 SMFO
24 SMFO

The optical fibers shall be contained within loose buffer tubes. The loose buffer tubes shall be stranded around an all dielectric central member. Aramid yarn shall be used as a primary strength member, and a polyethylene outside jacket shall provide for overall protection.

All FO cable of each specific type shall be from the same manufacturer, who is regularly engaged in the production of this material.

The cable shall be qualified as compliant with Rural Utilities Service (RUS) Chapter XVII, Title 7, Section 1755.900.

Fiber Characteristics

Each optical fiber shall be glass and consist of a doped silica core surrounded by concentric silica cladding. All fibers in the buffer tube shall be usable fibers, and shall be sufficiently free of surface imperfections and inclusions to meet the optical, mechanical, and environmental requirements of these specifications. The required fiber grade shall reflect the maximum individual fiber attenuation, to guarantee the required performance of each and every fiber in the cable.

The coating shall be a dual layered, UV cured acrylate and shall be mechanically strippable without damaging the fiber.

The cable shall comply with the optical and mechanical requirements over an operating temperature range of -40 to +158°F. The cable shall be tested in accordance with EIA-455-3A (FOTP-3), "Procedure to Measure Temperature Cycling Effects on Optical Fiber, Optical Cable, and Other Passive Fiber Optic Components." The change in attenuation at extreme operational temperatures (-40 to +158 °F) for singlemode fiber shall not be greater than 0.20 dB/km, with 80 percent of the measured values no greater than 0.10 dB/km. The singlemode fiber attenuation shall be measured at 1550 nm.

For all fibers the attenuation specification shall be a maximum attenuation for each fiber over the entire operating temperature range of the cable.

Singlemode fibers within the finished cable shall meet the requirements in the following table:

Parameters	Characteristic
Type	Step Index
Core diameter	8.3 µm (nominal)
Cladding diameter	125 µm ± 1.0 µm
Core to Cladding Offset	≤1.0 µm
Coating Diameter	250 µm ± 15 µm
Cladding Non-circularity defined as: [1-(Min cladding Dia ÷Max cladding Dia)]x100	≤2.0%
Proof/Tensile Test	345 MPa, Min
Attenuation: @1310 nm (SM) @1550 nm	 ≤0.4 dB/km ≤0.4 dB/km
Attenuation at the Water Peak	≤2.1 dB/km @ 1383 ± 3 nm
Chromatic Dispersion: Zero Dispersion Wavelength Zero Dispersion Slope Maximum Dispersion:	 1301.5 to 1321.5 nm ≤0.092 ps/(nm^2*km) ≤3.3 ps/(nm*km) for 1285 to 1330 nm <18 ps/(nm*km) for 1550 nm
Cut-Off Wavelength	<1250 nm
Mode Field Diameter (Petermann II)	9.3 ± 0.5 µm at 1310 nm 10.5 ± 1.0 µm at 1550 nm

Color Coding

In buffer tubes containing multiple fibers, each fiber shall be distinguishable from others in the same tube by means of color coding according to the following:

1. Blue (BL)	7. Red (RD)
2. Orange (OR)	8. Black (BK)
3. Green (GR)	9. Yellow (YL)
4. Brown (BR)	10. Violet (VL)
5. Slate (SL)	11. Rose (RS)
6. White (WT)	12. Aqua (AQ)

Buffer tubes containing fibers shall also be color coded with distinct and recognizable colors according to the same table listed above for fibers.

The colors shall be targeted in accordance with the Munsell color shades and shall meet EIA/TIA-598 "Color Coding of Fiber Optic Cables."

The color formulation shall be compatible with the fiber coating and the buffer tube filling compound, and be heat stable. It shall not fade or smear or be susceptible to migration and it shall not affect the transmission characteristics of the optical fibers and shall not cause fibers to stick together.

Cable Construction

General.--The fiber optic cable samples of 10 feet length with part numbers, original catalogue and documents from manufactures shall be submitted to the Engineer.

The fiber optic cable shall consist of but not be limited to the following components:

A. Buffer tubes
B. Central member
C. Filler rods
D. Stranding
E. Core and cable flooding
F. Tensile strength member
G. Ripcord
H. Outer jacket

Buffer tubes.--Clearance shall be provided in the loose buffer tubes between the fibers and the inside of the tube to allow for expansion without constraining the fiber. The fibers shall be loose or suspended within the tubes. The fibers shall not adhere to the inside of the buffer tube. Each buffer tube shall contain 1, 6 or a maximum of or 12 fibers.

The loose buffer tubes shall be extruded from a material having a coefficient of friction sufficiently low to allow free movement of the fibers. The material shall be tough and abrasion resistant to provide mechanical and environmental protection of the fibers, yet designed to permit safe intentional "scoring" and breakout, without damaging or degrading the internal fibers.

Buffer tube shall contain a water swellable yarn or a filling compound that shall be a homogeneous hydrocarbon-based gel with anti-oxidant additives and is used to prevent water intrusion and migration. The filling compound shall be non-toxic and dermatologically safe to exposed skin. It shall be chemically and mechanically compatible with all cable components, non-nutritive to fungus, non-hygroscopic and electrically non-conductive. The filling compound shall be free from dirt and foreign matter and shall be readily removable with conventional nontoxic solvents.

Buffer tubes shall be stranded around a central member by a method that will prevent stress on the fibers when the cable jacket is placed under strain, such as the reverse oscillation stranding process.

Each buffer tube shall be distinguishable from other buffer tubes in the cable by the color coding specified for the fibers.

Central Member.--The central member which functions as an anti-buckling element shall be a glass reinforced plastic rod with similar expansion and contraction characteristics as the optical fibers and buffer tubes. A linear overcoat of low density polyethylene shall be applied to the central member to achieve the optimum diameter to provide the proper spacing between buffer tubes during stranding.

Filler rods.--Filler rods may be included in the cable to maintain the symmetry of the cable cross-section. Filler rods shall be solid medium or high density polyethylene. The diameter of filler rods shall be the same as the outer diameter of the buffer tubes.

Stranding.--Completed buffer tubes shall be stranded around the overcoated central member using stranding methods, lay lengths and positioning such that the cable shall meet mechanical, environmental and performance specifications. A polyester binding shall be applied over the stranded buffer tubes to hold them in place. Binders shall be applied usingtension sufficient to secure the buffer tubes to the central member without crushing the buffer tubes. The binders shall be non-hygroscopic, non-wicking (or rendered so by the flooding compound), and dielectric with low shrinkage.

Core and Cable Flooding.--The cable core shall contain a water-blocking material or the cable core interstices shall be filled with a polyolefin based compound to prevent water ingress and migration. The water-blocking material or the flooding compound shall be homogeneous, non-hygroscopic, electrically non-conductive, and non-nutritive to fungus. The core shall be free from dirt and foreign matter and shall be readily removable with conventional nontoxic solvents. The compound shall also be nontoxic, dermatologically safe and compatible with all other cable components.

Tensile Strength Member.--Tensile strength shall be provided by high tensile strength aramid yarns and fiberglass which shall be helically stranded evenly around the cable core and shall not adhere to other cable components.

Ripcord.--The cable shall contain at least one ripcord under the jacket for easy sheath removal.

Outer jacket.--The jacket shall be free of holes, splits, and blisters and shall be medium or high density polyethylene (PE), or medium density cross-linked polyethylene with minimum nominal jacket thickness of 40.0 ± 3 mil. Jacketing material shall be applied directly over the tensile strength members and flooding compound and shall not adhere to the aramid strength material. The polyethylene shall contain carbon black to provide ultraviolet light protection and shall not promote the growth of fungus.

The jacket or sheath shall be marked with the manufacturer's name, the words "Optical Cable", the number of fibers, "SM", year of manufacture, and sequential measurement markings every foot. The actual length of the cable shall be within -0/+1 percent of the length marking. The marking shall be in a contrasting color to the cable jacket. The height of the marking shall be approximately 0.10 inch.

General Cable Performance Specifications

The FO cable shall withstand water penetration when tested with a three-foot static head or equivalent continuous pressure applied at one end of a three-foot length of filled cable for one hour. No water shall leak through the open cable end. Testing shall be done in accordance with ANSI/EIA-455-82 (FOTP-82), "Fluid Penetration Test for Fluid-Blocked Fiber Optic Cable."

A representative sample of cable shall be tested in accordance with ANSI/EIA-455-81A, "Compound Flow (Drip) Test for Filled Fiber Optic Cable". The test sample shall be prepared in accordance with Method A. The cable shall exhibit no flow (drip or leak) at 176 °F as defined in the test method.

Crush resistance of the finished FO cables shall be 125 lb_f/in applied uniformly over the length of the cable without showing evidence of cracking or splitting when tested in accordance with EIA-455-41 (FOTP-41), "Compressive Loading Resistance of Fiber Optic Cables". The average increase in attenuation for the fibers shall be ≤0.10 dB at 1550 nm for a cable subjected to this load. The cable shall not exhibit any measurable increase in attenuation after removal of load. Testing shall be in accordance with EIA-455-41 (FOTP-41), except that the load shall be applied at the rate of 0.10 inch to 0.75 inch per minute and maintained for 10 minutes.

The cable shall withstand 25 cycles of mechanical flexing at a rate of 30 ±1 cycles/minute. The average increase in attenuation for the fibers shall be ≤0.20 dB at 1550 nm at the completion of the test. Outer cable jacket cracking or splitting observed under 10x magnification shall constitute failure. The test shall be conducted in accordance with EIA-455-104 (FOTP-104), "Fiber Optic Cable Cyclic Flexing Test," with the sheave diameter a maximum of 20 times the outside diameter of the cable. The cable shall be tested in accordance with Test Conditions I and II of (FOTP-104).

Impact testing shall be conducted in accordance with TIA/EIA-455-25B (FOTP-25) "Impact Testing of Fiber Optic Cables and Cable Assemblies." The cable shall withstand 20 impact cycles. The average increase in attenuation for the fibers shall be ≤0.20 dB at 1550 nm. The cable jacket shall not exhibit evidence of cracking or splitting.

Packaging and Shipping Requirements

The completed cable shall be packaged for shipment on reels. The cable shall be wrapped in a weather and temperature resistant covering. Both ends of the cable shall be sealed to prevent the ingress of moisture.

Each end of the cable shall be securely fastened to the reel to prevent the cable from coming loose during transit. Ten feet of cable length on each end of the cable shall be accessible for testing.

Each cable reel shall have a durable weatherproof label or tag showing the manufacturer's name, the cable type, the actual length of cable on the reel (in feet), the Contractor's name, the contract number, and the reel number. A shipping record shall also be included in a weatherproof envelope showing the above information and also include the date of manufacture, cable characteristics (size, attenuation, bandwidth, etc.), factory test results, cable identification number and any other pertinent information. The shipping records for the required optical fiber specifications shall be provided to the Engineer.

The cost of any damaged or broken optical fiber cable shall be borne by the Contractor.

The minimum hub diameter of the reel shall be at least thirty times the diameter of the cable. The FO cable shall be in one continuous length per reel with no factory splices in the fiber. Each reel shall be marked to indicate the direction the reel should be rolled to prevent loosening of the cable.

Installation procedures and technical support information shall be furnished at the time of delivery.

CABLE INSTALLATION

There shall be no re-use fiber optic cable for the installation.

Installation procedures shall be in conformance with the procedures specified by the cable manufacturer for the specific cable being installed. The Contractor shall submit the manufacturer's recommended procedures for pulling fiber optic cable at least 20 working days prior to installing cable. Mechanical aids may be used, provided that a tension measuring device, and a breakaway swivel are placed in tension to the end of the cable. The tension in the cable shall not exceed 500 lb_f or the manufacturer's recommended pulling tension, whichever is less.

During cable installation, the bend radius shall be maintained at a minimum of twenty times the outside diameter. The cable grips for installing the fiber optic cable shall have a ball bearing swivel to prevent the cable from twisting during installation. The final installed bend radius of the fiber optic cable shall be no less than ten times the outside diameter of the cable.

FO cable shall be installed using a cable pulling lubricant recommended by the FO cable or the innerduct manufacturer, and a pull tape conforming to the provisions described under "Conduit" elsewhere in these special provisions. Contractor's personnel shall be stationed at each splice vault and pull box through which the cable is to be pulled to lubricate and prevent kinking or other damage.

FO cable shall be installed without splices except where specifically allowed on the plans. If splice locations are not shown on the plans, splicing shall be limited to one cable splice every 20,000 feet. Any midspan access splice or FDU termination shall involve only those fibers being spliced as shown on the plans. Cable splices shall be located in splice enclosures, installed in splice vaults shown on the plans. A minimum of 65 feet of slack shall be provided for each FO cable at each splice vault. Slack shall be divided equally on each side of the FO splice enclosure.

Unless shown or provided otherwise, only FO cable shall be installed in each innerduct. Pulling a separate FO cable into a spare duct to replace damaged fiber will not be allowed.

At the Contractor's option, the fiber may be installed using the air blown method. If integral innerduct is used, the duct splice points or any temporary splices of innerduct used for installation must withstand a static air pressure of 110 psi.

The fiber installation equipment must incorporate a mechanical drive unit or pusher, which feeds cable into the pressurized innerduct to provide a sufficient push force on the cable, which is coupled with the drag force created by the high-speed airflow. The unit must be equipped with controls to regulate the flow rate of compressed air entering the duct and any hydraulic or pneumatic pressure applied to the cable. It must accommodate longitudinally ribbed, or smooth wall ducts from nominal 0.63 to 2.00 inches inner diameter. Mid assist or cascading of equipment must be for the installation of long cable runs. The equipment must incorporate safety shutoff valves to disable the system in the event of sudden changes in pneumatic or hydraulic pressure.

The equipment must not require the use of a piston or any other air capturing device to impose a pulling force at the front end of the cable, which also significantly restricts the free flow of air through the innerduct. It must incorporate the use of a counting device to determine the speed of the cable during installation and the length of the cable installed.

PASSIVE CABLE ASSEMBLIES AND COMPONENTS

The FO cable assemblies and components shall be compatible components, designed for the purpose intended, and manufactured by a company regularly engaged in the production of material for the fiber optic industry. All components or assemblies shall be best quality, non-corroding, with a design life of at least 20 years.

FIBER OPTIC CABLE LABELING

The Contractor shall label all fiber optic cabling in a permanent consistent manner. All tags shall be of a material designed for long term permanent labeling of fiber optic cables and shall be marked with permanent ink on non-metal types, or embossed lettering on metal tags. Metal tags shall be constructed of stainless steel. Non-metal label materials shall be approved by the Engineer. Labels shall be affixed to the cable per the manufacturer's recommendations and shall not be affixed in a manner which will cause damage to the fiber. Handwritten labels shall not be allowed.

Label Identification

Marking and labeling of fiber optic cable plant throughout this project shall be as follows:

Cable to Cable Splices.--The cable jackets labeled at entry to splice enclosure with cable ID and cable direction relative to the splice point (E, SW, etc.). In addition, the buffer tubes labeled at entry to splice trays with cable ID and cable direction, and the fibers labeled at splice with cable direction and fiber number.

Cable to Fiber Distribution Unit Splices.--The cable jackets shall be labeled at the entry to the FDU with cable ID, and buffer tubes labeled at entry to splice tray with cable ID. In addition, fibers shall be labeled at entry to splice enclosure with fiber number, pigtails labeled at connector with cable ID and fiber number, and front panels labeled at connector with cable ID and fiber number.

Fibers labels shall be placed next to the connectors of the individual fibers.

Jumpers.--The fibers labeled at each connector with FUNCTION of signal being carried. For example, "CM148 D4 OUT" or "CM14.8 Video IN", where CM is an abbreviation for the freeway or route segment (Costa Mesa) and 14.8 is a Post Mile reference.

Cables through pull boxes.--Cable jackets shall be labeled inside all pull boxes whether spliced or not at that location. Labels shall provide cable ID, cable direction relative to the cable ends and a number identifying the fiber count inside the cable.

For labeling purposes, IN shall be used to describe the segment of cable, buffer tube, or fiber which runs towards the hub. For labeling purposes, OUT shall be used to describe the segment of cable, buffer tube, or fiber which runs away from the hub towards the elements.

All labels shall be made from vinyl sleeving or tags permanently affixed to the jacket, buffer tube or fiber and shall be marked with permanent ink.

FIBER OPTIC CABLE TESTING

Testing shall include the tests on elements of the passive fiber optic components: (1) at the factory, (2) after delivery to the project site but prior to installation, (3) after installation but prior to connection to any other portion of the system and (4) during final system testing. The active components shall be tested after installation.

Documentation of all test results shall be provided to the Engineer within 2 working days after the test involved.

A minimum of 15 working days prior to arrival of the cable at the site, the Contractor shall provide detailed test procedures for all field testing for the Engineer's review and approval. The procedures shall include the tests involved and how the tests are to be conducted. Included in the test procedures shall be the model, manufacturer, configuration, calibration and alignment and operating procedures for all proposed test equipment.

Factory Testing

The Contractor must provide the documentation from the original manufacturer for the factory testing and of compliance with the fiber specifications as listed in the Fiber Characteristics Table. Before shipment but while on the shipping reel, 100 percent of all fibers shall be tested for attenuation. Test results shall be recorded and dated. Copies of the results shall be (1) maintained on file by the manufacturer with a file identification number for a minimum of seven years, (2) attached to the cable reel in a waterproof pouch, and (3) The Contractor shall provide copy to the Engineer.

Copies of the test results shall also be filed with the copy accompanying the shipping reel in a separate weather proof envelope.

Arrival On Site

After arrival at the Contractor's facility, the fiber optic cable and reel shall be physically inspected for damage. The attenuation shall be measured on 100 percent fibers and every reel. The attenuation shall be measured with an Optical Time Domain (OTDR) capable of recording and displaying anomalies of 0.02 dB as a minimum and singlemode (SM) fibers shall be tested at 1310 nm and 1550 nm.

The test results shall be recorded, dated, and compared with the shipping records from the manufacture. Attenuation deviations from the shipping records of greater than five percent shall be submitted to the Engineer for approval. The result shall be filled with the copy accompanying the shipping reel in a weather proof envelope.

The cable shall not be installed until completion of this test sequence and the written approval of the Engineer. If the fiber optic cable test results are unsatisfactory, the reel of FO cable shall be considered unacceptable, and shall be rejected, and all records corresponding to that reel of cable shall be marked accordingly.

The Contractor shall replace the unsatisfactory reel of cable with a new reel of cable at the Contractor's expense. The new reel of cable shall be tested as in the above procedures for acceptability. Copies of the test results shall be submitted to the Engineer for approval.

After Cable Installation

Index matching gel shall not be allowed in connectors during testing.

After the fiber optic cable has been pulled but before breakout and termination, 100 percent of all the fibers shall be tested with an OTDR for attenuation.

Test results shall be recorded, dated, compared and filed with the previous copies of these tests. Copies of traces and test results shall be submitted to the Engineer for approval.

If the OTDR test results are unsatisfactory, the FO cable shall be replaced at the Contractor's expense. The unsatisfactory segment of cable shall be replaced with the new segment without additional splices, at the Contractor's expense. The new segment of cable shall be tested to demonstrate acceptability. Copies of the test results shall be submitted to the Engineer for review and approval.

The OTDR shall have a printer capable of producing a verifying test trace with fiber identification as shown in Appendix A "Link Loss Budget Work Sheet", numerical loss values, the date and the operator's name. It shall also have a compact disk recording capability that has associated software to do comparisons and reproductions on 8.5-inch x 11-inch paper, via a personal computer.

Outdoor Splices.--At the conclusion of all outdoor splices at one location, and before they are enclosed and sealed, all splices shall be tested with the OTDR, in both directions. Splices in singlemode segments shall be tested at 1310 nm and at 1550 nm.

Individual fusion splice losses shall not exceed 0.07 dB. Measurement results shall be recorded, dated, validated by the OTDR trace printout and filed with the records of the respective cable runs. Copies of traces and test results shall be submitted to the Engineer.

If the OTDR test results are unsatisfactory, the splice shall be unacceptable. The unsatisfactory splice shall be replaced at the Contractor's expense. The new splice shall then be tested to demonstrate acceptability. Copies of the test results shall be submitted to the Engineer.

Distribution Interconnect Package Testing and Documentation.--All the components of the passive interconnect package (FDUs, pigtails, jumpers, couplers and splice trays) shall be from a manufacturer who is regularly engaged in the production of the fiber optic components described.

In developing the distribution interconnect package, each SC termination (pigtail or jumper) shall be tested for insertion attenuation loss with the use of an optical power meter and source. In addition, all singlemode terminations shall be tested for return reflection loss. These values shall meet the loss requirements specified earlier and shall be recorded on a tag attached to the pigtail or jumper.

The final test results shall be recorded, along with previous individual component values, on a special form assigned to each FDU. The Contractor shall obtain a completed form dated and signed by the Manufacturer's Quality Control supervisor. One copy of this form will be attached in a plastic envelope to the assembled FDU unit. The Contractor shall separately submit copies of the form to the Engineer, and shall be also be maintained on file by the manufacturer or supplier.

The assembled and completed FDU unit shall then be protectively packaged for shipment for installation.

Fiber Optic System Gain Margin.--The installed system gain margin shall be at least 6 dB for each and every link. If the design system gain margin is less than 6 dB, the Engineer shall be notified and informed of the Contractor's plan to meet that requirement.

Active Component Testing.--The transmitters and receivers shall be tested with a power meter and light source, to record the transmitter average output power (dBm) and receiver sensitivity (dBm). These values shall be recorded in the Link Loss Budget Worksheet shown in Appendix A.

System Verification at Completion.--Contractor shall test all fiber optic cables as shown on the Plans from Cable Node MAO12 (post mile 1.0) and Cable Node MAO025 (post mile 2.6).

1. Power Meter and Light Source

At the conclusion of the OTDR testing, 100 percent of the fiber links shall be tested end to end with a power meter and light source, in accordance with EIA Optical Test Procedure 171 and in the same wavelengths specified for the OTDR tests. These tests shall be conducted in one direction. As shown in Appendix A, the Insertion Loss (1C) shall be calculated.

Test results shall be recorded, compared, and filed with the other recordings of the same links. Test results shall be submitted to the Engineer. These values shall be recorded in the Cable Verification Worksheet in Appendix A.

2. OTDR Testing

Once the passive cabling system has been installed and is ready for activation, 100 percent of the fibers shall be tested with the OTDR for attenuation at wavelengths of both 1310 nm and 1550 nm. OTDR testing shall be performed in both directions (bi-directional), on all fibers. Test results shall be generated from software of the test equipment, recorded, dated, compared and filed with previous copies. A hard copy printout and an electronic copy of the traces and test results along with a licensed copy of the associated OTDR trace analysis software on a CD-R shall be submitted to the Engineer. The directories and files shall be organized to facilitate the location of the trace files by test, retest (if any), location, wavelength, and fiber tested. The average of the two losses shall be calculated, and recorded in the Cable Verification Worksheet in Appendix A. The OTDR shall be capable of recording and displaying anomalies of at least 0.02 dB. All connector losses must be displayed on the OTDR traces.

3. Cable Verification Worksheet

The Cable Verification Worksheet shown in Appendix A shall be completed for all links in the fiber optic system, using the data gathered during cable verification. The completed worksheets shall be included as part of the system documentation.

Passive Component Package Testing And Document.--In developing the passive component package, each connector termination (pigtail, or jumper) shall be tested for insertion attenuation loss using an optical power meter and source. In addition, all singlemode terminations shall be tested for return reflection loss. These values shall meet the loss requirements specified earlier and shall be recorded on a tag attached to the pigtail or jumper.Once an assembly is complete, the manufacturer shall visually verify all tagging of loss values is complete. As a final quality control measure, the manufacturer shall do an "end to end" optical power meter/light source test from pigtail end to end to the terminating point assure continuity and overall attenuation loss valued.

The final test results shall be recorded, along with previous individual component values, on a special form assigned to each FDU. The completed form shall be dated and signed by the Manufacturer's Quality Control supervisor. One copy of this form will be attached in a plastic envelope to the assembled FDU unit. Copies will be provided separately to the Contractor and to the Engineer, and shall also be maintained on file by the manufacturer or supplier.

The assembled and completed FDU unit shall then be protectively packaged for shipment to the Contractor for installation.

APPENDIX A

Cable Verification Worksheet

End-to-End Attenuation (Power Meter and Light Source) Testing and OTDR Testing

Contract No. _____ Contractor: _____

Operator: _____ Date: _____

Link Number: _____ Fiber Number: _____

Test Wavelength (Circle one): 1310 nm 1550 nm

Expected Location of fiber ends: End 1: _____ End 2: _____

Power Meter and Light Source Test Results:

Power In:	_____	dBm	1
Output Power:	_____	dBm	A
Insertion Loss [1A – 1B]:	_____	dB	1B
			1C

OTDR Test Results:

Forward Loss:	_____	dB	2
Reverse Loss:	_____	dB	A
Average Loss [(2A + 2B)/2]:	_____	dB	2B
			2C

To Be Completed by Caltrans:

Resident Engineer's Signature: _____

Cable Link Accepted: _____

INNERDUCT

Innerduct shall be installed wherever fiber optic (FO) cable is installed in conduit. Two innerducts shall be installed in one each Size 4 inch conduit. Each fiber optic cable shall be installed in its own innerduct.

Copper cable shall not be mixed with FO cable within the same innerduct.

Innerduct shall consist of an extruded flexible, tubing or fabric mesh pouch, smooth corrugated or ribbed high density polyethylene (HDPE) installed inside electrical conduit. The fiber optic cable shall be installed in the tubing. Innerduct within a conduit run shall be continuous without splices or joints.

Unless otherwise shown on the plans, innerduct for new conduit shall be nominal 1.25 inch inside diameter with wall thickness of 0.0906 inch ± 0.003 inch, and shall meet the following requirements:

A. Polyethylene for innerduct shall have a density of 59.6187 lb/ft^3 ± 0.3121 lb/in^3 (ASTM Designation: D 1505) and shall conform to the applicable requirements of ASTM Designation: D 3485, D 3035, D 2239, and D 2447, and the applicable requirements of NEMA TC7 and TC2. Tensile yield strength shall be 3300 psi minimum in accordance with the requirements in ASTM Designation: D 638.

B. The polyethylene forming each innerduct shall be color coded in accordance with the cable type that it contains as follows:

    1. 24 SMFO – yellow
    2. 12 SMFO – orange

The innerducts shall be shipped on reels marked with the manufacturer, the contract number, and the size and length of the innerduct. The product on reels shall be covered with aluminized material to protect colors from UV deterioration during shipment and storage.

Installation procedures shall conform to the procedures specified by the innerduct manufacturer.

PAYMENT

The contract lump sum price paid for modify communication system shall include full compensation for innerducts, communication pull box, splice vaults, twisted pair cables, fiber optic cables, twisted pair splice closures, fiber optic splice closures, communication conduits, 20 mils plastic sheets, cement pigments, warning tapes, tracer wire, fiber optic enclosures, fiber optic splicing, fiber optic testing, documentation and for doing all the work involved in modify communication system, complete in place, as shown on the plans, as specified in the Standard Specifications and these special provisions, and as directed by the Engineer.

BID ITEM LIST

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Item No.	Item Code	Item Description	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantity	Unit Price	Item Total
41	BLANK					
42	860400	LIGHTING (TEMPORARY)	LS	LUMP SUM	LUMP SUM	
43	999990	MOBILIZATION	LS	LUMP SUM	LUMP SUM	

TOTAL BID: $ _____