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UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH  
FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS DESIGN STANDARDS

SECTION 210100 – FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS

1. The design requirements contained in this tab (Division 21) shall be employed for every project. Approval must be obtained from the University of Pittsburgh Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project for any deviations made from the design requirements contained in this division. The design requirements herein shall be used as the minimum requirements.
2. Codes and Standards: The Design Professional shall comply with the requirements of all applicable codes and standards for each specific design project. The latest enforceable editions at the time of the Schematic Design submittal shall govern edition of standards to be used, to be confirmed with PA Labor & Industry).
  - a. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standards (latest edition referenced by current codes)
  - b. Underwriters Laboratories Inc (UL)
  - c. International Fire Code (latest edition)
  - d. International Building Code (latest edition)
  - e. International Mechanical Code (latest edition)
  - f. International Plumbing Code (latest edition)
  - g. International Fuel Gas Code (latest edition)
  - h. Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority, for Oakland Campus only
  - i. National Electrical Code (latest edition)
  - j. American Society of Mechanical Engineers
  - k. American Institute of Architects (AIA)
  - l. American National Standard Institute (ANSI)
  - m. American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM)
  - n. University of Pittsburgh Environmental Health and Safety Department.
  - o. Other as determined by Authority Having Jurisdiction
3. Projects solicited by the Mechanical/Plumbing/Fire Protection Project Managers:
  - a. RFP responses and Bid Packages where hard copies are delivered to the University shall be done so completely consisting of recyclable materials. Proposals provided with non-recyclable material shall be withdrawn from consideration.
4. All new buildings shall be fully sprinkled regardless of code requirements.
  - a. Special situations shall be handled on a case by case situation.
5. All appropriate NFPA 12, 20 and 25 Test Certificate's and documentation shall be provided to the University as part of the project Closeout documentation.
6. All designs for new and renovations with less than 50 sprinkler heads shall be based on the last available hydrant water flow test. For systems with 50 or more sprinkler heads, the design Professional shall request a hydrant flow test from the appropriate authority.
  - a. As part of the Schematic Design Process a hydrant flow test will be performed. This information shall be listed on the fire protection drawings.
  - b. For projects with less than 50 sprinkler heads (relocated and/or new) the final hydraulic calculations shall be based on a new hydrant water flow test as well as the latest fire pump test results, where applicable.
7. Calculations:
  - a. Hydraulic calculation and piping drawings shall be prepared under the supervision of a qualified fire protection engineer or designer having a NICET

level III certification in Automatic Sprinkler Systems Layout. After construction has been completed the installation contractor shall provide a set of record drawings (as-builts).

- b. Design densities and demand areas shall be determined per NFPA and IFC.
- c. All hazard groups shall be approved by the University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project AND by University EH&S.
- d. All fire protection systems shall be monitored via the building's Fire Alarm System.
- e. Design Calculations for inside pipe are to include  $C = 100$  for dry pipe and pre-action systems and  $C = 120$  for wet and deluge systems.
- f. A 10psi safety factor shall be designed into all hydraulic designed systems.
- g. Extended coverage sprinkler heads are not to be used without approval by the University Mechanical Engineer AND by University EH&S assigned to the project.
- h. Provide a utility approved backflow device on all fire water piping entrances to buildings.
- i. The Installing Division 21 Contractor shall be present at all system tests and inspections. The Designer shall require this through inclusion in their specification package.

8. University Insurance Company

- a. FM Global shall review final drawings, specifications and hydraulic calculations. Any additional comments or suggestions by FM Global shall be reviewed and where appropriate included in the design. This shall be as directed by University Mechanical Engineer assigned to project.

9. **Design Drawing Mandatory Requirements:**

- a. A code summary table shall be provided on the Fire Protection lead drawing sheet. The summary shall include:
  - i. Project name and physical address
  - ii. Occupancy description and hazard classification
  - iii. Design Summary:
    - 1. System square feet
    - 2. Design Area
    - 3. Ceiling heights
    - 4. Type of system (wet/dry/etc)
    - 5. Criteria for design (NFPA 13/20 etc)
    - 6. AHJ
    - 7. Design Density
    - 8. Hose Stream allowance (GPM)
    - 9. Sprinkler Spacing (Sqft)
    - 10. K-Factor
  - iv. Water Supply Information
    - 1. Hydrant locations
    - 2. Date/Time of test
    - 3. Static Pressure
    - 4. Residual Pressure
    - 5. Flow Rate
    - 6. Presence of a Fire Pump, Flow, Pressure, HP
- b. All drawings shall show fire and/or smoke rated walls, floors and other assemblies. Areas not sprinkled and areas subject to freezing shall be noted.
- c. The Professional shall identify the different classifications of occupancies on each floor or area along with water density requirements by zone.
- d. The drawings shall identify new and existing riser locations, sizes of risers, locations of mains and sizes.

- e. The drawings shall show locations of all new sprinkler heads, valves, test connections, fire department connections, tamper switches as well as any other items or devices that require connection to the fire alarm system.
  - f. The design professional shall perform a cross disciplinary check with the other professionals to ensure proper clearance between utilities, systems and components.
  - g. All existing to remain as well as new tamper and flow switches within the boundary of the project shall be connected to the building's addressable fire alarm system.
10. Piping and Valves:
- a. The fire service and the domestic service shall be brought into the building as separate feeds from the water main in the street as per the International Plumbing Code.
  - b. Copper piping for sprinkler systems shall not be allowed on any University of Pittsburgh property.
    - i. Unless required for areas, i.e. MRI suites.
  - c. CPVC shall be used only if approved in writing by University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
  - d. Dry Pipe and Pre-Action system piping shall be required to be schedule 40 carbon steel piping or Schedule 10 Stainless Steel.
  - e. Wet Pipe system piping shall be schedule 40 carbon steel piping.
  - f. Grooved couplings **only** as manufactured by Victaulic shall be allowed for use as sprinkler piping. Couplings shall be Victaulic FireLock. A visual inspection shall be provided for in the design to ensure all couplings are properly installed. Gaskets shall be listed for their intended use and specified in the project documents. Installing contractors must have had factory/on-site training within the past 12 months prior to starting any installation.
  - g. Provide an approved double detector check valve back flow preventer with a bypass meter for every sprinkler protected building and system. This assembly shall be located within the building where it is accessible for testing and maintenance. Meter shall be provided by Utility. Obtain approval for location of meter and remote reading device from Utility. Provide shutoff valve on building side of meter. Drain off backflow device shall be routed to nearest drain or daylight to exterior. Coordinate any exterior drain with University.
  - h. All fire protection test drains shall terminate at a floor drain or to the outside at an appropriate location approved by the University Architect and University Mechanical Engineer. Test drain discharge shall not be made through windows.
  - i. Standpipes shall be installed per requirements of IFC/IBC and NFPA 14 as well as required by local AHJ (Authority Having Jurisdiction).
    - i. The Professional shall provide appropriate drainage with each standpipe for testing of the fire hose valves with capped connections, confirm size with City of Pittsburgh Bureau of Fire, or local AHJ.
  - j. Ensure high point vents and a drain line with quarter turn ball valve are provided on every floor/zone to allow testing, filling and draining of system. Drain shall be routed to daylight, location to be approved by University. Drain shall be tested to confirm proper operation prior to system being put into service.
    - i. Piping shall be sloped such that air is directed towards the automatic air vents.
  - k. All fire piping shall be painted red or labeled as Fire Protection. Labelling shall be visible from any vantage point where sprinkler pipe is visible.
  - l. The fire hose valves shall be set for 100 psig operating pressure or pressure required by AHJ, whichever is greater.
  - m. Inspector's test connections on dry pipe systems shall be installed in a location that is fully accessible and meets all NFPA and Code requirements.

- n. The Professional shall be responsible for identifying areas where the sprinkler pipes and sprinkler heads of a wet pipe system could freeze in the absence of ventilation or heat or locations being too close to the exterior wall. Means of freeze protection shall be provided in the design under these circumstances. Freeze protection means shall be provided with an alarm to the campus BAS.
- o. Any heat tracing of the wet standpipes such as in garage areas or other areas shall be alarmed for freeze protection of the pipes.
- p. The Professional will review the use of fire department connections on the building roof where equipment is being installed. The isolation valve for the roof connection may be located in the stairwell.
- q. Sprinklers are not required in elevator machine rooms. The design team shall confirm with the AHJ (City of Pittsburgh Fire Marshall). This would eliminate the need for shunt trip breakers of the elevator motor.
  - i. PA Labor & Industry has been consulted regarding this issue (updated 2021).
- r. Valves:
  - i. UL-listed and FM-approved, with 300-psig non-shock minimum working pressure rating.
    - 1. Valves for use with grooved piping may be grooved type, compatible with the Victaulic system.
- s. Limited area sprinklers shall be allowed on a case by case basis.

#### 11. Mechanical Sleeve Seals

- a. Shall be provided by one of the following manufacturers:
  - i. Metraflex
  - ii. Kenco – Thunderline
  - iii. Other manufactures may be used, but shall require approval of University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project, prior to bidding.

#### 12. Fire Department Connections

- a. Exposed, Wall-Type Fire Department Connections: UL 405, cast-brass body; NH-standard thread inlets according to NFPA 1963 and matching local fire department threads; and threaded NPS outlet. Include lugged cap, gasket, and chain; lugged swivel connection and drop clappers for each hose connection inlet; and round wall escutcheon plate with marking “AUTO SPRINKLER”, “AUTO SPRINKLER STANDPIPE”, OR “STANDPIPE” as applicable.
  - i. Finish: Polished chrome plated.
  - ii. Coordinate type of Fire Department Connection required with local municipality for all regional campuses.
  - iii. Where an FDC serves multiple standpipes and/or zones in a facility, the signage shall also indicate which zones and standpipes are served.
- b. The City of Pittsburgh Bureau of Fire requires a combination strobe/horn to be installed above the FDC. This shall be included as part of the Building Fire Alarm system. Coordinate alarm requirements at the Fire Department Connection with local municipality for all regional campuses.

#### 13. Sprinkler Heads

- a. Must be UL and/or FM listed.
  - i. With preference to sprinkler heads approved by UL and FM.
- b. Rooms without Ceilings: Upright sprinklers.
- c. Rooms with Suspended Ceilings: Concealed sprinklers.
- d. Lobby/Reception Area: Concealed sprinklers.
- e. Wall Mounting: Sidewall sprinklers.
- f. Loading Docks/Walk-in Coolers/Freezers: Dry pendant sprinklers
- g. Sprinkler Finishes: Use sprinklers with following finishes:

- i. Upright, Pendent, and Sidewall Sprinklers: Chrome-plated in finished spaces exposed to view; rough bronze in unfinished spaces not exposed to view; wax-coated where exposed to acids, chemicals, or other corrosive fumes.
  - ii. Concealed Sprinklers: Rough brass, with factory-painted white cover plate.
  - iii. Recessed Sprinklers: Bright chrome, with bright chrome escutcheon.
- h. Flexible arm-overs shall not be allowed inside a building. In areas exposed to freezing, flexible arm-overs may be allowed, only upon written approval of University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
- i. Provide spare sprinkler heads per NFPA 13, or at a minimum of 6 per type installed. Provide spare sprinkler heads in a purpose built cabinet.
- j. Provide with two sprinkler wrenches as well as concealed sprinkler cover plates equal to 25% of the number installed.
- k. Where sprinkler heads are exposed to possible damage, wire guards shall be installed over heads. Sprinkler head guards shall be listed, supplied, and approved for use with the sprinkler heads by the sprinkler head manufacturer.

#### 14. Fire Pumps:

- a. Fire pumps shall be centrifugal, horizontal split case single stage pumps with suction and discharge connections in the lower half of the case. Use of vertical pumps shall be approved by University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
- b. Pumps shall not have less than 150 percent of rated capacity at not less than 65 percent of total head with a shutoff limit to 140 percent of total head.
- c. Pumps must provide, as a minimum, a residual pressure of 100 psi while flowing 500 gpm at the roof of each served facility.
- d. Provide a roof hydrant or a hose connection to allow yearly flow and pressure testing.
  - i. This is a requirement for high-rise buildings at regional campuses.
  - ii. This is a requirement for all facilities within the City of Pittsburgh.
  - iii. AHJ shall be contacted to ensure compliance on all facilities.
  - iv. Designer shall ensure proper drainage is available at the roof locations of hydrants and hose connections.
- e. Provide pump with full by-pass with check valve.
- f. Provide with a shaft grounding ring, installed per manufacturer's recommendations.
- g. The pump shall be connected to the driver with a rigid coupling.
- h. Provide a combination factory-wired as assembled fire pump controller with automatic transfer switch conforming to the latest edition of NFPA 20 and NFPA 70.
  - i. Controller shall be tied into the Building Automation System and monitored for troubles, alarms and on/off status.
- i. Provide a main water flow switch downstream of the fire pump discharge, this shall be an alarm initiating device and the fire pump running shall be monitored as a trouble condition not an alarm condition.
- j. Automatic and manual transfer switch shall be electrically operated and mechanically held switch. (Controller shall be soft start.)
- k. Jockey pump controller shall be across the line type for combined automatic and manual operation.
  - i. Jockey pump on/off status shall be monitored by the campus BAS, via current transducers.
- l. All new fire pump rooms shall exit directly to exterior of building.
  - i. Rooms shall maintain a minimum of a two hour fire rating.

- ii. No other utilities or other MEP ductwork, piping etc. are permitted to pass through the fire pump room unless directly associated with the room per NFPA 20.
- m. Where fire pumps are provided, the Professional shall provide adjustable pressure reducing valves on all fire hose connections, floor control valves and any other isolation valves to the sprinkler system.
- n. Fire Pump acceptance tests shall be witnessed by designated University trades, University EH&S, Fire Pump and Controller manufacturer, and AHJ.

15. Miscellaneous:

- a. Air compressors for all dry systems shall be provided with an air dryer and be placed on emergency power.
  - i. Size compressors for the code required 30 minute refill time limit.
- b. Fire Extinguishers
  - i. Where the City of Pittsburgh and the local Fire Marshall do not recognize an exemption in high rise facilities, Fire Extinguishers shall be provided.
- c. Clean Agent fire suppression systems may be considered for use in data centers and other computer server areas. Coordinate with University Mechanical Engineer assigned to project.
- d. Kitchen hoods shall be protected by a wet chemical fire suppression system. Coordinate with the Mechanical, Fire Alarm, Plumbing Kitchen and Architectural Design Professionals.
- e. The Professional shall indicate all service and maintenance areas. This information should be coordinated with plumbing, electrical, architectural, civil and structural drawings.
- f. System fill procedures in buildings with fire pumps, the following is the preferred method of filling systems during initial install or after system has been drained.
  - i. During backfilling only, the fire pump is shut off at the fire pump control panel and the jockey pump is used to fill the system.
  - ii. The fire alarm system is put into "test" mode so that the fire department does not get "false" trip notifications.
  - iii. Use of the jockey pump is slower but when filling back up a system and there is no water actually discharging from the system as such we do not want to use the fire pump to fill the system; filling the system with the fire pump will create water hammer within the piping system, which can be dangerous in older piping systems.
  - iv. The floor control valve assembly should also be opened slowly when recharging the system to minimize water hammer.
  - v. During system recharging a contractor will be stationed at the floor control valve opening the valve and a second member of the contractor's team stationed at the fire pump. Contractors to be in constant contact during system backfill.

16. Personnel Training:

- a. Provide at a minimum of 8 hours of training on all aspects of fire protection system for University staff. Training shall not be held until the start-up and commissioning of the subject electrical equipment or system is complete.

17. Demonstration of System Operation (system checkout):

- a. Testing
  - i. A final acceptance test of the sprinkler system, standpipes, and fire pumps conducted by the contractor in the presence of the Professional and University personnel.
  - ii. The sprinkler system shall be designed to minimize maintenance.
  - iii. All test stations shall be located in areas where testing does not affect occupants or programs and water discharge will not collect or freeze.

18. System Commissioning
  - a. In renovations where zones are added to/modified, the zone control valves and all associated tampers and flows shall be tested prior to final project acceptance.
  - b. All new zones and systems shall be functional tested.
  
19. The professional shall provide Bid Documents in **PDF and DWG** file formats to the University.
  
20. "AS-BUILT" Drawings and O&M Manuals
  - a. The Professional shall specify that, during the course of the work, the Contractor shall record all changes in the work on a set of the contract documents (in electronic format) to include one (1) set of corrected specifications. The Professional shall revise the original documents and provide the "As-Built" information in computer file form (PDF and DWG) to the University. This applies to all Trades involved with the work.
  - b. The date of substantial completion of the construction contract takes effect on the date when both the required training and O&M manuals have been fully received.
  - c. All major fire protection equipment (including but not limited to fire pump, fire pump controllers, dry-pipe cabinets, clean agent systems etc) shall have a warranty label placed in a conspicuous place. Label shall indicate start and end date of the warranty period. The start date shall be the date of final acceptance by the University.
  
21. Where applicable special considerations:
  - d. Provide alternate fire suppression for areas where required based on use and/or materials present in certain laboratories or other specialty spaces. All systems shall meet applicable codes and NFPA requirements. Refer to Laboratory Design Manual Section for additional guidelines.
  - e. Provide pressurization of stairwells, elevators in high rise buildings, where required, to meet the requirements of IFC/IBC/IMC, NFPA 92A and ASHRAE Guidelines.
  - f. Provide atrium smoke exhaust systems where required to meet the requirements of IFC/IBC/IMC, NFPA 92A and ASHRAE Guidelines.

END OF SECTION



UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH  
PLUMBING DESIGN STANDARDS

SECTION 220100 - PLUMBING GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. The design requirements contained in this tab (Division 22) shall be employed for every project. Approval must be obtained from the University of Pittsburgh Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project for any deviations made from the design requirements contained in this division. The design requirements herein shall be used as the bare minimum requirements.
2. Codes and Standards: The Design Professional shall comply with the requirements of all applicable codes and standards for each specific design project.
  - a. International Building Code (latest edition)
  - b. International Mechanical Code (latest edition)
  - c. International Plumbing Code (latest edition)
  - d. International Fire Code (latest edition)
  - e. International Fuel Gas Code (latest edition)
  - f. International Energy Conservation Code
  - g. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standards
  - h. Reduction of Lead in Drinking Water Act
  - i. ASHRAE Standards (latest editions), including but not limited to:
    - i. 188-2018
  - j. American Society of Plumbing Engineers (ASPE)
  - k. Allegheny County Plumbing Code (latest edition), for Oakland Campus only
  - l. Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority, for Oakland Campus only
  - m. Local Water and Sewer Authorities for Regional Campuses.
  - n. National Electrical Code (latest edition)
  - o. International Building Electrical Code (latest edition)
  - p. American Society of Mechanical Engineers
  - q. American Assoc. for Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC)
  - r. National Institute of Health (NIH)
  - s. American Institute of Architects (AIA)
  - t. American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists(ACGIH)
  - u. American National Standard Institute (ANSI)
  - v. American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM)
3. Projects solicited by the Mechanical/Plumbing/Fire Protection Project Managers:
  - a. RFP responses and Bid Packages where hard copies are delivered to the University shall be done so completely consisting of recyclable materials. Proposals provided with non-recyclable material shall be withdrawn from consideration.
4. Sustainability
  - a. The new Campus Sustainability Plan and our commitments to the Green Building Alliance Pittsburgh 2030 District are driving the campus to not only reduce energy use but also water use. In order to achieve these goals water use must be greatly reduced and where possible energy savings from water use must be realized.
    - i. All new facilities and all renovations shall have associated Water Use Intensity (WUI) goals. The professional shall provide modeling to show design compliance with the stated WUI targets.
5. General:
  - a. When renovating whole floors, or areas where gang toilets are located, vertical waste and vent piping shall be replaced from floor to ceiling.
  - b. The minimum pipe size for domestic cold water, hot water and recirculated hot water piping shall be 3/4".

- c. Methods and materials for wet taps, where permitted by the University Mechanical Engineer and Operations shall be submitted for approval by the A/E. Submittals shall include documentation on the products to be used with complete instructions and procedures to ensure successful wet taps.
    - i. This shall be approved the Design Professional and by University Operations.
  - d. Refer to ATC Section 230900 for meters, switches and equipment detail.
  - e. No gate valves shall be used on domestic water systems located within buildings, unless approved during design.
  - f. Refer to Division 23 of Design Manual for items not specifically covered herein. Including but not limited to: General Requirements, Basic Methods and Materials, Motors, Identification, Insulation and Jacketing, etc.
6. Calculations: For each project, a copy of all Plumbing calculations shall be submitted to the University when drawings are submitted for the DD drawing and specifications submittal; then again for the 95% construction drawings and specifications review and approval. Computerized calculations shall include zone data and building/zone summary sheets. The University reserves the right to request the detailed design data (inputs and outputs) for the entire project area.
- a. As a part of renovation projects the Design Professional shall provide calculation results showing the estimated energy savings that the new system will provide to the University. This shall be in a one page summary that shall include: existing system type, new system type, approximate energy per year or water per year saved (either in percentage or KW/kgal) and brief explanation of extent of savings.
7. Domestic Cold Water Systems:
- a. Limit water velocity to 8fps on mains and 4fps in branches.
  - b. Provide a water meter (required by PWSA or local AHJ), coordinate with water utility at the entrance to every building.
  - c. Provide an additional meter to be monitored by the University Energy Center. Coordinate location of meter with University Mechanical Engineer. Meter type shall be as required by Campus BAS standards. Communication shall be via BacNet.
  - d. Provide a backflow preventer at each building water entrance:
    - i. 2" and smaller: Similar to Watts 909
    - ii. 2-1/2" and larger: Similar to Watts 994 lead free.
  - e. For buildings containing lab facilities, two backflow devices shall be provided each sized for 2/3 of the capacity.
  - f. All new backflow devices shall be tested and a written report shall be provided to the University Construction Manager, the University Plumbing Shop, and included in the O&M materials.
  - g. Water pressures:
    - i. Provide 35psi at the furthest flush valve, 30psi at most remote safety shower or, as recommended by manufacturer and International Plumbing Code, of furthest/most remote fixture.
    - ii. Water Pressure Booster Pump: Where required provide a duplex or triplex booster pumping station. Pressure sensor shall be installed at most remote fixture, controlled to maintain the pressure required at that fixture. Where using a booster pump provide a hydro-pneumatic tank to prevent pump from excessively cycling.
      - 1. Booster Pump packages, complete with controllers shall be provided by B&G, Armstrong, or other approved manufacturers.
8. Domestic Hot Water Systems
- a. Limit water velocity to 8fps on mains and 4fps in branches.
  - b. Hot Water Generation
    - i. Oakland Campus
      - 1. Steam to hot water heat exchangers shall be provided.
    - ii. Regional campuses and Buildings in Oakland not connected to the Campus Steam system.

1. Solar water heaters shall be evaluated on all new projects and major renovations.
    - a. Where used, final decision shall be by University Mechanical Engineer assigned to project, provide as primary means of heating with gas/electric (as available) as back-up as part of a "dual energy" water heater.
  2. Electric water heaters are preferred over gas-fired heaters.
9. All new buildings and building additions shall evaluate rainwater and cooling coil condensate collection. Use of collected water may be cooling tower water make-up, irrigation or other as determined as feasible.
- a. For facilities that may require sump pumps to remove groundwater, collection and use of infiltrated water shall be reviewed.
10. Pipe Seals: Where piping passes through exterior walls or waterproofed floors, a sealing element manufactured from EPDM with interlocking links shall be used.
- a. Shall be provided by one of the following manufacturers:
    - i. Metraflex
    - ii. Kenco – Thunderline
    - iii. Other manufactures may be used but shall require approval of University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project, prior to bidding.
11. Backflow preventers shall be installed no more than 5 feet above floor and shall be readily accessible. Drain from backflow to be routed to nearest drain or daylight to exterior; coordinate exterior drain with University Project Manager.
12. Piping
- a. All metal piping shall be certified by NSF, ANSI, CISPI per use of piping. Certifications shall be provided as part of the shop drawing submittal phase of the project and approved by the Design Professional.
  - b. General:
    - i. Tee drilling copper piping is not acceptable.
  - c. Aboveground Hot and Cold Water:
    - i. Type L Copper meeting ASTM B88
    - ii. Fittings shall be wrought copper meeting ASME B16.22.
    - iii. Pipe and fittings shall be joined by solder meeting ASTM B32. The solder shall be a Tin-Antimony compound, Grade 95TA (95% Tin/5% Antimony). The use of solder containing lead is strictly prohibited.
  - d. Below ground Hot and Cold Water:
    - i. 4" and smaller
      1. Copper Type K meeting ASTM B88.
      2. Fittings shall be wrought copper meeting ASME B16.22.
      3. Pipe and fittings shall be joined using solder meeting ASTM B32. The solder shall be a Tin-Antimony compound, Grade 95TA (95% Tin/5% Antimony). The use of solder containing lead is strictly prohibited.
    - ii. 4" and larger
      1. Class 52 cement lined ductile iron meeting AWWA C151.
      2. Fittings shall be compact ductile iron pressure fittings coated and rated at 350 psi meeting AWWA C110/A21.10.
      3. Joints shall be mechanical type with gland, neoprene gaskets, and 3/4" x 3-1/2" bolts with nuts meeting AWWA C111/A21.11.
  - e. Aboveground Sanitary Waste and Storm
    - i. Cast Iron hubless meeting ASTM A888.
      1. PVC can be evaluated for use in non-dorm or non-classroom buildings. All locations must be approved by University.
    - ii. Fittings shall be cast iron meeting ASTM A888;

- iii. Cast iron pipe and fittings shall be joined using neoprene gaskets, heavy-duty stainless-steel clamps and shield assemblies meeting ASTM A666. Gaskets shall be approved by pipe manufacturer to ensure compatibility.
  - f. Belowground Sanitary Waste, Storm and Vent.
    - i. Cast Iron extra heavy weight hub and spigot meeting ASTM C-564 or ductile iron hub and spigot with rubber gaskets.
    - ii. Fittings shall be cast or ductile iron heavy duty.
    - iii. Cast iron pipe and fittings shall be joined using neoprene gaskets, heavy duty clamps and shield assemblies meeting ASTM A666. Gaskets shall be approved by pipe manufacturer to ensure compatibility.
  - g. Aboveground Sanitary Vent
    - i. Cast iron hubless service weight meeting A888.
    - ii. Fittings shall be cast iron meeting ASTM A888
    - iii. Cast iron pipe and fittings shall be joined using neoprene gaskets and heavy-duty stainless-steel clamps. Gaskets shall be approved by pipe manufacturer to ensure compatibility.
  - h. Medical Gas Piping
    - i. The minimum pipe size for oxygen, nitrous oxide, nitrogen, and medical compressed air piping shall be 1/2".
    - ii. All medical gas piping installation shall meet requirements of NFPA 99, latest edition and International Plumbing Code, latest edition.
    - iii. All medical gas brazers must be certified according to NFPA 99. A copy of the certification must be available upon request.
    - iv. Onsite cleaning shall be supervised by a member of the University staff.
    - v. Piping Systems Materials:
      - 1. Oxygen, Nitrous Oxide, Nitrogen, Medical Compressed Air and Vacuum Systems, Below Grade:
        - a. For all pipe sizes:
          - i. Pipe shall be Type K seamless annealed soft copper tube meeting ASTM B88
          - ii. Fittings shall be wrought copper meeting ANSI B16.22.
          - iii. Joints shall be BCuP silver braze meeting AWS A5.8. Ensure quality to avoid leaving excess flux on the interior off the joints.
          - iv. Piping shall be factory cleaned, purged and sealed and shall include labeling which reads "cleaned for medical gas service."
      - 2. Oxygen, Nitrous Oxide, and Nitrogen, Medical Compressed Air and Vacuum Systems, Above Grade:
        - a. For all pipe sizes:
          - i. Pipe shall be Type K or Type L seamless hard drawn copper tube meeting ASTM B819.
          - ii. Fittings shall be wrought copper meeting ANSI B16.22.
          - iii. Joints shall be BCuP silver braze meeting AWS A5.8.
          - iv. Piping shall be factory cleaned, purged and sealed and shall include labeling which reads "cleaned for medical gas service".
    - vi. Refer to University Laboratory Design Manual for additional information.
  - i. Laboratory Air and Vacuum Piping
    - i. The minimum pipe size for laboratory vacuum piping shall be 3/4".
    - ii. The piping shall meet the requirements of the International Mechanical Code, latest edition.
    - iii. Piping Systems Materials:
      - 1. Laboratory Air Piping:
        - a. For pipe sizes 2" and smaller:

- i. Pipe shall be: Schedule 40 galvanized steel meeting ASTM A53, Grade B; type K copper meeting ASTM B88; acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene (ABS) plastic meeting ASTM D3965; or, high-density polyethylene (HDPE) plastic meeting ASTM D1248.
    - ii. Fittings shall be: malleable iron meeting ASME B16.3; wrought copper or copper alloy meeting ASME B16.22; ABS plastic meeting ASTM D3965; or, HDPE plastic meeting ASTM D1248.
    - iii. Joints shall be threaded, soldered, and solvent welded, or fusion welded.
    - iv. The Professional shall verify the suitability of ABS piping for a particular application before specifying its use.
    - v. The Professional shall verify the suitability of ABS and HDPE piping for each application's pressure and temperature requirements before specifying its use.
  - b. For pipe sizes 2-1/2 inches and larger:
    - i. Pipe shall be: Schedule 40 galvanized steel meeting ASTM A53, Grade B; type K copper meeting ASTM B88; acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene (ABS) plastic meeting ASTM D3965; or, high-density polyethylene (HDPE) plastic meeting ASTM D1248.
    - ii. Fittings shall be forged steel welding type meeting ASTM A234 wrought copper or copper alloy meeting ASME B16.22; ABS plastic meeting ASTM D3965; or, HDPE plastic meeting ASTM D1248.
    - iii. Joints shall be welded in accordance with AWS D1.1; soldered, solvent welded or fusion welded.
    - iv. The Professional shall verify the suitability of ABS piping for a particular application before specifying its use.
    - v. The Professional shall verify the suitability of ABS and HDPE piping for each application's pressure and temperature requirements before specifying its use.
- 2. Laboratory Vacuum Piping:
  - a. For all pipe sizes:
    - i. Pipe shall be: Type K or L hard drawn copper meeting ASTM B88.
    - ii. Fittings shall be wrought copper meeting ASME B16.22.
    - iii. Joints shall be BCuP silver braze meeting AWS A5.8.
    - iv. As an alternate stainless steel 304 ASTM A312 seamless pipe schedule 40 with stainless steel fittings, flanges, bolts and nuts and all welded construction could be used.
  - iv. The discharge from the vacuum pumps shall be vented to outdoors at the roof level.
    - 1. The discharge from vacuum pumps 1 HP and smaller may be vented into a laboratory exhaust air ductwork for discharge to outdoors.
  - v. The Professional shall provide acoustical enclosures around the vacuum pumps to reduce noise to the adjacent spaces even when the units are pre-purchased by the University.
  - vi. The Professional shall provide oil free air compressors and desiccant dryers for - 40° F dew point with appropriate filtration for the laboratory air.
  - vii. Equipment such as NMRs require 90 psig constant air pressure for proper operation. The air compressor/s shall be sized for 1/3 operating time and operate between 130 psig to 110 psig with a 10-psi pressure drop for accessories to deliver minimum 100 psig air pressure. The Professional shall provide compressed air

flow diagram on the drawings. Duplex compressors may be provided for redundancy, if required by user.

1. Compressed air systems for other equipment shall be designed with the same methodology as above.
- viii. The Professional should evaluate the need to put air compressor/s on emergency power based on discussions with users.
- ix. The Professional shall evaluate VFD drives for air compressors, provide to and receive direction from University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
- x. Pipe Identification – refer to Section 230553 for identification and color coding of pipes.
- xi. Refer to University Laboratory Design Manual for additional information.
- j. Laboratory Waste Piping
  - i. The minimum pipe size shall be 1-1/4".
  - ii. The piping system shall meet the requirements of International Plumbing Code, latest edition.
  - iii. The plumbing fixtures in the laboratories shall be provided with a drainage system separate from the sanitary drainage system as per the University Laboratory Standards. All lab waste shall tie-in to building sanitary near the building exit.
  - iv. The laboratory waste shall be controlled by an Owner program so that no waste acid or alkali is dumped to the drain system. The laboratory waste system will be connected to the sanitary waste system. Pit monitoring station and neutralizing tank on the laboratory waste will be provided only with the approval of the University's Environmental Health and Safety Department.
  - v. The term "Acid Waste" or "Laboratory Waste" shall not be used on the drawings and specifications.
  - vi. Piping System Materials:
    1. Laboratory Waste and Vent Piping, Below Grade:
      - a. For all pipe sizes:
        - i. Pipe shall be Schedule 40 polypropylene, Orion (Blue) pipe or equal.
        - ii. Fittings shall be Schedule 40 socket fused polypropylene.
        - iii. Joints shall be heat fused for polypropylene pipe.
      2. Laboratory Waste and Vent Piping, Above Grade:
        - a. For all pipe sizes:
          - i. Pipe shall be Schedule 40 polypropylene. Orion (Blue) pipe or equal.
          - ii. Fittings shall be grooved Schedule 40 polypropylene
          - iii. Joints shall be mechanical type with stainless steel compression clamps for polypropylene pipe.
          - iv. Where possible lab vents shall be directed to the roof of the facility separate from building sanitary vents.
    - vii. Refer to University Laboratory Design Manual for additional information.
  - k. Compressed Air Piping
    - i. The minimum pipe size for compressed air piping shall be 1/2".
    - ii. The piping shall meet the requirements of ASPE and International Plumbing Code, latest edition.
    - iii. The Professional shall provide schematic piping diagram for the compressed air system on the construction design drawings. The diagram shall include all filtering, cooling, drying and pressure regulating requirements.
    - iv. The air compressors shall be sized for 1/3 operating time for the total system compressed air requirements. Use of dual compressors shall be evaluated during design.
    - v. Piping Systems Materials:
      1. Compressed Air Piping:
        - a. For pipe sizes 2" and smaller:

- i. Pipe shall be: Schedule 40 galvanized steel meeting ASTM A53, Grade B; type K copper meeting ASTM B88; acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene (ABS) plastic meeting ASTM D3965; or, high-density polyethylene (HDPE) plastic meeting ASTM D1248.
    - ii. Stainless steel pipe and fittings may be used in lieu of steel or copper: Pipe shall be ASTM A312, Schedule 10S, Type 304/304L stainless steel with plain ends. Fittings shall be precision, cold drawn, stainless steel with elastomer O-ring seals, suitable for working pressure to 500-psig (3450-kPa).
      - 1. Vic-Press stainless steel joints and fittings shall be allowed when used with stainless steel piping.
    - iii. Fittings shall be malleable iron meeting ASME B16.3; wrought copper or copper alloy meeting ASME B16.22; ABS plastic meeting ASTM D3965; or, HDPE plastic meeting ASTM D1248.
    - iv. Joints shall be threaded, soldered, solvent welded, or fusion welded.
    - v. The Design Professional shall verify the suitability of ABS piping for a particular application before specifying its use.
    - vi. The Design Professional shall verify the suitability of ABS and HDPE piping for each application's pressure and temperature requirements before specifying its use.
  - b. For pipe sizes 2-1/2 inches and larger:
    - i. Pipe shall be: Schedule 40 galvanized steel meeting ASTM A53, Grade B; type K copper meeting ASTM B88; acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene (ABS) plastic meeting ASTM D3965; or, high-density polyethylene (HDPE) plastic meeting ASTM D1248.
    - ii. Fittings shall be forged steel welding type meeting ASTM A234 wrought copper or copper alloy meeting ASME B16.22; ABS plastic meeting ASTM D3965; or, HDPE plastic meeting ASTM D1248.
    - iii. Joints shall be welded in accordance with AWS D1.1; soldered, solvent welded or fusion welded.
    - iv. The Design Professional shall verify the suitability of ABS piping for a particular application before specifying its use.
    - v. The Design Professional shall verify the suitability of ABS and HDPE piping for each application's pressure and temperature requirements before specifying its use.
    - vi. Victaulic Style 905, 907, and 908 installation-ready joints may be used in exposed areas and above lay-in type ceilings.
  - vi. Refer to University Laboratory Design Manual for additional information.
- I. Natural Gas
  - i. 2" and smaller:
    - 1. Schedule 40 steel (ASTM 53) with malleable-iron threaded fittings and threaded joints.
  - ii. 2-1/2" and larger:
    - 1. Schedule 40 steel (ASTM 53) with welded fittings joints.
  - iii. Outdoor piping shall be painted with rust inhibitor, color to match Design Manual Section 230553.
  - iv. Underground piping shall be stainless steel gas tubing encased in conduit vented to the exterior of the building.

- v. Natural gas piping shall not be buried under a building.
  - m. Couplings
    - i. Where soldering/brazing is impossible to complete, the use of couplings similar to Hymax or Dresser may be used. Piping on either side of couplings shall be secured such that couplings and attached piping have limited movement.
  - n. All piping shall be pressure tested.
    - i. Sanitary and Storm piping shall be hydrostatically tested, pressure shall be determined by Design Professional.
    - ii. Design Professional shall recommend method and pressure of testing of all other piping systems.
13. Valves:
- a. General:
    - i. Shut off (isolation) valves shall be provided on inlet and outlet, to each piece of plumbing equipment item and on supply to each plumbing fixture.
      - 1. Preferred valve type: full port ball valve, quarter turn, bubble tight shutoff.
    - ii. Isolation valves shall be provided at each floor take-off and branch take-offs serving 3 or more plumbing fixtures or pieces of equipment.
      - 1. Preferred valve type: full port ball valves with quarter turn, bubble tight shutoff.
    - iii. Drain valves
      - 1. Shall be provided on each plumbing equipment item located to allow full drainage of equipment for service and repair.
      - 2. Shall be provided at base of each riser, at low points of horizontal runs, and where required to allow drainage of water distribution piping system.
      - 3. Shall be quarter turn, ball valve with hose end connection, hose end cap and chain.
      - 4. Coordinate floor drains with equipment to allow proper drainage.
    - iv. Stop and waste valves shall be provided on branch piping upstream of hydrants and hose bibbs.
    - v. Spring loaded check valves shall be provided on discharge side of pumps.
    - vi. Swing check valves shall be provided in hot water recirculation systems to direct flow.
    - vii. Check valves shall be provided on domestic water piping (hot and cold) serving each janitor's closet mop basin and ice machines.
    - viii. All butterfly valves shall be of lug type, unless noted otherwise herein.
  - b. Throttling Valves:
    - i. Shall be Globe or v-port type Ball valve.
    - ii. Others as approved by the University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
  - c. Pump Discharge Check Valves:
    - i. For 2-inches NPS and smaller, swing check valves.
    - ii. For 2 1/2-inches NPS and larger, non-slam wafer-style plate check valves.
  - d. Acceptable manufacturers:
    - i. Globe, ball and drain valves:
      - 1. Shall be Watts, Crane, Stockham, Jamesbury, W-K-M, Jenkins, Milwaukee, Conbraco, Lunkenheimer, or approved equal.
    - ii. Natural gas check valves:
      - 1. Dezurik, Milliken or approved equal.
    - iii. Butterfly valves for domestic hot and cold water:
      - 1. Adams, Center Line, Watts, Milwaukee, Jamesbury, Conbraco, Crane, Stockham, Lunkenheimer, or approved equal.
    - iv. Pressure reducing, safety relief valves and safety valves:
      - 1. Watts Regulator Co., Bell & Gossett, Leslie Controls Inc., Kunkle Valve Division, Spirax-Sarco, and Spence Engineering Co.



14. Valve Product Specifications:

Legend: CI – Cast Iron  
 CS - Carbon Steel  
 SS – Stainless Steel  
 ISRS - Inside Screw Rising Stem  
 OS & Y - Outside Screw and Yoke  
 CMP – Composition  
 RPTFE – Reinforced PTFE

Domestic Cold Water:

Size	(1) Class	Valve Type: Gate (Underground) Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
4" & UP	250	Ductile Iron	SS	Iron	Mech. Jt.	ISRS

Size	(2) Class	Valve Type: <u>Ball</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2" & DN600 CWP		Bronze RPTFE	SS	Screwed	Lever	

Size	(3) Class	Valve Type: <u>Butterfly</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2-1/2" & UP	300	CI or DI	EPDM	CS/SS	Lugged	Gear

Size	(4) Class	Valve Type: <u>Globe</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2-1/2" & UP	150	CCS	CCS	CCS	Flanged	OS & Y
2" & DN	200 CWP	Bronze	SS	SS	Screwed	ISRS

Size	(5) Class	Valve Type: <u>Check</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2-1/2" & UP	150	CI or CS	Bronze	CI	Flange non-slam spring assisted	
2" & DN	200 CWP	Bronze	Bronze	Bronze	Screwed	Swing

Service: Equipment Drains, Condensate:

Size	(2) Class	Valve Type: <u>Ball</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2" & DN	600 CWP	Bronze	RPTFE	SS	Screwed	Lever

Size	(2) Class	Valve Type: <u>Butterfly</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2-1/2" & UP	150	CCS	CS	CS	Lugged	Lever

a. Service: Natural Gas

Size	(1) Class	Valve Type: Plug Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
All	175	CI	Rubber	Steel	Screwed	Key

Size	(2) Class	Valve Type: Double Door Check Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2-1/2 & UP	125	DI or SS	EPDM	SS	Flanged	None

15. HVAC and other non-potable water system connections shall be provided with a code compliant backflow prevention device.
16. Water purification systems: The Engineer shall discuss the intent and approach of the design with the University prior to the start of the design.
17. Pure water systems (RO and/or DI):
  - a. Every branch shall have a re-circulated return.
  - b. The piping for de-ionized water shall be 304 stainless steel of all welded construction, schedule 40 polypropylene or PVDF piping.
    - i. Proper valving, gaskets, insulation and accessories shall be provided to match needs of system.
18. The Professional shall provide cold and hot water pipe riser diagrams for all new work connecting to the existing systems and for new facilities. Show all required shock absorbers.
19. The Professional shall provide waste and vent pipe riser diagrams for all new work connecting to the existing systems and for new facilities. Provide invert elevations of sanitary drains.
20. The Professional shall provide fixture load calculations on the drawings for new facilities and for renovations to evaluate new and existing sizing of cold and hot water piping systems.
21. Pipe Identifications: All piping systems shall be provided with the University's standard identification symbols and colored code banding as listed under Division 23 guidelines.
22. Domestic hot water systems shall include recirculation loops. Recirculation pumps over 2 HP shall use a variable frequency drive and differential pressure sensors at the furthest point in the system.
  - a. Wait time at fixtures for hot water shall meet the latest codes.
  - b. Packaged Digital Mixing Valves may be used in lieu of thermostatic mixing valves where low flow conditions dominate the use of the hot water system.
23. The contents of ALL storage tanks must be prominently displayed on the tank.
24. When removing domestic water piping service fixtures or equipment, remove all piping back to nearest active main pipe to avoid stagnation.
25. Plumbing fixtures shall not be installed above electrical rooms, tele/data or security closets.

26. Provide freeze proof wall hydrants on exterior walls at a maximum of 150 feet apart, at loading docks, near any outdoor mechanical equipment, at least one on exterior wall of penthouses with adjacent accessible roofs. Height of hydrant shall be above the snow line.
27. Water Hammer Arrestors shall be certified by the PDI.
28. Sanitary Piping buried beyond 5'-0" of building: Piping shall be in accordance with the requirements of the City of Pittsburgh or the requirements of the local Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ).
29. Sanitary and Vent buried within 5'-0" of building: Piping shall be in accordance with the requirements of the City of Pittsburgh or the requirements of the local Authority.
  - a. Where required building traps shall be equipped with at least one, preferably two clean-outs and a relief or fresh air vent on the inlet side of the trap. The relief or fresh air intake shall be carried above the grade outside the building and terminate with a screened outlet. Coordinate with the AHJ providing sewer service to the building.
30. The minimum pipe size for underground sanitary piping shall be 4".
31. All plumbing fixtures for the rest rooms shall be wall mounted. Floor mounted fixtures shall only be permitted with University Architect approval.
32. All rest rooms shall be provided with at least one floor drain. This shall include single fixture rest rooms.
33. Trap seals of floor drains subject to loss by evaporation shall be provided with trap seal primer valve as per International Plumbing Code.
34. Condensate from the cooling coils should not be connected to the storm conductor. Condensate from the cooling coils is considered non-potable waste by the University and should be discharged thru the waste/sanitary system.
  - a. Unless being reclaimed for other purposes.
    - i. Condensate recovery shall be evaluated for reclamation for use in other systems.
35. Storm
  - a. All projects shall review the ability to collect and reuse Storm Water.
  - b. The minimum pipe size for aboveground storm drainage piping shall be 3". The minimum pipe size for underground storm drainage piping shall be 4".
  - c. Minimum size of roof drain shall be 3".
  - d. The drainage system shall meet the requirements of International Plumbing Code, latest edition.
  - e. Secondary roof drains (emergency) shall be provided as per International Plumbing Code.
  - f. Pipe Sizing:
    - i. The storm drainage system shall be sized for 100-year hourly rainfall rate for University's various campuses per the latest edition of the International Plumbing Code.
36. Flush valves shall be solar powered with battery backup.
37. Lavatory fixtures shall be solar powered with battery backup, auto sensing type with 0.5 GPM aerators.
38. To minimize wait times for hot water, point of use heaters shall be evaluated as part of design.
39. Maintenance Staff Safety
  - a. Access to all pumps, motors, valves etc. that require maintenance, at least yearly per equipment manufacturer O&M's, shall be provided with adequate means of access.

- b. Unacceptable access conditions:
  - i. Crawling under or stepping on or over ductwork/piping.
  - ii. Access outboard of exterior railings or other fall protection means.
  - iii. Greater than four feet above ceilings, unless approved by University Project Manager and University Operations.

40. The professional shall provide Bid Documents in **PDF and DWG** file formats to the University.

41. **“AS-BUILT” DRAWINGS, TRAINING, AND O&M MANUALS**

- a. The Professional shall specify that, during the course of the work, the Contractor shall record all changes in the work on a set of the contract documents (in electronic format) to include one (1) set of corrected specifications. The Professional shall revise the original documents and provide the “As-Built” information in computer file form (PDF and DWG) to the University. This applies to all Trades involved with the work.
- b. The Professional shall specify that training sessions for each piece of plumbing equipment or each plumbing system shall be a minimum of eight hours each. Training shall not be held until the start-up and commissioning of the subject electrical equipment or system is complete.
- c. The date of substantial completion of the construction contract takes effect on the date when both the required training and O&M manuals have been fully received.
- d. All major plumbing equipment (including but not limited to water heaters, heat exchangers, domestic booster stations, RODI systems, vacuum pumps, air compressors and VFDs) shall have a warranty label placed in a conspicuous place. Label shall indicate start and end date of the warranty period. The start date shall be the date of final acceptance by the University. Warranty must also be included in the O&M Manuals.

42. Plumbing Fixture Preferred Basis of Design:

- a. Electric Water Coolers
  - i. Wall hung w/ bottle filler (no filter or filter indicator light)
    - 1. Oasis PG8SBFSL
- b. Floor Drains
  - i. Zurn – brushed stainless steel finish
- c. Flushometer
  - i. Sloan Regal Automatic with side mount sensor
- d. Flush Valve
  - i. Operating pressures under 80psi
    - 1. Urinals
      - a. Sloan Model 186 – 0.125gpf.
    - 2. Water Closets
      - a. Sloan Model Royal 111 -1.28gpf
  - ii. Operating pressures up to 120psi
    - 1. Urinals
      - a. Moen model M-Power 8316 – 0.125gpf.
    - 2. Water Closets
      - a. Moen model M-Power 8311AC12 -1.28gpf
  - iii. **In older buildings on Campus, standard flow flush valves SHALL be used at the last fixture on each branch of waste piping. As existing waste piping is typically not sloped enough to allow for full use of low flow fixtures.**
- e. Ionization Unit
  - i. Liquitac or equal.
- f. Single occupant lavatories
  - i. Kohler undermount Caxton Oval K-2211 (White)
    - 1. Size to be coordinated per project
  - ii. Symmetrix S-250-LWG w 0.5 gpm aerator
- g. Gang Toilet Lavatories

- i. TBD. Shall be based on selection approval by University PM
    - h. Gang Toilet Lavatory Faucets
      - i. Sloan Optima-EAF275 solar powered battery backup 0.5gpm
    - i. Service Sink
      - i. Basin – Florstone 90 36x36
      - ii. Faucet – Chicago Faucet No 897
    - j. Breakroom Sinks
      - i. Elkay Lustertone Stainless Steel.
        - 1. Size to be coordinated with Design Professional at University PM
    - k. Sink Faucets
      - i. Sink
        - 1. Single lever or dual paddle levers.
        - 2. Dual paddle to be used for all Breakroom sinks.
    - l. Urinal
      - i. Wall Hung, Pint Flush
      - ii. American Standard ‘Washbrook Flowise’
    - m. Gang Showers
      - i. Wall mount, Symmons 4-163-1.5. 1.5 GPM. Polished Chrome
      - ii. Wall mount, American Standard FloWise 1660.718.002 1.5 GPM, 3-function vandal resistant, Polished Chrome.
    - n. Water Closets
      - i. Wall hung, Kohler K-4325 (White)
43. Plumbing Equipment Preferred Manufacturers:
- a. Steam to Domestic Hot Water Heaters
    - i. Shall be Bell and Gossett, PVI, Spirax Sarco, Leslie, Aerco or Armstrong.
  - b. Booster Pumps
    - i. ITT, Grundfos, Taco, Goulds
  - c. Gas Water Heaters
    - i. AO Smith, Bradford White, State, Lochinvar
  - d. Backflow Preventers
    - i. Hersey, Watts, Zurn.
  - e. Drinking Fountains
    - i. Oasis, Elkay, Halsey Taylor, Haws
  - f. Lavatories
    - i. American Standard, Eljer, Kohler, Crane, Zurn
  - g. Sink Faucets
    - i. Symmetrix, American Standard, Chicago Faucet, Kohler
  - h. Water Closets
    - i. American Standard, Eljer, Kohler, Crane, Zurn
  - i. Urinals
    - i. American Standard, Eljer, Kohler, Crane, Zurn
  - j. Flush Valves
    - i. Sloan, Zurn, Gebriet, approved equals
  - k. Thermostatic Mixing Valves
    - i. Leonard, Powers, Bradley, Symmons, Lawler
  - l. Digital Mixing Valves – Packaged System
    - i. Powers
  - m. Showers
    - i. Symmons, American Standard
  - n. Sinks
    - i. Elkay, Moen
  - o. Mop Basins
    - i. Crane, Florestone, Stern-Williams, Zurn
  - p. Hose Bibbs, Wall Hydrants
    - i. Josam, Smith, Woodford, Zurn, Mifab

- q. Emergency Eyewash and Combination Fixtures
  - i. Bradley, Encon, Haws, Speakman
- r. Outlet Boxes
  - i. IPS, Oatey, Symmons, approved equals.
- s. Water Hammer Arrestors
  - i. Josam, PPP, Zurn, MiFab
- t. Additional manufacturers may be used when alternate product closely matches the intended use. These shall be coordinated with the University Project Manager and University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.

#### 44. Monitoring and Controls

- a. All equipment and systems shall be monitored by the existing Campus control system via BACnet interface. Minimum control points and graphics shall be provided for the following. Additional may be necessary depending on the scope of the project.
  - i. Domestic Hot Water System
    - 1. Supply temperature
    - 2. Return temperature
    - 3. Mixed temperature (if using a thermostatic mixing valve)
    - 4. Building supply pressure
    - 5. Recirculation loop pump status
    - 6. Power draw from recirculation pump.
    - 7. Water Heater status
    - 8. Alarms for all equipment.
  - ii. Domestic Cold-Water System
    - 1. Building supply pressure
    - 2. Supply temperature
    - 3. Building Flow Meter
    - 4. Flow meter for Process Water systems, HVAC make-up water, closed loop HVAC, etc.
    - 5. Booster pump inlet and outlet pressures
    - 6. Booster pump status
    - 7. Sump and Ejector Pump status
    - 8. Alarms for all equipment.

END OF SECTION

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH  
MECHANICAL DESIGN STANDARDS

SECTION 230100 - MECHANICAL GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. The design requirements contained in this tab (Division 23) shall be employed for every project. Approval must be obtained from the University of Pittsburgh Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project for any deviations made from the design requirements contained in this division. The design requirements herein shall be used as the bare minimum requirements.
2. Codes and Standards: The Design Professional shall comply with the requirements of all applicable codes and standards for each specific design project. *The latest editions at the time of the Schematic Design submittal shall govern edition of standards to be used.*
  - a. International Building Code (latest edition)
  - b. International Mechanical Code (latest edition)
  - c. International Plumbing Code (latest edition)
  - d. International Fire Code (latest edition)
  - e. International Fuel Gas Code (latest edition)
  - f. International Energy Conservation Code (latest edition)
  - g. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standards (latest editions)
  - h. Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry
  - i. ASHRAE Standards (latest editions), including but not limited to:
    - i. 90.1-Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise
    - ii. 55-Thermal Environmental Conditions for Human Occupancy
    - iii. 62.1-Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality
    - iv. 188-Legionellosis: Risk Management for Building Water Systems.
    - v. 15-Safety Standard for Refrigeration Systems
    - vi. 52.2-Method of Testing General Ventilation Air-Cleaning Devices
  - j. Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority, for Oakland Campus only
  - k. National Electrical Code (latest edition)
  - l. American Society of Mechanical Engineers
  - m. American Assoc. for Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC)
  - n. National Institute of Health (NIH)
  - o. American Institute of Architects (AIA)
  - p. Sheet Metal & Air-conditioning Contractors National Assoc. (SMACNA)
  - q. American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH)
  - r. American National Standard Institute (ANSI)
  - s. American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM)
  - t. Pennsylvania Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code
  - u. Other as determined by Authority Having Jurisdiction
3. Projects solicited by the Mechanical/Plumbing/Fire Protection Project Managers:
  - a. RFP responses and Bid Packages where hard copies are delivered to the University shall be done so completely consisting of recyclable materials. Proposals provided with non-recyclable material shall be withdrawn from consideration.
4. Sustainability
  - a. The new Campus Sustainability Plan and our commitments to the Green Building Alliance Pittsburgh 2030 District are driving the campus to reduce energy use as well as water use. In order to achieve these goals energy use must be greatly reduced.

5. Energy Use Intensity/Water Use Intensity (EUI/WUI)
  - a. The University requirements for EUI and WUI shall be set on a project by project basis. The overarching goal is to meet University Sustainability Guideline requirements for the 2030 District.
    - i. <https://www.sustainable.pitt.edu/meet-the-pitt-sustainability-plan/>
  - b. Final EUI and WUI targets shall be approved by the University Mechanical Engineer assigned to project as well as the University Project Manager.
  
6. Outdoor Design Temperatures:
  - a. The following outdoor air temperatures shall be used for the purpose of calculating space and/or block heating and cooling loads:
    - i. Winter Outdoor Air Dry Bulb Design Temperatures:
      1. Oakland Campus: 2° F
      2. Johnstown Campus: 3° F
      3. Greensburg Campus: 2° F
      4. Titusville Campus: 2° F
      5. Bradford Campus: -6° F
    - ii. Summer Outdoor Air Dry Bulb and Wet Bulb Design Temperatures: (too more closely match ASHRAE 0.4% conditions)
      1. Oakland Campus: 91° FDB/72° FWB 90/73 (evaporation 75WB 85F Mean Coincident Dry Bulb)
      2. Johnstown Campus: 86° FDB/70° FWB 86/71 (evaporation 73WB 82F Mean Coincident Dry Bulb)
      3. Greensburg Campus: 91° FDB/72° FWB 90/73 (evaporation 75WB 85F Mean Coincident Dry Bulb)
      4. Titusville Campus: 89° FDB/71° FWB 88/73 (evaporation 75WB 84F Mean Coincident Dry Bulb)
      5. Bradford Campus: 87° FDB/71° FWB 84/69 (evaporation 72WB 80F Mean Coincident Dry Bulb)
  - b. The following outdoor air temperatures shall be used for selecting HVAC equipment.
    - i. Cooling Towers and Evaporative Condensers/Condensing Units:
      1. Oakland Campus: 78° FWB
      2. Johnstown Campus: 78° FWB
      3. Greensburg Campus: 78° FWB
      4. Titusville Campus: 78° FWB
      5. Bradford Campus: 78° FWB
    - ii. Air Cooled Chillers, Air Cooled Condensing Units and Packaged Air Conditioning Units: (all ASHRAE 0.4% DB are below 90 for all campuses)
      1. Oakland Campus: 95° F
      2. Johnstown Campus: 95° F
      3. Greensburg Campus: 95° F
      4. Titusville Campus: 95° F
      5. Bradford Campus: 95° F
  
7. Indoor Air Design Conditions: The following indoor air temperatures shall be used for the purpose of calculating block and/or space heating and cooling loads as well as initial system set points.
  - a. Winter Indoor Air Dry Bulb Temperatures
    - i. Typical occupied spaces: 70° F ± 2° F.
    - ii. Labs housing and caring for animals: As required by the current edition of "Guide for Care and Use of Laboratory Animals". Confirm with University PM prior to design.



- iii. Typical unoccupied spaces (such as storage rooms, vestibules, etc.): 55°F ± 5° F
      - iv. Unoccupied spaces (such as mechanical equipment rooms, electrical equipment rooms, etc.): 50°F minimum.
      - v. Unoccupied spaces (such as toilet rooms): 68° F ± 2° F.
      - vi. Elevator equipment rooms: 40°F minimum and 95° F maximum.
    - b. Summer Indoor Air Dry Bulb and Wet Bulb Temperatures:
      - i. Typical occupied spaces: 74° F ± 2° F with maximum 50%RH
      - ii. Labs housing and caring for animals: As required by the current edition of "Guide for Care and Use of Laboratory Animals". Confirm with University PM prior to design.
      - iii. Typical Unoccupied spaces (such as storage rooms, vestibules, etc.): 80°F ± 5° F with maximum 60%RH.
      - iv. Unoccupied spaces (such as mechanical equipment rooms, electrical equipment rooms, etc.): 90°F maximum, non-condensing conditions at all times.
      - v. Unoccupied spaces (such as toilet rooms): 76° F ± 2° F with maximum 50% RH
      - vi. Elevator equipment rooms: 40°F minimum and 95° F maximum, non-condensing conditions at all times.
    - c. Indoor Air Winter Design Humidity Levels:
      - i. The following humidity levels shall be maintained for the spaces as listed, unless directed otherwise by the University PM:
        - 1. General laboratory spaces: 25% RH ± 10%
        - 2. Labs housing and caring for animals: As required by the current edition of "Guide for Care and Use of Laboratory Animals". Confirm with University PM prior to design.
        - 3. Computer rooms where required: 30% RH ± 5% minimum and 55% RH ± 5% maximum.
8. Supply Air Temperature:
- a. Heating supply air temperatures shall be no more than 15°F above room design set point.
    - i. Where supply air temperatures are required to be 15°F above space set point, the ventilation air volume shall be adjusted upwards per ASHRAE 62.1.
  - b. Cooling air supply air temperatures shall be a maximum of 55°F. Lower temperatures shall be used when lower than normal humidity levels are required.
    - i. Supply air temperatures shall be allowed to reset upwards when the wet bulb temperature allows for humidity levels to be maintained at a maximum of 50%, or as required by ASHRAE 90.1-latest edition.
9. Ventilation Requirements:
- a. The design of HVAC systems shall incorporate the introduction of outdoor air meeting or exceeding the minimum quantity required by the latest edition of the either the International Mechanical Code or ASHRAE Standard 62, whichever is more stringent.
  - b. All air handling equipment and packaged air conditioning equipment shall be provided with an integral economizer for of free cooling as required by ASHRAE 90.1 requirement.
  - c. For ventilation of laboratories and animal areas, refer to the University's Laboratory Standards.
  - d. Mechanical Rooms shall be exhausted and kept to a negative pressure in respect to adjacent spaces.

- e. Outdoor Air Intakes: Outdoor air intakes for HVAC systems shall be located at a minimum distance from building exhaust outlets, flues from gas-fired equipment, plumbing vents, etc as per ASHRAE Standards and International Mechanical Code.
    - i. For the Oakland campus, all air intakes shall be a minimum of 15' above street level.
  - f. Demand Control Ventilation:
    - i. Methods of demand control ventilation shall be suggested by the Professional based on the scope of each project.
10. Sound Pressure Level Requirements:
- a. HVAC systems shall be designed to limit the noise transmitted to occupied spaces. Listed below are maximum allowable Noise Criterion (NC) levels for various spaces, unless otherwise directed.
    - i. General offices: 40
    - ii. Executive offices: 35
    - iii. Conference rooms and teleconference room: 35
    - iv. Corridors and public areas: 45
    - v. Computer rooms and research laboratories: 40
    - vi. Laboratories with fume hoods: 50
    - vii. Classrooms: 35
    - viii. Libraries and auditoriums: 35
    - ix. Gymnasiums: 50
  - b. The sound pressure levels around mechanical and electrical equipment (boilers, fans, pumps, pressure reducing valves, motors, turbines, elevators, transformers, etc.) in the equipment spaces shall not exceed 85 dBA on the A scale at any point three feet from the equipment with all the equipment in the room operating simultaneously.
    - i. Spaces unable to meet this criteria shall be reviewed by University and proper steps will be taken to ensure OSHA safety standards are followed.
  - c. The professional shall provide sound rating of each piece of equipment that may contribute noise to the space being air conditioned. Professional shall provide means to attenuate the equipment noise so that it does not result in NC levels above the required levels above.
  - d. The professional shall coordinate noise reduction methods with University Engineer.
    - i. The primary means of noise reduction on air handling systems shall be thru air handling unit sizing, fan sizing and air velocities thru ductwork and diffusers.
    - ii. Duct liner use shall be kept to a minimum. When used for noise control it shall be provided with a perforated internal liner. All edges shall be protected from the airstream. Liners shall have a mold resistant coating approved by ASTM or another recognized agency to prevent the growth of mold and mildew.
    - iii. Sound Attenuators shall be used if circumstances require. Special attention shall be given to velocities and air pressure drops thru attenuators.
    - iv. The Testing and Balancing Sub-contractor shall be specified to provide sound readings for critical areas and included in their TAB report. These spaces shall be discussed and identified during the design process.
    - v. All equipment installed exterior to a building shall be analyzed for their noise impact on building occupants, adjacent building occupants and, where applicable, pedestrian traffic.

11. Calculations: For each project, a copy of all HVAC/Energy, manual and computerized, calculations shall be submitted to the University when drawings are submitted for the DD drawing and specifications submittal; then again for the 95% construction drawings and specifications review and approval. Computerized calculations shall include zone data and building/zone summary sheets. The University reserves the right to request the detailed design data (inputs and outputs) for the entire project area.
  - a. Fan static and pump head calculations shall be included.
  - b. Friction loss for steam piping shall be provided.
  - c. Interior Spaces with greater than  $0.7\text{CFM/Sqft}$  shall be provided with documentation as to why (excluding labs and classrooms).
  
12. Heat Generation:
  - a. Oakland Campus: heat generation, year-round, shall be steam fed from the Bellefield Boiler Plant and/or Carrillo Street Steam Plant unless otherwise directed by the University (by the Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project). Steam is available at 175 psig. Each building shall utilize a 2-stage pressure reducing station, dropping to 50psi then to 14psi for use in the building. Refer to Section 232113 for additional information.
    - i. Steam coils shall be sized for 5 psi entering steam.
    - ii. Steam control valves shall be selected such that a minimum of 5 psi is available entering steam coils.
    - iii. Oakland Campus Building's hot water systems shall be designed to operate on a 40-degree delta-T from 180F to 140F.
      1. Perimeter heating hot water may use temperature resets, especially when on/off type control valves are used on the perimeter heat.
  - b. All Regional Campuses: heat generation for each facility shall be via gas fired condensing boilers. Boilers shall be sized to take advantage of condensing boiler efficiencies and for use as means of reheat. Reheat coils in air system shall be sized appropriately.
    - i. Hot water systems shall operate at a minimum of a 40-degree delta-T. Recommended 160F to 120F in heating mode and 120F to 80F for reheat mode.
    - ii. Steam for building specific processes shall be provided by dedicated steam generation units, especially where high pressure steam is required. Steam boilers for building use will be provided only under written direction from the University.
  - c. Electric heat may only be used under extenuating circumstances and must be approved by University Mechanical and Electrical Engineers.
  
13. Cooling Generation:
  - a. Oakland and Johnstown Campuses: Building air conditioning systems shall be designed for chilled water, which shall be obtained from the campus central chilled water systems unless specifically approved otherwise by the University (directed by the Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project).
    - i. Building chilled water systems shall be designed to operate at a 15-degree delta-T from 42F to 57F.
  - b. Greensburg, Johnstown, Titusville and Bradford Campuses: cooling generation for each facility shall be via electric driven equipment. Chillers shall use a minimum of a 15-degree delta-T (42F to 57F). Chiller efficiency shall be the main determining factor during chiller selection.
  - c. Use of direct-expansion cooling shall only be allowed where use of chilled water is unavailable, cost prohibitive or does not present a payback of 10 years or less. Approval from the University Mechanical Engineer assigned to project is required.

- i. Direct expansion may be used as a secondary means of cooling for chilled water systems requiring redundancy.
- 14. Autoclaves:
  - a. Refer to Pennsylvania Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code for clearance and autoclave manufacturing requirements. Provide clearances that meet both Code and manufacturer clearance requirements.
- 15. Personnel Training: At the completion of a project, training shall be provided for University maintenance personnel to educate the personnel on the operation and maintenance of the mechanical systems and equipment, including the automatic temperature control system, installed under that project. The Design Professional shall coordinate the amount of training which shall be provided by the HVAC, plumbing and fire protection contractors for each project with the University's Project Manager (Mechanical Engineers assigned to the project) to allow for incorporation in the final project specifications. Refer to individual Design Manual Sections for full training requirements.
- 16. Maintenance Staff Safety
  - a. Access to all filters, dampers, fans, motors, control valves etc. that require maintenance, at least yearly per equipment manufacturer O&M's, shall be provided with adequate means of access.
  - b. Unacceptable access conditions:
    - i. Crawling under or stepping on or over ductwork/piping.
    - ii. Access outboard of exterior railings or other fall protection means.
    - iii. Greater than four feet above ceilings, unless approved by University Project Manager and University Operations.
- 17. Acceptable Manufacturers: A minimum of 3 manufacturers shall be listed in the specifications for each major piece of mechanical equipment, unless otherwise directed by University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project. In some situations one or two manufacturers may be provided due to size restrictions, performance capability or to match existing units/systems. University preferred manufactures are listed in Section 238000 of the design manual.
- 18. Energy Conservation:
  - a. The University is interested in all energy conserving opportunities. All energy conservation measures shall be reviewed with and approved by the University in the Schematic Design phase of each project.
  - b. The Professional shall evaluate and provide energy recovery as per ASHRAE Standard 90.1 (latest edition) on any system that exhausts air.
  - c. All 3-phase motors shall be provided with a VFD.
  - d. All single-phase motors shall be ECM type and be provided with a speed controller. Refer to Section 230513 for additional motor requirements.
- 19. Energy Rebates:
  - a. The University seeks opportunities for energy rebates through our electric utility provider, Duquesne Light.
    - i. Renovation projects that provide higher efficiency equipment and systems shall be detailed enough such that the existing equipment power requirements are noted on the drawings. New power requirements shall be provided for on the drawings. This information shall be included for installation of VFD's, higher efficiency cooling systems, heat recovery systems, etc.
- 20. Mechanical equipment shall be located indoors unless the University Mechanical Engineer AND University Architect approve outdoor installations.

21. Restrooms shall remain under a negative pressure at all times.
22. The Professional shall indicate all service and maintenance areas for service to the AHUs, fan coil units, pumps, etc. on the drawings. This information should be coordinated with plumbing, fire protection, electrical, architectural, and structural drawings.
23. All vaults and tunnels shall be provided with a sump pit and sump pump to prevent water build-up. Discharge location shall be coordinated with University.
24. All vaults and tunnels shall be provided with a means of ventilation per OSHA requirements.
25. Drawings shall be ordered in drawings sets in same manner as Divisions in specifications; Fire Protection then Plumbing then Mechanical.
  - a. Demolition plans shall be indicated by having a "D" in the drawing number.
    - i. FPD for Division 21 demolition drawings.
    - ii. PD for Division 22 demolition drawings.
    - iii. MD or HD for Division 23 demolition drawings.
26. The professional shall provide Bid Documents in **PDF and DWG** file formats to the University.
27. A drawing showing air pressure relationships shall be provided on all projects incorporating fume hoods, or other exhaust hoods (new or existing).
28. Demonstration of System Operation (system checkout):
  - a. University Operations Department shall be engaged during the Test and Balance phase of each project. The design professional shall specify that the Contractor shall provide 7 days' notice to University Operations to allow for University attendance during Test and Balance of all systems.
  - b. University Operations must also be present during piping system flush-outs.
  - c. The Professional shall specify that the Contractor will provide air, water and noise reports on American Air Balance Council, National Environmental Balance Bureau, or SMACNA forms as per the balance procedures set forth by these associations.
  - d. The balancing sub-contractor must have experience in a minimum of 5 similar types of projects in the last 3 years and provide supporting documentation.
29. As-Built Drawings, Training and O&M Manuals
  - a. The Professional shall specify that, during the course of the work, the Contractor shall record all changes in the work on a set of the contract documents (in electronic format and on one set of prints) to include one (1) set of corrected specifications. The Professional shall revise the original documents and provide the "As-Built" information in computer file form (**PDF and DWG**) to the University. This applies to all Trades involved with the work.
  - b. The Professional shall specify that training sessions for each piece of mechanical equipment or each mechanical system shall be a minimum of eight hours each. Training shall not be held until the start-up and commissioning of the subject electrical equipment or system is complete.
  - c. The date of substantial completion of the construction contract takes effect on the date when both the required training and O&M manuals have been fully received.
  - d. All major mechanical equipment (including but not limited to chillers, boilers, air handling units, cooling towers, heat exchangers and VFDs) shall have a warranty

label placed in a conspicuous place. Label shall indicate start and end date of the warranty period. The start date shall be the date of final acceptance by the University.

30. Where applicable special considerations:

- a. All critical server rooms, main telecommunication rooms and freezer rooms shall be provided with 100% redundant cooling systems independent of the central chilled water system (in Oakland Campus).
  - i. Type of redundant system shall be determined by Consultant and University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
    1. Use of domestic water shall not be allowed.

END OF SECTION

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SECTION 230500 – BASIC MATERIALS AND METHODS

1. Mechanical Equipment Rooms
  - a. Rooms housing boilers shall be designed in accordance with the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry Standards.
  - b. Provide manufacturer recommended clearances on all pieces of equipment. There will be no exceptions to this requirement.
  - c. Provide a floor drain adjacent to each boiler, chiller, pump, heat exchanger, pressure reducing station, backflow preventer and any other piece of equipment with a drain, blow-off relief etc.
    - i. Where equipment are adjacent, sharing of a floor drain is permissible.
  - d. Boilers and chillers shall not be installed in the same mechanical room.
  - e. All venting of systems shall vent to exterior.
  - f. Means of removal and replacing of all equipment shall be considered and provided for during design of mechanical rooms or any room housing mechanical equipment.
  - g. Provide hoists/infrastructure to allow for removal/disconnection/replacement of equipment.
  - h. All mechanical rooms housing hydronic equipment and or piping, AND are above occupied space shall have epoxy or waterproofed floors where waterproofing extends up wall for a minimum of 2”.
2. Refrigerant Control
  - a. Any room that contains equipment or piping for refrigerant systems shall conform to the requirements of ASHRAE 15 and ASHRAE 34.
3. Water Treatment
  - a. For each project where draining and/or filling of water systems is required, the engineer and contractor shall coordinate scope of water treatment with the University's water treatment vendor. Confirm vendor contact info with University mechanical engineer assigned to the project.
    - i. Chemical Treatment Contractor for the Oakland Campus:
      1. Kurita – Craig Malagise 412-354-8551
  - b. All water side systems shall be provided with chemical treatment prior to startup. Chemical treatment shall be based on age of system, system medium (chilled/hot/steam) and piping materials. Blowdown systems, automatic/manual treatment stations shall be provided based on recommendations of University water treatment vendor.
  - c. For new individual building stand-alone systems, 1 years' worth of chemicals shall be specified and provided under the construction contract. A one-year maintenance contract shall be part of the chemical treatment scope of work. Coordinate with University chemical treatment company to identify chemicals required.
  - d. Use of glycol shall be dealt with on a project-by-project basis. University mechanical engineer assigned to the project shall approve use of glycol.
  - e. Provide only chemical products that are acceptable under National, State and local pollution control regulations.
  - f. Final connection shall not be made to any campus loop systems until the Chemical Contractor has filed with the Owner's representatives, a report stating that the systems are clean.
4. Pipe Leak Testing
  - a. Leak testing of all hydronic systems shall be hydrostatically performed at a test pressure equal to 1-1/2 times the system working pressure or 150 psig, whichever is greater. The 300 psig systems shall be tested for 350 psig working pressure.

- b. Leak testing of natural gas piping systems inside buildings shall be done pneumatically at a maximum test pressure of 1-1/2 times the system working pressure for systems having a working pressure greater than 2 psig, or at a test pressure of 3 psig for systems having a working pressure less than 2 psig.
  - c. New gas service: Testing shall meet the gas provider's requirements.
  - d. Leak testing of refrigerant piping shall be done using nitrogen.
5. Equipment Pads
- a. All floor and grade mounted equipment shall require a 4" thick 3000-psi concrete pad extending a minimum of 3" from the equipment on all sides. If parts and pieces for the system impact pad at any location, the pad shall be designed to accommodate manufacturer requirements.
6. Roof Curbs
- a. All roof mounted equipment shall be installed on roof curbs or spring isolated roof curbs.
  - b. Curbs shall meet equipment manufacturer and University requirements.
  - c. Minimum curb height shall be 16". Coordinate exact curb height with architect, roofing subcontractor, roof warranty holder and/or general contractor.
  - d. Equipment rails shall be allowed for some condensing units and large fans, but only as approved by University mechanical engineer assigned to project.
7. Duct and Pipe Curbs
- a. All ductwork, piping and conduits that penetrate the roof shall do so through an appropriate curb. Similar to RPS pipe portal flashing systems and sized appropriately, while matching roof curb requirements.
8. Fans
- a. All fans shall be direct drive type. Exceptions shall be allowed by University mechanical engineer assigned to project, when cost, use or other reasons are valid.
  - b. Where approved, out of air-stream belt driven in-line fans shall be provided with an access door in the fan housing to access the fan pulley to facilitate the maintenance of belts on fans with motors above 5 HP.
9. Vibration Isolation
- a. Provide isolation for all equipment with motors, compressors, etc.
  - b. Provide vibration isolation pads for all pumps.
  - c. All equipment located directly above an occupied floor shall be isolated such that vibration from the equipment is not transmitted to the structure.
10. Electrical
- a. Refer to Division 26 design guidelines for requirements.
  - b. Exposed power or control wiring is not acceptable on any University of Pittsburgh Campus.
11. Equipment installed above ceilings
- a. All air moving equipment with a cooling coil above the ceiling shall be provided with a secondary drain pan and moisture sensor in case of failure from the primary drain pan as per the International Mechanical Code. A moisture sensor shall shut down the fan in the air moving equipment if moisture is sensed in the secondary drain pan and produce an alarm in the BAS system. The Professional shall explore availability of secondary drain pans from the air-moving equipment supplier OR alternate means of complying with code.
  - b. Access shall be provided to allow servicing, removal and replacement of all equipment.
  - c. There shall be no ductwork, piping, wiring or other equipment installed below equipment located above ceilings.
12. Mechanical Sleeve Seals
- a. Shall be provided by one of the following manufacturers:



- i. Metraflex
- ii. Kenco – Thunderline
- iii. Other manufactures may be used but shall require approval of University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project, prior to bidding.

13. Standard Sleeves

- a. PVC may be used on non-rated walls and non-rated floor assemblies.
- b. Provide UL details on drawings when project requires sleeves through rated walls and assemblies.

14. Escutcheons

- a. All escutcheons in occupied or public spaces shall be chrome plated.

15. Dielectric Fittings

- a. Provide Dielectric fittings at all locations joining dissimilar materials. Fittings shall be rated for the system installed on as well as for use on the dissimilar metals.

16. Roofs

- a. Any existing roof that is disturbed for the installation of roof curbs, pipes, roof drains, steel supports etc. shall be recertified. Roof work shall be done by a bonded roofing contractor. Roofer shall recertify existing roof warranties.

17. Demolition

- a. All systems that are to be demolished shall be removed completely. This includes piping, ductwork, equipment, controls, wiring etc.
- b. Where partial renovations are undertaken the systems will be completely removed from scope of work area and capped at demarcation of scope area.
  - i. Any abandonment in place of mechanical systems shall require written direction from University Mechanical Engineer assigned to project.
  - ii. Any allowed items abandoned shall be labeled as "Abandoned" in yellow paint.

18. Pennsylvania Steel Products Procurement Act

- a. Projects funded in full or part by State of Pennsylvania funds (DGS) shall comply with the PA Steel Act.

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SECTION 230513 – MOTORS

1. General
  - a. All electric motors under 1/2HP shall be designed for 115 volt, single phase, 60 hertz.
  - b. All electric motors 1/2 HP and larger shall be designed for 460 volt, three phase, 60 hertz. If 460v power is not available then these motors shall be 208v
  - c. All motors shall be built in accordance to the latest standard rules of the National Electrical Manufacturer's Association (NEMA) and shall be built with a 1.15 service factor, be UL listed, and be premium efficiency as designated by NEMA.
  - d. All motors installed on indoor equipment shall be open drip-proof type
  - e. All motors above 5 HP shall be installed with motor shaft grounding.
    - i. Acceptable Manufacturers:
      1. Aegis
      2. Helwig BPK
      3. Approved equal, approved by University prior to bid.
  - f. All single phase direct drive motors shall be electrically commutated motors (ECM). Unless it is specifically discussed with the University mechanical engineer assigned to the project.
    - i. When available, speed controllers shall be provided with single phase motors, eg, fans.
2. Motor Starters:
  - a. Three phase motor starters shall be a circuit breaker combination type (magnetic-only motor circuit protectors on motors 10 HP and above) with
    - i. Non-fused disconnect switch.
    - ii. Hand-Off-Auto (HOA) switch.
    - iii. Red "RUN" pilot light on cover.
    - iv. Integral 120 volt control transformer with primary fusing and a secondary fuse in the "hot" leg.
    - v. One normally open auxiliary contact.
  - b. Three phase motors 40 HP and greater shall be provided with combination reduced voltage magnetic motor starter/s.
  - c. All motor starters located indoors shall be housed in NEMA 1 cabinet/s. All motor starters located outdoors shall be housed in NEMA 3R cabinet(s), unless otherwise required.
3. Fan and pump motors shall be selected such that the calculated Brake Horsepower (BHP) is not greater than 85% of the selected motor Horsepower (HP).

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SECTION 230523 – GENERAL DUTY VALVES

1. This section covers piping accessories for all Mechanical/Plumbing/Fire Protection systems, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Steam and Steam Condensate systems
  - b. Hot water systems
  - c. Chilled water systems
  - d. Condenser water systems
  - e. Process cooling water systems
  - f. System drains
  - g. Make-up water systems
  - h. Refrigerant systems (for HVAC related systems)
  - i. Fuel Oil systems
  - j. Underground piping
  - k. Air Handling Systems
  - l. Exhaust systems
  - m. Make-up air systems
  - n. Energy recovery systems
2. General:
  - a. Refer to Design Manual Section 230500 – Piping Accessories for additional information.
  - b. Provide extended valve stems to allow for full operator movement without damaging surrounding insulation.
3. **Gate Valves**
  - a. **Shall not be permitted unless specifically stated in standards below.**
4. Shutoff Valves
  - a. Provide on inlet and outlet for every piece of equipment and coil served by heating hot water, chilled water, steam, condenser water, process water etc.
    - i. Shall be either Ball or Butterfly valves, unless noted otherwise herein.
    - ii. Valves shall allow for complete isolation of equipment served including associated unions, strainers, air vents, vacuum breakers, p/t ports, control and balance valves etc.
    - iii. The shutoff valve on the inlet side of the heating/cooling device shall be located upstream of all unions, strainers, vacuum breakers, air vents, pressure/temperature test ports, etc.
    - iv. The shutoff valve on the outlet side of the heating/cooling device shall be located downstream of all unions, pressure/temperature test ports, control valves, etc.
  - b. Provide on inlet and outlet of all control valves and pressure reducing valves.
  - c. Shall have a minimum Class IV shutoff rating.
  - d. Chilled water mains shall have shutoff valves on the supply and return at the building entrance.
    - i. Valves shall be rated for 300psi.
    - ii. Shall be either Gate valves or Triple Offset Butterfly valves
    - iii. Zero Leakage - in accordance with the following standards: API 598 (Soft Seat), API 6D (Soft Seat), FCI 70-2 Class VI.

- e. Steam Mains and Building Main Shutoff Valves shall be either Gate valves or Triple Offset Butterfly valves of appropriate ratings. Gate valves may be used only in locations where they will fit and allow for full operation of valve.
    - i. Butterfly valves shall be zero Leakage - in accordance with the following standards: API 598 (Soft Seat), API 6D (Soft Seat), FCI 70-2 Class VI.
  - f. Steam Shutoff and Isolation valves in buildings shall be ball or butterfly valves. **Gates valves shall be used only in locations recommended by professional and agreed upon with project assigned Pitt Mechanical Engineer.**
5. Throttling Valves:
    - a. Shall be Globe or vport Ball valve.
    - b. Other valve types for this service must be approved by the University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
  6. Pump Discharge Check Valves:
    - a. For 2-inches NPS and smaller, swing check valves.
    - b. For 2 1/2-inches NPS and larger, non-slam wafer-style plate check valves.
  7. Butterfly Valves
    - a. All butterfly valves shall be lug type, unless noted otherwise herein.
  8. Ball Valves
    - a. All ball valves shall be quarter turn, full port type unless for throttling service.
  9. Control valves
    - a. Shall be provided with stainless steel discs and trim.
    - b. Control valve shall be able to control the system down to 10% of design flow.
    - c. Size valves to provide as low a pressure drop across the valve as possible while meeting the other sizing requirements.
    - d. For additional information refer to the Controls Section in the Design Manual as well as Section 230500 Piping Accessories.
  10. Pressure Reducing Valves (PRV) and PRV Stations
    - a. Shall be selected based on an accuracy of regulation of 1 psi.
    - b. A PRV Station shall be provided at any situation where more than a 15psi drop in pressure is required.
  11. Safety Relief Valves
    - a. Boilers
      - i. Shall be selected for 3% above the maximum allowable working pressure of the boiler.
    - b. Other Pressure Vessels
      - i. Shall be selected based on ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code Section VIII.
  12. All high pressure (above 75psi) steam valves 4" and above, shall have a warm-up line and valve of the size noted below.
    - a. 4" and 6" steam valves shall have a 1" warm-up valve and piping.
    - b. 8" steam valves shall have a 1-1/2" warm-up valve and piping.
    - c. 10" and above steam valves shall have a 2" warm-up valve and piping.
  13. Installation
    - a. All valves shall be installed with stems or spindles above the horizontal plane.
    - b. All 4" and above shutoff valves installed 6' and greater above finished floor shall have a chain-wheel operator.

14. Acceptable Manufacturers (unless noted otherwise on the drawings and specifications):
- a. All gate, globe, check, ball and drain: Adams, Crane, Stockham, Jamesbury, W-K-M, Walworth, Jenkins, Milwaukee, Conbraco, Lunkenheimer, Vogt or approved equal.
    - i. *Gate valves, where allowed, shall have Vogt as basis of design in socket welded applications.*
  - b. Butterfly valves for liquid flow: Center Line, Adams, Milwaukee, Jamesbury, Conbraco, Crane, Stockham, Lunkenheimer, or approved equal.
  - c. Triple Offset Butterfly Valves: Adams, Vanessa, Crane.
  - d. Pressure reducing, safety relief valves and safety valves: Watts Regulator Co., Leslie Controls Inc., Lonergran Valve Division, Kunkle Valve Division, Spirax-Sarco, and Spence Engineering Co. The Professional should work Leslie as the basis of design.
  - e. Where Victaulic piping is allowed, Victaulic valves shall also be allowed; provided they meet the applicable requirements set forth in the section.
  - f. Gaskets: Flexitallic preferred on steam systems.

15. Product Specifications:

Legend:

- CI – Cast Iron
- CS - Carbon Steel
- CCS – Cast Carbon Steel
- Dutile - Iron
- SS – Stainless Steel
- ISRS - Inside Screw Rising Stem
- OS&Y - Outside Screw and Yoke
- CMP – Composite
- RPTFE – Reinforced PTFE

a. Service: High Pressure Steam (Above 100 PSIG):

(1) Valve Type: Gate

Size	Class	Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	300	CCS	CCS	SS	Flange or Weld	OS&Y

(2) Valve Type: Butterfly

Size	Class	Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	300	DI	EPDM	SS	Lugged	Gear
2" & DN:	800	CS	SS	SS	Screw or weld	Lever

(3) Valve Type: Ball (Three Piece, 4 bolt clamp)

Size	Class	Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2" & DN:	400 WOG	CS or SS	High Temp RPTFE	SS	Screw or Weld	Lever

Size	(4) Class	Valve Type: <u>Globe</u>		Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	300	CCS	Bronze	SS	Flange or Weld OS&Y
2" & DN:	800	CS	SS	SS	Screw or Weld ISRS or OS&Y

Size	(6) Class	Valve Type: <u>Check – Spring Assisted Non-Slam</u>			Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat Disk			
2-1/2" & UP:	750 CWP	SS	SS	SS	Flanged	None
2" & DN:	750 CWP	SS	SS	SS	Screwed	None

b. Service: Medium Pressure Steam (15-100 PSIG):

Size	(1) Class	Valve Type: <u>Gate</u>		Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	300	CCS	SS	SS	Flange or Weld OS&Y

Size	(2) Class	Valve Type: <u>Butterfly</u>		Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	300	CS	SS	SS	Lugged Gear

Size	(3) Class	Valve Type: <u>Ball (Three Piece, 4 bolt clamp)</u>			Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat Disk			
2" & DN:	400 psi	CS or SS	High Temp RPTFE	SS	Screwed	Lever

Size	(4) Class	Valve Type: <u>Globe</u>		Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	150	CCS	SS	SS	Flange or Weld OS&Y
2" & DN:	800	CS	SS	SS	Screw or Weld ISRS or OS&Y

Size	(5) Class	Valve Type: <u>Check</u>		Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	150	CS or SS	SS	SS	Flange or Weld Non-Slam Spring Assisted
2" & DN:	200 CWP	SS	SS	SS	Screw or Weld None

c. Service: Steam Condensate Return (High Pressure):

Size	(1) Class	Valve Type: <u>Gate*</u>		Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	300	CCS	SS	CI	Flange or Weld OS&Y
2" & DN:	800	CS	SS	SS	Screw or Weld ISRS or OS&Y

*\*On high pressure steam trap assemblies, socket welded isolation valves shall be used on either side of the trap assemblies. Non-trap assemblies shall be as stated above or bolted bonnet for all sizes.*

Size	(2) Class	Valve Type: <u>Butterfly</u>		Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat    Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	300	CS	SS    SS	Lugged	Gear

Size	(3) Class	Valve Type: <u>Ball (Three Piece, 4 bolt clamp)</u>			Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat    Disk	Disk		
2" & DN:	400 psi	CS or SS	High Temp RPTFE	SS	Screw or Weld	Lever

Size	(4) Class	Valve Type: <u>Check</u>		Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat    Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	300	CS or SS	SS    SS	Flange or Weld	Non-Slam Spring Assisted
2" & DN:	750 CWP	SS	SS    SS	Screw or Weld	None

d. Service: Central Chilled Water (High Pressure):

Size	(1) Class	Valve Type: <u>Gate (Building Entrance Only)</u>		Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat    Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	300	DI or CI	Bronze CI	Flanged	OS&Y
2" & DN:	300	Bronze	SS    Bronze	Screwed	ISRS

Size	(2) Class	Valve Type: <u>Butterfly</u>		Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat    Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	300	CS or DI	SS    SS	Lugged	Gear

Size	(3) Class	Valve Type: <u>Globe</u>		Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat    Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	250	CCS	CS    CS	Flanged	OS & Y
2" & DN:	300	Bronze	SS    SS	Screwed	ISRS

Size	(4) Class	Valve Type: <u>Check</u>		Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat    Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	250	CI or CS	Bronze Bronze	Flanged	Non-Slam Spring Assisted
2" & DN:	300	Bronze	SS    Bronze	Screwed	Swing

e. Service: Low Pressure Steam (15 PSIG & Less), Low Pressure Steam  
Condensate Return, Pumped Condensate:

Size	(1) Class	Valve Type: <u>Ball</u>		Body Connect	Operator
		Body Material	Trim Seat    Disk		
2" & DN:	150 S.W.P.	CS	RPTFE SS	Screwed	Lever

Size	(2) Class	Valve Type: <u>Butterfly</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	300	CS	SS	SS	Lugged	Gear

Size	(3) Class	Valve Type: <u>Globe</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	125	CCS	SS	SS	Flanged	OS & Y
2" & DN:	150	CS	SS	SS	Screwed	ISRS

Size	(4) Class	Valve Type: <u>Check</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	125	CCS	SS	SS	Flanged	None
2" & DN:	150	CS	SS	SS	Screwed	Swing

f. Service: Chilled Water, Hot Water and Condenser Water (Standard Pressure):

Size	(1) Class	Valve Type: <u>Ball</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2" & DN:	600 CWP	Bronze	RPTFE	SS	Screwed	Lever

Size	(2) Class	Valve Type: <u>Butterfly</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	300	CS	TFE	SS	Lugged	Gear

Size	(3) Class	Valve Type: <u>Globe</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	150	CCS	CCS	CCS	Flanged	OS & Y
2" & DN:	200 CWP	Bronze	SS	SS	Screwed	ISRS

Size	(4) Class	Valve Type: <u>Check</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2-1/2" & UP:	150	CI or CS	Bronze	CI	Flanged	Non-Slam Spring Assisted
2" & DN:	200 CWP	Bronze	Bronze	Bronze	Screwed	Swing

g. Service: Equipment Drains, Condensate, Heat Recovery (Standard Pressure):

Size	(1) Class	Valve Type: <u>Ball</u> Body Material	Trim		Body Connect	Operator
			Seat	Disk		
2" & DN:	600 CWP	Bronze	RPTFE	SS	Screwed	Lever

Size	(2) Class	Valve Type: <u>Butterfly</u> Body	Trim		Body	Operator
			Seat	Disk		



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		Material	Seat	Disk	Connect	
2-1/2" & UP:	150	CCS	CS	CS	Lugged	Lever

END OF SECTION

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SECTION 230553 – IDENTIFICATION FOR MECHANICAL SYSTEMS

1. This section covers identification for all Mechanical/Plumbing/Fire Protection systems, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Steam and Steam Condensate systems
  - b. Hot water systems
  - c. Chilled water systems
  - d. Condenser water systems
  - e. Process cooling water systems
  - f. Domestic Hot and Cold Water systems
  - g. System drains
  - h. Make-up water systems
  - i. Refrigerant systems (for HVAC related systems)
  - j. Fuel Oil systems
  - k. Underground piping
  - l. Air Handling Systems
  - m. Exhaust systems
  - n. Make-up air systems
  - o. Energy recovery systems
  - p. Sprinkler systems
  - q. Compressed air
  - r. Lab air and gases, med air and gases, vacuum
  
2. Identifying Devices and Labels:
  - a. Equipment nameplates: All equipment shall have name plates of metal permanently fastened to the equipment with data engraved or stamped.
    - i. The name plate shall have manufacturer's name, product name, model number, serial number, capacity, operating and power characteristics, labels of tested compliances and essential data.
    - ii. Location shall be accessible and visible.
    - iii. In case of pumps, the name plates shall include flow rate in gpm and pump head in ft.
    - iv. In case of air-handling equipment, the name plates shall include air flow rate in cfm and external and total static pressure in inches w.g.
  - b. Snap-on Plastic Pipe Markers: manufacturer's standard preprinted, color coded, semi-rigid, snap-on type. Include color coding according to University Standards.
  - c. Pipes with OD Including Insulation, Less Than 6 Inches: Full-band pipe markers extending 360 degree around pipe at each location.
  - d. Pipes with OD Including Insulation, 6 Inches and Larger: Either full band or strip type pipe markers.
  - e. Pipeline Lettering: Manufacturer's standard preprinted captions as selected by the Professional.
  - f. Pipeline Arrows: Either integral with the piping system service lettering or as separate unit on each pipe marker to indicate direction of flow.
  - g. Duct Markers: Manufacturer's standard laminated plastic in the following color codes:
    - i. Cold supply air – Safety Green
    - ii. Hot supply air – Safety Yellow
    - iii. Exhaust, outside air, return and mixed air – Safety Blue
    - iv. Terminology – include direction of airflow, duct service such as supply, return or exhaust air, duct origin (typically AHU # or EF #).
  - h. Valve Tags: Stamped or engraved with 1/4 -inch letters for piping system abbreviation and 1/2-inch sequenced numbers. Include 5/32-inch hole for fastener.

- i. Material: 0.0375 inch thick stainless steel.
  - ii. Shape: Round.
  - iii. Size: 1 ½ inch diameter unless otherwise indicated.
- i. Valve Tag Fasteners: Stainless steel, beaded chain or S-hooks.
- j. Access Panel Markers: 1/16-inch thick, engraved plastic laminate markers with abbreviated terms and numbers corresponding to concealed valve/VAV box etc.
- k. Engraved Plastic Laminate Signs: ASTM D 709, Type I, cellulose, paper-base, phenolic resin laminate engraving stock; Grade ES-2, black surface, black phenolic core, with white melamine sub-core, unless otherwise indicated. Fabricate in sizes required for message. Provide holes for mechanical fastening.
  - i. Engraving: Engraver's standard letter style, of sizes and with terms to match equipment identification.
  - ii. Thickness: 1/16-inch, for units up to 20 sq. in. or 8 inches in length and 1/8-inch for larger units.
  - iii. Fasteners: Self-tapping, stainless steel screws or contact type permanent adhesive.
- l. Plastic Equipment Markers: Manufacturer's standard laminated plastic 2 ½" x 4" for control devices and valves and 4 ½" x 6" for equipment. Use following color codes:
  - i. Cooling equipment and components: Green
  - ii. Heating equipment and components: Yellow
  - iii. Energy reclaim equipment and components: Brown
  - iv. Equipment and components that do not meet above criteria: Blue
  - v. Hazardous equipment: Use colors and designs recommended by ASME A13.1.
  - vi. Terminology: Match schedules as closely as possible. Include the following:
    - 1. Name and plan number
    - 2. Equipment service
    - 3. Design capacity
    - 4. Other design parameters such as pressure drops, entering and leaving conditions, and speed.
- m. Plasticized Tags: Preprinted or partially preprinted, accident prevention tags, of plasticized card stock with mat finish suitable for writing.
  - i. Size: 3 ¼" x 5 5/8"
  - ii. Fasteners: Brass grommets and wires.
  - iii. Nomenclature: large size primary caption such as DANGER, CAUTION, or DO NOT OPERATE.
- n. Lettering and Graphics: Coordinate names, abbreviations and other designations used in mechanical system identification with University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project and with University Operations.

### 3. Installation

#### a. Piping Systems:

- i. Install pipe markers on each system.
- ii. Locate pipe markers and color bands where piping is exposed, machine rooms, accessible maintenance spaces such as shafts, tunnels and plenums, and exterior non-concealed locations according to the following:
  - 1. Near each valve and control device.
  - 2. Near each branch connection.
  - 3. Near penetrations through walls, floors, ceilings, or non-accessible enclosures.
  - 4. At access doors, manholes and similar access points that permit viewing of concealed piping.
  - 5. Near major pieces of equipment and other points of origination and termination.
  - 6. Spaced at a maximum of 50 feet intervals along each run. Reduce intervals to 25 feet in areas of congested piping and equipment. And at least one per room.
  - 7. Provide identification labels at ceiling tiles to locate valves above removable

- 8. Provide identification labels at access panels to locate concealed valves.
  - b. Valve Tags:
    - i. Install valve tags on valves and control devices in the piping system. List tagged valves in valve schedule.
    - ii. Valve Schedules: For each piping system, on **8-1/2-by-11-inch (A4)** bond paper. Tabulate valve number, piping system, system abbreviation (as shown on valve tag), location of valve (room or space), normal-operating position (open, closed, or modulating), and variations for identification. Mark valves for emergency shutoff and similar special uses.
      - 1. The valve tag schedules shall be framed with glass face and metal frame and mounted in accessible location in each major equipment room. Multiple framed schedules shall be provided on projects with multiple mechanical equipment rooms.
      - 2. A copy of the Valve-tag schedule shall be included in operation and maintenance data.
      - 3. Number shall take existing valve schedules into consideration to prevent multiple instances of same numbers.
  - c. Equipment Identification:
    - i. Install and permanently fasten equipment nameplates on each piece of equipment that does not have a name plate.
  - d. Duct Systems
    - i. Identify air supply, return, exhaust, intake, and relief ducts with duct markers or provide stenciled signs and arrows showing service and direction of air flow.
      - 1. Locate signs near points where duct enters concealed spaces, at maximum intervals of 50 feet and at least once within each room.
    - ii. Damper Markers: Mark locations of balancing damper handles with green paint on duct wrap in concealed locations.
4. Above Ceiling Access Identification
- a. For equipment concealed above ceilings, use clear labels with 3/4" text using the alphanumeric tag of the equipment, located on the ceiling grid or access panel at the location necessary to access the equipment.
  - b. System accessories:
    - i. Markers:
      - 1. Use colored markers with pressure sensitive adhesive on one side.
      - 2. Make colored markers of paper or plastic, 6 to 9 mm (1/4 to 3/8 inch) in diameter.
      - 3. Use markers of the same diameter throughout building.
      - 4. Locate markers on ceiling grid near device
    - ii. Color Code
      - 1. Safety Red: Sprinkler System: Valves and Controls
      - 2. Safety Green: Domestic Water: Valves and Controls
      - 3. Safety Blue: Chilled Water
      - 4. Safety Orange: Heating Water
      - 5. Safety Red: Ductwork: Fire Dampers and Smoke Detectors
      - 6. Safety Green: Ductwork: Dampers and Controls
      - 7. Gray: Gas, Laboratory, Medical, Air and Vacuum
5. Warning Signs and Labels
- a. On all equipment, pipes and ducts that can be harmful if touched, disturbed or otherwise.
  - b. Label as appropriate, "Danger", "Do Not Touch", "Caution" etc...
  - c. Labels shall be Yellow with Red lettering. Follow marker requirements for pipe/duct/equipment labels for material and installation.
6. Gas and Vacuum systems shall be provided with identification symbols and color banding as follows:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Colors (Background/Text)</u>
Medical air	Med Air	Yellow/Black
Carbon Dioxide	CO <sub>2</sub>	Gray/Black
Helium	He	Brown/White
Nitrogen	N <sub>2</sub>	Black/White
Nitrous Oxide	N <sub>2</sub> O	Blue/White
Oxygen	O <sub>2</sub>	Green/White or White/Green
Oxygen/Carbon Dioxide mixture	O <sub>2</sub> /CO <sub>2</sub> n% (n is % of CO <sub>2</sub> )	Green/White
Medical-surgical Vacuum	Med Vac	White/Black
Waste anesthetic gas disposal	WAGD	Violet/White
Other mixtures	Gas A% / Gas B% Major gas for background/ Minor gas for text	Major gas for background/ minor gas for text
Non-medical air (level 3 Gas-powered device)	Non-Med Air	Yellow & White diagonal stripe/Black
Non-medical and level 3 vacuum	Non-Med Vac	White & Black diagonal stripe/Black boxed
Laboratory air	Lab Air	Yellow & White checker-board/Black
Laboratory vacuum	Lab Vac	White & Black checker-board/Black
Instrument air	Comp Air	Red/White

7. All chilled water, hot water, condenser water, domestic cold and hot water, and coil condensate drain piping shall be provided with identification symbols and color code banding as follows:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Color</u>
Hot Water Heating Supply	HWS (Zone No.)	Safety Orange
Hot Water Heating Return	HWR (Zone No.)	Safety Orange
Hot Water Heating Expansion Line	Exp. (Zone No.)	Safety Orange
Hot Water Heating Drain	Drain	Safety Orange
Chilled Water Supply	CHWS (System No.)	Safety Blue
Chilled Water Return	CHWR (System No.)	Light Blue (Windfall)
Coil Condensate Drain	Drain	Black
Condenser Water Supply	Cond. Sup.	Safety Green
Condenser Water Return	Cond. Ret.	Light Green
Domestic Cold	Dom Cold	Safety Green

Domestic Hot Water	DHW	Safety Green
Domestic Hot Water Return	DHWR	Light Green

8. All steam, steam condensate return and pumped condensate piping shall be provided with the identification symbols and color codes as follows:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Color</u>
Steam, High Pressure	HP Steam - 175	Safety Yellow
Steam, High Pressure	HP Steam - 125	Safety Yellow
Steam, High Pressure	HP Steam - 100	Safety Yellow
Steam, Medium Pressure	MP Steam - 65	Safety Yellow
Steam, Medium Pressure	MP Steam - 25	Safety Yellow
Steam, Low Pressure	LP Steam - 15	Safety Yellow

Condensate Return From:		
High Pressure Steam	HP Cond. - 175	Safety Yellow
High Pressure Steam	HP Cond. - 125	Safety Yellow
High Pressure Steam	HP Cond. - 100	Safety Yellow
Medium Steam Pressure	MP Cond. - 65	Safety Yellow
Medium Steam Pressure	MP Cond. - 25	Safety Yellow
Low Steam Pressure	LP Cond. - 15	Safety Yellow
Condensate Pump Discharge	Cond. P.D.	Safety Yellow

9. Refrigerant piping shall be provided with the identification symbols and color codes as follows:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Color</u>
Refrigerant Liquid	RL-(Refrigerant Type)	Purple
Refrigerant Suction	RS-(Refrigerant Type)	Purple
Refrigerant Hot Gas	RHG-(Refrigerant Type)	Purple

#### 10. Painting

- a. All Paint shall be PPG.
  - i. Safety colors are PPG – 7 Line Industrial Enamel Gloss Interior/Exterior Oil.
  - ii. Other colors are PPG – Pitt Tec Industrial Enamel Stain and Gloss Acrylic Safety.
- b. Pipe/Equipment Paint Schedule and Color Codes:
  1. Mechanical room equipment shall be painted in accordance with the following color code, however, the Contractor shall obtain approval from the Owner's representative prior to proceeding with any of the following colors:
    - a. Piping Systems:
      - i. Chilled water supply piping (insulated) – Safety Blue.
      - ii. Chilled water return piping (insulated) - Light Blue (Windfall).
      - iii. Condenser water supply piping - Safety Green.
      - iv. Condenser water return piping - Light Green.
      - v. Domestic cold water piping (insulated and uninsulated) – Safety Green.
      - vi. Domestic hot water piping (insulated) – Safety Green.
      - vii. Storm piping (insulated and uninsulated) – Black.
      - viii. Sanitary waste piping – Dark Brown.
      - ix. Sanitary vent piping – Light Brown.
      - x. Fire piping and associated drain lines – Safety Red.
      - xi. Pump base drain lines – color to match applicable system.
      - xii. Strainer drain lines - color to match applicable system.
      - xiii. Condensate drain lines - Black.

- xiv. Miscellaneous drain lines - color to match applicable system.
- xv. Water chilling unit rupture disc piping (inside building) - Purple.
- xvi. Miscellaneous pressure relief lines (inside building) - Purple.
- xvii. Natural gas piping – (inside building) – Safety Yellow.
- xviii. Fuel Oil gas piping – (inside building) – Safety Yellow.
- xix. Steam and Condensate piping (insulated) – Safety Yellow
- xx. Heating hot water supply piping (insulated) – Safety Orange.
- xxi. Heating hot water return piping (insulated) – Safety Orange.
- xxii. Mechanical make-up water piping – Safety Blue.

## 2. Equipment

- a. Primary chilled water pumps - Match piping.
- b. Secondary chilled water pumps - Match piping.
- c. Condenser water pumps - Match piping.
- d. Domestic water pumps - factory finish.
- e. Fire pump and jockey pump – Safety Red to match piping.
- f. Insulated vessels such as chilled water compression tank and pot feeder - Match piping.
- g. Concrete equipment pads - Gray.
- h. Indoor Air handling units - factory finish.
- i. Outdoor Air handling units – submit standard and factory optional colors to architect for review and selection.
- j. Fans - factory finish.
- k. Double wall ductwork - standard galvanized finish.
- l. Exposed insulated ductwork – color shall be specified by architect, obtain architect approval prior to painting.
- m. Water chilling units - painted factory finish
- n. Water heaters - factory finish.
- o. Sump pit covers - factory finish, free of finish defects and corrosion.
- p. Heating hot water pumps – Safety Orange to match piping.
- q. Equipment not listed – match system or coordinate with University Project Manager

## 3. Additional Requirements:

- a. Areas of pumps, tanks, vessels, pot feeders and any other items insulated with Armstrong Armaflex, or approved equal, insulation shall be painted with Armstrong Armaflex paint, PPG paint or approved equal. The Armstrong factory color is typically white. The Contractor shall add a compatible pigment to obtain the color that matches the appropriate piping system. The Contractor shall receive from the Manufacturer written approval of the pigment to be used before proceeding to work.
- b. Areas of water chilling units insulated with Armstrong Armaflex insulation, or approved equal shall be painted with Armstrong Armaflex or PPG paint. The color shall match the factory painted finish of the uninsulated areas. Refer to Paragraph a) hereinbefore for pigment requirements.
- c. All items shall be painted with a minimum of two coats of the specified paint.

## 4. The Paint Schedule and Color Code specifications apply to the following areas: central plant, mechanical rooms, air handling unit rooms, stairwells, pump rooms, storage and janitor's closets, penthouses,

generator rooms, garages, exposed corridors, exposed office space, computer rooms, truck docks, plus any other areas where piping and equipment are visible.

11. Any existing or new identification materials and devices that have become visually blocked by other items in the project scope of work shall be relocated as part of the project.



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SECTION 230700 - MECHANICAL INSULATION

1. This section covers insulation on all Mechanical systems, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Steam and Steam Condensate systems
  - b. Hot water systems
  - c. Chilled water systems
  - d. Condenser water systems
  - e. Process cooling water systems
  - f. Condensate drain systems
  - g. Make-up water systems
  - h. Refrigerant systems (for HVAC related systems)
  - i. HVAC ductwork
  - j. Mechanical equipment
  - k. Vents, breeching and other accessories
  
2. Codes and Standards: The Design Professional shall comply with the requirements of all applicable codes and standards for each specific design project. The latest editions at the time of the Schematic Design submittal shall govern edition of standards to be used.
  - a. International Building Code (latest edition)
  - b. International Mechanical Code (latest edition)
  - c. International Plumbing Code (latest edition)
  - d. International Fire Code (latest edition)
  - e. International Fuel Gas Code (latest edition)
  - f. International Energy Conservation Code (latest edition)
  - g. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standards (latest editions)
  - h. ASHRAE Standards (latest editions), including but not limited to:
    - i. 90.1 (latest edition) Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise
    - ii. 55-Thermal Environmental Conditions for Human Occupancy
  - i. American Society of Mechanical Engineers
  - j. American Assoc. for Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC)
  - k. National Institute of Health (NIH)
  - l. Sheet Metal & Air-conditioning Contractors National Assoc. (SMACNA)
  - m. American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH)
  - n. American National Standard Institute (ANSI)
  - o. American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM)
  - p. Other as determined by Authority Having Jurisdiction

3. Insulation Materials:

Material	Preferred Material	Maximum Thermal Conductivity	Minimum Density (lb./c.ft.)	Pipe Size	Thickness
Hot Water and Dual Service (200°F and Below)	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.25	3	2" and smaller, 2 ½" and larger	1 ½" 2"
Hot Water and Dual Service (201°F and Above)	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.25	3	4" and smaller, 5" and larger	2 ½" 3"

<sup>2</sup> Chilled Water	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.20	3	4" and smaller 5" and larger	1 ½" 2"
<sup>1</sup> Low Pressure Steam (15 psig and below)	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.27	3	3"and smaller 4" and larger	2 ½" 3"
<sup>1</sup> Medium Pressure Steam (15 to 70 psig)	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.29	3	1 ¼"and smaller 1 ½" and larger	4" 4 ½"
<sup>1</sup> High Pressure Steam (70 psig and greater)	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.32	3	All	5"
<sup>1</sup> Steam Condensate Return and Pumped Condensate	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.27	3	4" and smaller 5" and larger	2 ½" 3"
Hot Water Air Separators	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.25	3.0	All	4"
<sup>1</sup> Steam Vent and Relief Valve Piping	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.27	3	All Sizes	2"
Coil Condensate Drain and City Water Make-up	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.20	3	1 ½" and smaller 2" and larger	½" 1"
Refrigerant Suction and Hot Gas	Flexible Elastomeric or Polyolefin	0.22	3	1 ½" and smaller 2" and larger	1 ½" 2"
Indoor Free Cooling and Outdoor Condenser Water Piping	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.22	3	All	1"
Hot Water Valves	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.25	3	1 ½" and smaller 2" and larger	1 ½" 2"
<sup>1</sup> Valves for Steam and Steam Condensate Return	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.27	3	1 ¼"and smaller 1 ½" and larger	4" 4 ½"
Domestic Cold Water	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.20	3	1 ½" and smaller 2" and larger	½" 1"
Domestic Hot Water and Hot Water Recirculation	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.25	3	All	2"
Rainwater Conductors and Roof Drain Bodies	Fiberglass Pipe Insulation	0.21	R-3	All	1"
Engine Exhaust	Calcium Silicate Pipe Insulation and Ceramic Cloth	0.32	14	All	4"
Boiler Breeching, Induced Draft Fans, Converter Shell, Condensate Receivers, Flash Tanks,	Calcium Silicate Equipment Insulation	0.32	14	All	4"

Deaerator Heaters, Hot Water Generator Shell, Boiler Feed Water Heaters, Boiler Feed Water Pumps, and Fuel Oil Heaters					
Boilers (not factory insulated)	Calcium Silicate Equipment Insulation	0.32	14		4"
Condensate Storage Tanks and Other Tanks Above 100°F	Calcium Silicate Equipment Insulation Or Fiberglass Pipe and Tank Insulation with All Service Jacket		R-6	All	3"
Tanks with Temperature Below 100°F	Flexible Elastomeric Insulation			All	1 ½"
Chilled Water Pumps, Plate and Frame Heat Exchangers, Air Handling Unit Coil Headers, Centrifugal Refrigeration Machines, and Chilled Water Valves	Foamed Plastic Equipment Insulation Or Flexible Elastomeric Insulation	0.21	R-3		1 ½"
Cooling Tower Sumps	Foamed Plastic Equipment Insulation	0.21	R-3		2"
Flexible Duct Connections	Integral insulation	0.23	R-6		¾"
Rectangular Supply Air, Outdoor Air and Mixed Air Ductwork and Plenums Located in Mechanical Equipment Rooms	Rigid Fiberglass Board Insulation Or Extruded Polystyrene Board Insulation	0.23	R-6	All	2"
Rectangular Supply Air, Return Air and Mixed Air Ductwork and Plenums Located Outdoors	Rigid Fiberglass Board Insulation Or Extruded Polystyrene Board Insulation		R-11		2"
Terminal Air Boxes (Interior Lining)	Fiber-Free Foam	0.25	R-6		¾"

Duct Mounted Coils, and Air-to-Air Heat Exchangers	Fiber-Free Foam	0.23	R-6		Mfgr's Standard Thickness
Supply Air, Outdoor Air and Mixed Air Ductwork – Exposed Interior	Double Wall – Expanded Foam or Fiberglass	0.26	R-1.9		1"
Supply Air, Outdoor Air and Mixed Air Ductwork and Plenums	Fiberglass Duct Blanket Insulation	0.23	R-6		2"
Kitchen Exhaust (Grease Laden)	Fire-Rated Blanket similar to 3M Fire Barrier Duct Wrap 615+	1.15@ 1000°F			To achieve required fire rating

<sup>1</sup>In Vaults and Tunnels the use of Pyrogel XT-E is preferred (when possible), as manufactured by Aspen Aerogels. Use of Pyrogel shall be evaluated in Mechanical Rooms. Five wrapped layers shall be provided to allow exterior surfaces to be at a safe OSHA “touch” temperature. In Vaults and Tunnels an aluminum jacket shall be provided to completely enclose insulation. Interior insulation shall receive a PVC jacket, color to match requirements of Section 230553.

<sup>2</sup>In Vaults and Tunnels the use of Cryogel Z is preferred (when possible), as manufactured by Aspen Aerogels. Use of Cryogel shall be evaluated in Mechanical Rooms. Provide the number of layers required to meet ASHRAE 90.1 – 2019 insulation value requirements. In Vaults and Tunnels an aluminum jacket shall be provided to completely enclose insulation. Interior insulation shall receive a PVC jacket, color to match requirements of Section 230553.

4. A continuous vapor barrier shall be provided on all piping systems that operate at ambient or below.
  - a. For system temperatures with fluids under 100°F and piping located in tunnels and vaults, this includes all insulation ends, cuts, etc.
5. Valve, Steam Trap, Equipment, and other Piping Components Insulation
  - a. Provide removable jackets at all components requiring servicing.
  - b. Shall be similar to HotCaps manufactured by Ohio Valley Industrial Services or Thermaxx Jackets.
    - i. Pyrogel XT-E shall be evaluated for use in these jackets for any service above 200°F.
  - c. For items not requiring yearly or more frequent servicing, provide standard means of insulation.
6. Insulation Jackets coordinate jacket with University Project Manager and University Mechanical Engineer.
  - a. Exterior
    - i. VentureClad or Alumaguard
    - ii. Corrugated Aluminum
    - iii. Stainless Steel
      1. Where exposed to Caustic environment.
    - iv. Metal jackets shall use stainless steel banding, self-adhering jackets are not acceptable.
  - b. Below-grade exterior
    - i. Refer to Underground Piping in Section 232113
  - c. Other exterior finishes
    - i. All piping that is installed outside but not insulated shall be painted.

- d. Interior
    - i. PVC
      - 1. In locations where it will receive no direct sunlight.
      - 2. When used in mechanical rooms, provide colored PVC to match system color of piping system. Refer to Section 230553 for system colors.
    - ii. Canvas
      - 1. Where exposed, painted to match system color, refer to Section 230553.
    - iii. Aluminum
    - iv. Stainless
      - 1. Where exposed to caustic environment.
    - v. Provide stainless steel banding on metal jackets.
  - e. Interior Below Slab
    - i. Shall match Below-Grade Exterior requirements.
7. Insulation shall be continuous through hangers, floor, and wall penetrations.
8. Duct liners, sound or insulation, shall be handled on a project-by-project basis.
- a. Any duct liner used shall have zero fibers in touch with the air streams and have a hospital grade anti-microbial coating on the air stream surface.
  - b. Any installation must meet the requirements of the manufacturer and SMACNA guidelines.
  - c. No lining of any kind shall be used in labs and vivarium type spaces.
9. All mastics, sealants and adhesives shall be low VOC as approved by the USGBC and/or per EPA standards.

END OF SECTION

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SECTION 232113 – MECHANICAL PIPING SYSTEMS

1. This section covers piping on all Mechanical systems, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Hot water systems
  - b. Chilled water systems
  - c. Condenser water systems
  - d. Steam and Steam Condensate systems
  - e. Process cooling water systems
  - f. System drains
  - g. Make-up water systems
  - h. Refrigerant systems (for HVAC related systems)
  - i. Fuel Oil systems
  - j. Underground piping
  - k. Expansion fittings and loops
  - l. Meters and Gauges
  
2. All metal piping shall be certified by NSF, ANSI, ASTM, CISPI per use of piping. Certifications shall be provided as part of the shop drawing submittal phase of the project and approved by the Design Professional.
  
3. Chilled water, heating hot water, condenser water and cooling coil condensate piping:
  - a. Piping shall be sized as set forth in the latest ASHRAE 90.1-2019 Table 6.5.4.6.
  - b. The minimum pipe size for chilled water, heating hot water and condenser water shall be 3/4".
  - c. The minimum pipe size for coil condensate drain piping shall be one size larger than the equipment's coil condensate discharge connection and not less than 3/4".
    - i. A clean-out shall be provided at each change of direction on drain piping.
  - d. Unions or a pair of flanges shall be provided at each piece of hydronic equipment to facilitate removal.
  - e. The piping shall meet the requirements of International Mechanical Code, latest edition.
  - f. Piping Systems Materials:
    - i. Chilled Water, Condenser Water and Hot Water Piping, Aboveground
      1. For pipe sizes 2" and smaller:
        - a. Pipe: type L hard drawn copper meeting ASTM B88 or Schedule 40 steel meeting ASTM A53, Grade B with the approval of the University.
        - b. Fittings: wrought copper meeting ASME B16.22. Malleable iron meeting ASME B16.3 when steel pipe is used.
        - c. Copper pipe and fittings shall be joined using solder. Steel pipe shall be threaded.
      2. For pipe sizes 2-1/2" and larger, Aboveground:
        - a. Pipe shall be Schedule 40 steel meeting ASTM A53 or A106, Grade B.
        - b. Fittings shall be either 150 pound or 300 pound (depending on system operating pressure) wrought steel meeting ASME B16.9, ASME B16.28 or ASTM A420.
        - c. Pipe and fittings shall be joined via welding.
    - ii. Chilled Water, Condenser Water and Hot Water Piping, Below Ground:
      1. For pipe sizes 2" and smaller:

- a. For below ground piping, a piping conduit system shall be used unless otherwise approved by the University. Carrier pipe shall be Schedule 40 steel meeting ASTM A53, Grade B.
    - b. Fittings shall be 3000 pound, forged steel meeting ASME B16.11.
    - c. Pipe and fittings shall be joined via socket welding.
    - d. System shall be insulated with expanded polyurethane with a HDPE or PVC jacket.
  - 2. For pipe sizes 2-1/2 and larger:
    - a. For below ground piping, a piping conduit system shall be used unless otherwise approved by the University.
    - b. Pipe shall be Schedule 40 steel meeting ASTM A53 or A106, Grade B.
    - c. Fittings shall be standard weight steel meeting ASTM A105 or ASTM A106.
    - d. Pipe and fittings shall be joined via butt welding.
    - e. System shall be insulated with expanded polyurethane with a PVC or HDPE jacket.
  - 3. Underground piping shall be by Thermacor, Insul-Tek, Perma-Pipe or Rovanco.
- iii. Coil Condensate Drain Piping, Aboveground:
  - 1. For pipe sizes 4" and smaller:
    - a. Pipe shall be type L hard drawn copper meeting ASTM B32.
    - b. Fittings shall be wrought copper meeting ASME B16.22.
    - c. Pipe and fittings shall be joined using solder. The solder shall be a Tin-Antimony compound, Grade 95TA (95% Tin, 5% Antimony). The use of solder containing lead is strictly prohibited.
  - iv. Other piping material may be considered when requested or required by the University end-user.
- g. Mechanical Joint Piping
  - i. The use of mechanical joint piping in lieu of threaded and welded piping is permitted (only with University's approval) in above ground chilled water, chilled water within vaults, above ground hot water, and condenser water piping systems, providing all of the following conditions are met.
    - 1. The piping system materials described in paragraph 3, Piping System Materials, above are utilized.
    - 2. Couplings shall be 2-segment
    - 3. Roll groove type mechanical joints are used. Cut groove type mechanical joints are not permitted.
    - 4. The piping is installed in accessible locations such as in Mechanical Equipment Rooms where the piping is exposed, vaults and tunnels where welding of systems is difficult to impossible. Mechanical joint piping shall not be installed in inaccessible locations such as in shafts and chases, above lay-in ceilings, plaster and spline ceilings, and in walls.
    - 5. The use of abrupt type reducing fittings is strictly prohibited.
    - 6. A minimum of one pipe hanger shall be provided between each mechanical joint coupling.
    - 7. A manufacturer's trained representative shall inspect all couplings and sign off on system prior to start-up.
  - ii. Use of pro-press style of pipe connections is not permitted.

- h. The pressure rating of the chilled water piping and accessories for the lower six floors of various buildings connected to the Oakland Lower Campus chilled water system shall be 300 psig. Any chilled water piping and accessories above the sixth floor shall be of 150 psig rating.
    - i. The Design Professional shall confirm this requirement and if 300 psig is required above the sixth floor.
  - i. The pressure rating of chilled water pipes and accessories for the lower six floors of buildings south of O'Hara Street in Oakland campus connected to the Upper Campus chilled water system shall be 300 psig while any chilled water piping above the sixth floor shall be of 150 psig rating.
    - i. The Design Professional shall confirm this requirement and if 300 psig is required above the sixth floor.
4. Steam and Condensate Piping
- a. Steam piping shall be designed as follows:
    - i. High pressure steam piping shall be designed for a maximum velocity of 1,000 feet per minute/inch diameter of pipe or 1.0 psi pressure drop per 100 feet of pipe whichever is the lower of pressure drops. Precautions shall be taken to prevent noise transmission from flow of steam in the steam pipes in the interior spaces. The above limits can be increased based on good engineering practice and/or availability of pressure drop.
    - ii. Low pressure steam should be designed for a maximum of 0.25 psi pressure drop per 100 feet of pipe and depending on direction of condensate flow as per ASHRAE guidelines.
  - b. Steam condensate return piping shall be gravity type, everywhere possible, and shall be designed as per ASHRAE guidelines and good engineering practice.
  - c. Pumped condensate piping shall be sized in accordance with the requirements given for hot water piping and good engineering practice.
  - d. All steam coils, steam-to-hot water heat exchangers and terminal equipment utilizing steam shall be designed for low steam pressure, 5 psig.
  - e. For pressure reducing valve requirements, refer to Section 230100. Precautions shall be taken to prevent noise transmission to adjacent spaces from pressure reducing valves.
  - f. Pipe Materials:
    - i. High Pressure Steam Piping (100 psig to 250 psig):
      - 1. For pipe sizes 2" and smaller:
        - a. Pipe shall be Schedule 40 steel seamless meeting ASTM A53, Grade B.
        - b. Fittings shall be 300 psig with threaded joints. In steam tunnels the fittings shall be malleable 3000 pound forged steel meeting ASME B16.11 with welded joints.
        - c. Pipe and fittings shall be joined via socket welding.
      - 2. For pipe sizes 2-1/2" and larger:
        - a. Pipe shall be Schedule 40 steel type E meeting ASTM A53 or A106, Grade B.
        - b. Fittings shall be standard weight wrought steel meeting ASME B16.9 or B16.28.
        - c. Pipe and fittings shall be butt welded and flanged joints.
    - ii. Low Pressure (up to 15 psig) and Medium Pressure (up to 100psig) Steam Piping:
      - 1. For pipe sizes 2" and smaller:
        - a. Pipe shall be Schedule 40 steel seamless meeting ASTM A53, Grade B.
        - b. Fittings shall be class 125 cast iron or 150 psig malleable iron with threaded joints.



2. For pipe sizes 2-1/2" and larger:
  - a. Pipe shall be Schedule 40 steel type E meeting ASTM A53 or A106, Grade B.
  - b. Fittings shall be standard weight wrought steel meeting ASME B16.9 or B16.28.
  - c. Pipe and fittings shall be butt welded, mechanically joined using Victaulic Style 870 couplings or shall have flanged joints.
  - d. Mechanical Grooved Steam pipe (on piping up to 15 psig) is allowable where stipulated below, shall be grooved using a Victaulic grooving tool equipped with R9S roll sets, in accordance with Victaulic Specification OGS-200. A factory trained manufacturer approved representative of the coupling manufacturer shall provide on-site training for contractor's field personnel in the use of grooving tools, application of groove, and product installation. The contractor, with assistance from grooved manufacturer, shall keep a torque log on joints due to required torque for correct installation.
    - i. The piping is installed in accessible locations such as in Mechanical Equipment Rooms where the piping is exposed, vaults and tunnels where welding of systems is difficult to impossible. Mechanical joint piping shall not be installed in inaccessible locations such as in shafts and chases, above lay-in ceilings, plaster and spline ceilings, and in walls.
    - ii. A manufacturer's trained representative shall inspect all couplings and sign off on system prior to start-up.
- iii. High and Medium Pressure Steam Condensate Return Piping; Aboveground and Below Ground:
  1. For pipe sizes 2" and smaller:
    - a. Pipe shall be Schedule 80 steel type S meeting ASTM A106, Grade B.
    - b. Fittings shall be extra heavy duty wrought steel meeting ASME B16.9, ASME B16.28 or ASTM A420.
    - c. Pipe and fittings shall be joined via socket welding for below ground service and in steam tunnel service.
  2. For pipe sizes 2-1/2" and larger:
    - a. Pipe shall be Schedule 80 steel Type E meeting ASTM A53 or A106, Grade B.
    - b. Fittings shall be extra heavy duty wrought steel meeting ASME B16.9, ASME B16.28 or ASTM A420.
    - c. Pipe and fittings shall be butt welded.
- iv. For below ground piping, a piping conduit system shall be used. The conduit system shall be a factory fabricated piping system and the outer casing shall be designed to protect against corrosion over the life of the system. Piping materials shall be as described above.
  1. Alternately steam and condensate pipes may be installed in tunnels or mini trenches.
  2. No pipes shall be buried inside the buildings.
  3. Underground piping shall be by Thermacor, Insul-Tek, Perma-Pipe or Rovanco.

- g. Low Pressure Steam Condensate Return and Pumped Condensate Return Piping; Aboveground and Below Ground:
1. For pipe sizes 2" and smaller:
    - a. Pipe shall be Schedule 80 steel type S meeting ASTM A53, Grade B.
    - b. Fittings shall be 300 psig malleable iron with screwed joints meeting ASME B16.3 for aboveground service and shall be forged steel meeting ASME B16.11 for below ground and tunnel service.
    - c. Pipe and fittings shall be joined via socket welding for below ground service and in steam tunnel service.
  2. For pipe sizes 2-1/2" and larger:
    - a. Pipe shall be Schedule 80 steel Type E meeting ASTM A53 or A106, Grade B.
    - b. Fittings shall be extra heavy duty wrought steel meeting ASME B16.9, ASME B16.28 or ASTM A420.
    - c. Pipe and fittings shall be butt welded, mechanically joined using Victaulic Style 870 couplings or shall have flanged joints.
    - d. Mechanical Grooved Steam pipe shall be grooved using a Victaulic grooving tool equipped with R9S roll sets, in accordance with Victaulic Specification OGS-200. A factory trained manufacturer approved representative of the coupling manufacturer shall provide on-site training for contractor's field personnel in the use of grooving tools, application of groove, and product installation. The contractor, with assistance from grooved manufacturer, shall keep a torque log on joints due to required torque for correct installation.
      - i. A manufacturer's trained representative shall inspect all couplings and sign off on system prior to start-up.
  3. For below ground piping, a piping conduit system shall be used. The conduit system shall be a factory fabricated piping system and the outer casing shall be designed to protect against corrosion over the life of the system. Piping materials shall be as described above.
    - a. System shall be insulated with expanded polyurethane with a FRP jacket.
    - b. Alternately steam and condensate pipes may be installed in tunnels or mini trenches. No pipes shall be buried inside the buildings.
  4. Underground piping shall be by Thermacor, Insul-Tek, Perma-Pipe or Rovanco.
- h. Steam Traps:
- i. Where available, provide traps with universal connection, for easy disconnection and replacement.
  - ii. Steam traps serving low pressure (15 psig and below) coils, terminal equipment and end-of-main drips shall be the float and thermostatic (F&T) type.
  - iii. Steam traps off pre-heat steam coils shall be an inverted bucket trap with a thermostat wafer type trap in parallel.
  - iv. Steam traps serving high pressure end-of-main drips shall be the thermodynamic type.
  - v. All steam traps shall be provided with check valves and an isolation valve on either side of trap.

- vi. Provide a strainer with a capped hose end connection on inlet of traps.
- vii. Trap sizing shall take cold start-up of associated heating apparatus into consideration.
- viii. The Professional shall provide a schedule of steam traps on the drawings.
- i. Each existing to remain steam radiator within a project scope area shall be provided with a steam control valve.
- j. All high-pressure condensate shall be flashed before being drained into the low pressure condensate system and condensate drain tank. Low pressure steam shall be extracted from the flash tanks.
  - i. Use of heat recovery devices (heat exchangers or other means) shall be considered for all flash tank installations.
- k. Steam tunnels shall be ventilated with supply and/or exhaust fans.
- l. Steam and/or condensate vaults not connected to tunnels shall be provided with ventilation. Temperatures shall be kept to a maximum of 100°F.
- m. Steam pressure reducing stations shall be self-contained or pilot operated from downstream steam pressure. Electrically operated or compressed air operated pressure reducing valves are not acceptable.
- n. Each pressure reducing valve shall have a strainer installed upstream prior to each pressure reducing valve.
- o. A high pressure reducing station shall be provided in each new or existing facility/building and shall be designed to reduce pressure to 5-15 psig in two steps. Single pressure reducing valves are not acceptable. Provide 1/3 and 2/3 capacity control system with a bypass at each reducing step and station. Provide relief valve piped to outdoors per the Codes. The Professional shall clearly identify high pressure 175 psi steam system to be provided with 300 psig duty piping and accessories on the drawings.
  - i. PRV valves shall be by Spence, Spirax-Sarco, Armstrong, Leslie, TLV, or approved equal.

#### 5. Refrigerant Piping

- a. Refrigerant piping shall be sized per equipment manufacturer's recommendations.
- b. Manufacturer shall approve in writing all sizing and routing of refrigerant piping prior to equipment start-up.
  - i. Approval shall be submitted to the Engineer of Record AND the University, and included in Warranty package provided to the University.
- c. The Professional shall request and approve the shop drawings for the installation of refrigerant piping before the Contractor installs the piping making sure that all the conditions in these standards are met.
  - i. Installation of refrigerant piping shall comply with the requirements of ASHRAE Standard 15 (latest edition) and International Mechanical Code, latest edition. This shall include any required refrigerant exhaust systems.
  - ii. Hot gas bypass shall be specified only after consultation with the University.
  - iii. Time delay relay shall be installed in the refrigeration equipment to prevent short cycling of the refrigeration system.
  - iv. Oil traps shall be provided based on manufacturer's recommendation after their review of the proposed piping layout.
- d. Piping Systems Materials:
  - i. All aboveground refrigerant piping shall be type L, hard drawn ACR copper meeting ASTM B280 or ASTM B88.
  - ii. All below ground 2" and smaller shall be Type K annealed-copper tubing.
  - iii. All below ground 2-1/2" and larger shall be type L, hard drawn ACR copper meeting ASTM B280 or ASTM B88, installed within a PVC carrier pipe.
  - iv. Fittings shall be wrought copper meeting ASME B16.22.
  - v. Pipe and fittings shall be joined with the use of BCuP silver alloy brazing meeting AWS A5.8.

6. Fuel Oil Systems, Tanks, Piping and Accessories (and other Hazardous Materials)
  - a. Storage tanks
    - i. Requirements and Permitting
      1. Environmental, Health and Safety (EH&S) must be notified of any tank installation, regardless of the size.
      2. Submit proposed equipment and layout design to EH&S, University Project Manager, for general review after initial design and equipment specification, but prior to bid process.
      3. EH&S will review the design and specifications to determine if the Aboveground Storage Tank (AST) is a State-regulated or non-regulated tank.
      4. EH&S will work with the design and construction team to determine all permits and regulatory body approvals required.
7. The contents of ALL storage tanks must be prominently displayed on the tank.
8. T-Drill Piping: Tee drill connections are NOT permissible.
9. Bullhead Tees are NOT permissible.
10. Connections between ferrous and nonferrous metallic pipe shall be made with dielectric unions or flanges. Use of a bronze or brass valve is NOT a substitute for a dielectric union.
11. Pipe Seals: Where piping, exposed to standard operating temperatures, passes through exterior walls or waterproofed floors, a sealing element manufactured from EPDM with interlocking links shall be used.
  - a. Pipe seals shall be similar to PSI/Thunderline Link-Seal or Metraflex.
12. During construction, the project plan, as required in the project specifications, shall dictate how all piping shall be protected from dirt, dust, and moisture. Systems shall be flushed prior to connection to central systems or prior to operating any connected equipment.
  - a. The University shall be notified of when systems will be flushed.

END OF SECTION

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SECTION 232115 – PIPING ACCESORIES

1. This section covers piping accessories for all Mechanical/Plumbing/Fire Protection systems, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Steam and Steam Condensate systems
  - b. Hot water systems
  - c. Chilled water systems
  - d. Condenser water systems
  - e. Process cooling water systems
  - f. System drains
  - g. Make-up water systems
  - h. Refrigerant systems
  - i. Fuel Oil systems
  - j. Underground piping
  - k. Air Handling Systems
  - l. Exhaust systems
  - m. Make-up air systems
  - n. Energy recovery systems
  - o. Domestic Cold and Hot Water
  - p. Domestic Hot Water Recirculation
  - q. Natural Gas and Propane
  - r. RO and RODI
  - s. Compressed air
  - t. Lab air and gases, med air and gases, vacuum
  
2. The pressure rating of the chilled water piping and accessories for the lower six floors of various buildings connected to the Oakland Lower Campus chilled water system shall be 300 psig. Any chilled water piping and accessories above the sixth floor shall be of 150 psig rating.
  - a. The Design Professional shall confirm this requirement and if 300 psig is required above the sixth floor.
  
3. Expansion Compensation
  - a. General:
    - i. Where physical conditions permit, expansion compensation for piping shall be accomplished by "pre-fabricated" type pipe expansion compensation.
    - ii. Where physical conditions do not permit, expansion compensation for piping shall be accomplished using:
      1. Pack-less, externally pressurized, metal bellows type expansion joints similar to Hyspan Series 3500 and/or equal.
      2. Pack-less expansion compensator type expansion joints similar to Hyspan Series 8500.
      3. Grooved end, pack-less, gasketed type, with grooved end telescoping body, suitable for axial end movement for up to 3" and 300psi, Victaulic Style 150 Mover shall be allowed.
    - iii. Use of expansion joints shall be approved by the University.
    - iv. Pipe guides shall be the spider type similar to Metraflex Style IV Spider or Hyspan Series 9500.
  - b. Design risers to connect to mains with at least 4 pipe fittings, including tee in main.
  - c. Design risers to connect to terminal units with at least 3 pipe fittings, including tee in riser.
  - d. Special considerations shall be made in tight spaces. Alternate methods of pipe expansion compensation must be approved by University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
  
4. Meters and Gauges

- a. General: The following paragraphs provide guidance for the design, installation, operation, and testing of chilled water and steam Btu metering stations installed in pipe lines up to eight inches in diameter.
- b. Pressure gages shall be provided across all pressure regulating/reducing valves, at control valves, make-up water valves, pumps, chillers, boilers, steam heating coils etc.
- c. Thermometers shall be provided at inlet and outlet of air handling unit and blower unit coils, boilers, chillers, heat exchangers.
- d. P/T ports shall be provided on supply and return piping at all heating/cooling coils, radiant panels and any other equipment served by hot/chilled/condenser water systems.
- e. Meters:
  - i. Environmental Conditions
    - 1. The meter shall be installed in a space suitable for inspection, protection and service. The space shall be adequately lighted and ventilated to prevent development of a toxic atmosphere or temperature extremes.
    - 2. Isolation valves shall be provided on the inlet and outlet of the primary element.
  - ii. Characteristics of Construction
    - 1. The proper direction of the flowing medium shall be marked on the primary measuring element. Primary element flow measurement range, pipe diameter, serial number and manufacturers name shall be stamped on a metal tab welded to the element and which will be visible when the element is installed in the piping system.
  - iii. All system pressure sensors shall be Rosemount Smart Transmitters Model 3051 C. Pressure sensors for steam flow pressure correction, if required, shall be installed in locations approved by the University of Pittsburgh Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
  - iv. Temperature sensors for the measurement of differential temperature shall be installed in locations approved by the University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project. The sensor shall be a 100 ohm platinum RTD with a 2-wire 4-20 ma output transmitter contained within a single housing. Temperature sensors shall be installed in stainless steel thermo-wells and shall be filled with a heat conductive medium.
- f. Installation Requirements
  - i. All valves shall be 600 psi rated ball valves with stainless steel body, stainless steel ball and glass reinforced TFE packing and seats.
  - ii. A minimum #18 AWG twisted shielded pair of wires in 3/4" conduit shall be run from the pressure and temperature transmitters to a Building Automation System control panel which will be identified by the University of Pittsburgh.
- g. Maximum Ambient Operating Conditions
  - i. The components of steam and chilled water metering stations must operate satisfactorily over an ambient temperature range of -40°F to 185°F.
- h. Steam Meters
  - i. For piping 4" and under provide a SpiraxSarco Model TVA.
    - 1. Turndown of 50:1
    - 2. 4-20ma pulsed output
    - 3. Low voltage power
    - 4. +-2% accuracy from 10%-100% maximum flow
    - 5. Alternate manufacturers shall be allowed provided they meet a similar turndown at the proposed operating range.
  - ii. Steam meter, type, size, and spec shall be verified/determined in coordination with the University on a project by project basis.
  - iii. The Professional shall determine the summer and winter minimum and maximum flows for each meter. Meters shall have certified operation thru the whole range of flows.

5. Air Separators shall be provided on all chilled water and hot water systems.
  - a. Tangential type air separators shall be used.
    - i. Size separators for 1 psi pressure drop.
    - ii. Basis of design shall be Rolairtrol manufactured by B&G.
  - b. Air And Dirt Separators
    - i. Where the Professional deems necessary a combination air and dirt separator shall be provided. University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project shall approve this use.
    - ii. Basis of design shall be Spirotherm. Other manufacturers are allowed provided they meet the performance and component specifications.
  - c. Provide high-capacity automatic air vent off the top of the air separator.
  - d. Shall have a quarter turn ball valve on the blowdown. Blowdown shall not be directly above any piping or equipment.
6. Expansion Tanks
  - a. All chilled and hot water systems shall be provided with an Expansion Tank.
    - i. Professional shall determine if a replaceable bladder tank or a compression tank best meets the needs of the project.
    - ii. Replaceable bladder expansion tanks shall be similar to Wessels, Bell and Gosset or Armstrong with ASME ratings.
      1. Other manufacturers may be submitted for approval in the design phase of projects, if approved they may be listed in the project specifications.
7. Automatic Air Vents
  - a. Automatic air vents shall be installed only in mechanical rooms in consultation with the University.
  - b. Provide automatic air vents on equipment side of isolation/shutoff valves; on chillers, heat exchangers, boiler, etc.
8. Manual Air Vents
  - a. Manual air vents shall be provided at all high points, at pipe turn downs in the direction of water flow, heat exchangers and coils.
9. Strainers
  - a. Y-pattern
    - i. Steam:
      1. Y-type strainers shall be provided at all pressure regulating valves, control valves, steam traps etc
      2. For steam systems use size 20 mesh for strainers up to 2", 0.045 perf from 2-1/2" to 6" and 0.062 perf above 6"
      3. For Steam Condensate strainers use 0.045 perf up to 2" and 0.125 perf above 2".
    - ii. Chilled and Hot Water
      1. Y-type strainers shall be provided at all control valves
  - b. Basket
    - i. Provide at inlet of each condensate receiver.
  - c. Temporary pump strainers
    - i. Shall be provided on suction side of every new pumps during construction. Once systems has been flushed and treated but prior to balancing, the temporary strainer shall be removed.
10. Drain Valves
  - a. Drain valves shall be full port quarter turn ball valves with capped hose ends
  - b. 3/4" drain valves shall be provided on both sides of pumps, coils, heat exchangers, chillers and boilers. Additional locations may be added based on project scopes.

11. Drip Legs:

- a. On steam piping provide drip legs before control valves to protect control valve seats. Slope steam supply piping between the drip and the control valve back towards the drip.

12. Make-up Water

- a. A reduced pressure zone backflow preventer shall be used. Similar to Watts LF009 for 3" and smaller piping.
  - i. Backflow protection shall meet all applicable code and AHJ requirements.
- b. All make-up water to the hot and chilled water shall be provided with pressure reducing valves, strainers, pressure gauges etc.
- c. Make-up water for hot and chilled water systems shall be introduced into the systems thru or adjacent to the air separator. Follow manufacturer's recommendations for this tie-in piping arrangement.
- d. Make-up water for cooling tower condenser water systems shall be introduced into the cooling tower sump basin.
- e. Other systems requiring make-up water shall be handled on a case by case basis.
- f. Provide a water meter on all make-up water systems. Meter shall be tied into the Campus BAS. Refer to Campus BAS requirements for types.

13. Pressure gages shall be provided across all pumps, heating/cooling coils at air-handling units, heat exchangers, chillers, boilers etc. Thermometers shall be provided across all heating/cooling coils, heat exchangers, chillers, boilers etc.

14. Flow Control Devices:

- a. All air handling units over 1500 cfm shall be provided with a pressure independent control valve on the chilled water and hot water coils.
  - i. Valves shall be similar to Flow Control Industries, TA/Victaulic, FDI, Belimo or approved equal.
- b. Automatic type flow control devices shall be installed on hot water heating systems such as fin tube radiation, VAV box reheat coils or wherever else permitted by the University at the equipment with low hot water flows. Automatic flow control devices shall also be installed on chilled water piping to fan coil units, under 1500 CFM.
- c. All manual balancing valves shall be wide pattern globe valves and shall be Tour and Anderson, Armstrong, or approved equal.
- d. Actuators shall be matched with and approved by Control Valve manufacturer.
- e. Provide Cv values on drawings for all chilled water control valves. Provide Cv values on drawings for steam and hot water equipment with a flow rate of 20GPM or greater (equivalent).

15. Methods and materials for wet taps, where permitted by the University Planning Mechanical Engineer and Operations Mechanical Engineer, shall be submitted for approval by the A/E. Submittals shall include documentation on the products to be used with complete instructions and procedures to ensure successful wet taps.

- a. This shall be approved by the Design Professional and University Operations.

END OF SECTION



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SECTION 233100 – DUCT AND AIRSIDE ACCESORIES

1. This section covers duct and ductwork accessories for airside systems, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Outdoor air
  - b. Supply air
  - c. Return air
  - d. Exhaust air
2. An IAQ plan shall be incorporated into every construction project where ductwork is replaced, new, connected to, or otherwise involved. SMACNA guidelines should serve as a guide.
3. For all airside sensors and switches refer to ATC Section 230900 for details and equipment requirements.
4. The use of fiberglass duct board as a means of conveying air is strictly prohibited.
5. The use of flexible ductwork is permitted on supply air systems provided that the following conditions are met.
  - a. Maximum length of the flexible ductwork for any single application shall be 5' - 0".
  - b. All flexible ductwork shall be insulated.
  - c. Maximum total change in direction shall be equivalent to 90°. Flexible duct shall not be accepted with any kinks due to direction change.
  - d. The flexible duct shall be directly connected to a supply diffuser at one end.
  - e. Flexible ductwork shall be connected to diffusers via stainless steel bands with cadmium plated hex screws. Plastic connectors are not permitted.
6. Duct systems shall be constructed in accordance with the latest edition of SMACNA Duct Construction Standards.
  - a. Except where connecting to equipment or louver plenums, the maximum duct aspect ratio shall be 4 to 1.
7. Duct Design Sizing Criteria:
  - a. Laboratory Exhaust Ductwork shall be sized for a minimum air velocity of 1,500 feet per minute.
  - b. Kitchen exhaust ductwork shall be sized for a minimum air velocity of 2,000 feet per minute.
8. Branches and Branch Connections:
  - a. Rectangular branch ducts connecting to the main duct shall be made with a 45° boot type connection per SMACNA Duct Construction Standards, no splitter dampers shall be used.
  - b. Bullhead tees and 4-way crosses are not allowed under any circumstances.
9. Transitions: In order to avoid high air pressure fitting losses, the maximum permissible angle for any side of a converging or diverging duct transition shall be 18.4° (3:1 ratio).
10. Volume Dampers:
  - a. Each branch duct run-out serving a diffuser, register or grille shall contain a volume damper. This applies to supply, exhaust and ducted return diffusers, registers and grilles.
  - b. The volume dampers shall be the opposed blade type for rectangular ducts in which the smallest side is larger than 12 inches.
  - c. Volume dampers shall be the butterfly (single blade) type for round ductwork and for rectangular ductwork in which the smallest side is 12 inches or less.

- d. Dampers shall have a handle extension to allow operation of damper without damage to the adjacent insulation.
  - e. Dampers shall not be installed at the diffuser/grille unless installed in an inaccessible ceiling with no other possible location for volume dampers.
  - f. Dampers shall be fully gasketed.
  - g. Provide with shaft seals to prevent air leakage.
11. Control Dampers:
- a. Refer to the Controls Section in the Design Manual.
12. Turning Vanes:
- a. Single thickness turning vanes having a trailing edge shall be provided in all supply duct mitered rectangular duct elbows having an angle greater than 45°.
13. Ductwork Construction Materials:
- a. General supply air, return air and exhaust air ductwork shall be constructed of galvanized steel or aluminum.
  - b. Laboratory exhaust ductwork shall be constructed of stainless steel 304 with welded construction, unless otherwise required by lab use.
  - c. Kitchen exhaust ductwork shall be constructed of minimum 18 gauge stainless steel in areas where the duct is exposed and minimum 16 gauge black steel in areas where the duct is concealed. Kitchen exhaust ductwork shall be of all welded construction and enclosed in a two hour fire rated enclosure or three hour fire rated insulation.
  - d. Other materials may be considered due to nature of air being exhausted on a project by project basis.
14. Fire Dampers, Smoke Dampers and Fire/Smoke Combination Dampers
- a. Dampers shall be Greenheck, Tamco, Arrow, Ruskin or approved equal.
  - b. All dampers shall be UL and FM listed complete with a UL approved sleeve.
    - i. Provide UL details on plans when fire/smoke/combination dampers are used.
  - c. Contractor shall ensure proper access is available to allow full functional testing and maintenance.
    - i. Provide access doors in ductwork and ceilings/walls to ensure proper access.
  - d. Where possible use 'blades out of the airstream' type dampers.
15. HVAC Systems Requirements:
- a. Separate air systems shall be provided for each of the following classifications of areas. Specialized areas not specifically mentioned in these standards shall be reviewed with the University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project for final design determination.
    - i. Laboratories
    - ii. Animal Facilities
    - iii. Office Space and Classroom Space
    - iv. Deviations from this shall be reviewed on a case by case basis.
16. Laboratory Supply Air Systems:
- a. The following Laboratory supply air systems shall be provided that meet the design guidelines/performance criteria as follows:
    - i. Provide a "Once through" air system with heat recovery.
    - ii. Air supply to laboratories must keep temperature gradients and air turbulence to a minimum, especially near the face of laboratory fume hoods and biological safety cabinets. Diffusers shall be located so that they do not affect air flow patterns at the fume hood face.
    - iii. All supply air ductwork in the laboratories shall be tested for minimum 4 inches, or 125% of design whichever is higher, of static pressure for air leaks and air leak noise as per SMACNA guidelines.

- iv. Outside air intakes shall be located to prevent entrainment of relief air, exhaust air, or fume hood effluent. Wind/wake test shall be performed, as directed by the University Project Manager, to assure adequacy of the design configuration where multiple buildings are located at the same site.
- b. Refer to University Laboratory Design Manual for additional information.
- c. Refer to Controls Section 230900 for additional information.

17. Laboratory Exhaust Systems:

- a. The University Project Architect shall determine the type of laboratory fume hood to be employed for each application. Variable air volume type fume hoods are required, non VAV-hoods shall be discussed on a case by case basis.
- b. Provide laboratory exhaust systems that shall meet the following design guidelines/performance criteria:
  - i. Laboratory exhaust system design approach and requirements shall be discussed with the University during the initial design phase.
  - ii. All lab fume hoods and safety cabinets shall be equipped with local visual and local audible alarms to warn the lab workers of unsafe air flows.
  - iii. All fume hood exhaust fans shall be located outside on the roof, or shall be in an approved, by University Project Manager, location.
  - iv. Fume hood exhaust plumes shall be discharged to escape the building envelope. Professional shall design vertical discharge ducts with a minimum exit velocity of 3,000 FPM and a minimum height of 10 feet above the roof.
  - v. Fume hood exhaust ducts may be manufactured of galvanized iron or stainless steel depending on the corrosive nature of the effluent.
  - vi. Fume hood exhaust effluents shall not be filtered unless directed otherwise by the University, AAALAC, or NFPA
  - vii. Auxiliary air supply hoods shall not be used.
  - viii. The Professional shall provide area pressurization plans complete with excess air flow.
  - ix. All exhaust air ductwork in the laboratories shall be tested for minimum 4 inches, or 125% of design whichever is higher, of static pressure for air leaks and air leak noise as per SMACNA guidelines.
- c. Refer to University Laboratory Design Manual for additional information.
- d. Refer to Controls Section 230900 for additional information.

18. Laboratory Fume Hood Systems - Designers Guidelines:

- a. Fume Hood System General Design Requirements:
  - i. Engineered control of the laboratory atmosphere shall be designed as part of a system consisting of the make-up air system, fume hood(s), exhaust ductwork, exhaust fan, and configuration of effluent discharge point. Refer to University's Laboratory Design Standards for additional requirements. Due to the large number of variations possible in system configurations, it is necessary that the Professional work closely with the University to define the system.
  - ii. The design intent for a new system shall be to provide a variable volume make-up air system, a variable exhaust flow at the hood based upon sash position, a hood bypass or general exhaust controlled by sash position to maintain suitable air changes of outside air per hour and an exhaust fan to maintain 3,000 FPM exit velocity. Necessary supply air shall be provided by VAV boxes/air control valves.
  - iii. All laboratory fume hoods shall meet the standards of the Occupational Safety and Health Act, the Scientific Equipment & Furniture Association Standard SEFA latest edition, the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, ASHRAE Standard 110, the American National Standards Institute and the Americans with Disabilities Act.
  - iv. Hoods shall be designed for a face velocity of 80 FPM. Hood sashes shall be normally closed.

- v. Any hood that is open in the unoccupied mode shall exhaust air at 60 FPM at the sash. The face velocity of the hood shall be increased to 80 FPM with the motion sensor when the Lab Operator comes into the lab. Coordinate with EH&S to confirm.
- vi. Coordinate and provide for all plumbing, ductwork and electrical connections required for fume hoods.
- vii. Safety Monitor/Alarm System: Provide Safety/Monitor/Alarm System which monitors face velocity and provides audible and visual alarm if face velocity drops below 55 FPM or rises above 150 FPM.

19. Animal Facilities:

- a. Provide the following Animal Facilities supply and exhaust systems that meet the following design guidelines/performance criteria:
  - i. The University will provide temperature constraints for each application or project.
  - ii. The animal facility shall have a once through variable volume air system (with heat recovery where needed).
  - iii. Supply fan systems shall be capable of using either 85 percent or 95 percent efficient filters based upon ASHRAE Standard 52-76 Test Method. Filter selection will be determined based on the laboratory usage. Provide pre-filters as part of the air handling unit system.
  - iv. Exhaust plumes shall be discharged to escape the building envelope. Professional shall design the vertical discharge ducts with an exit velocity of 3,000 FPM and minimum height of 10'-0" above the roof.
  - v. Filtering of exhaust will be determined by the University and relevant code and health regulations for each project.
  - vi. Controls and dampers shall be of a type that in the event of failure, will fail open to assure continuous draft and control of temperature.
  - vii. Laboratory animal rooms shall be maintained at an air pressure that is at least 0.05 inches W.C. positive relative to the adjacent corridors. The entire animal facility shall be at least 0.05 inches W.C. negative with respect to all other parts of the building.
  - viii. The outside air intake shall be located to prevent entrainment of relief air, exhaust air, or fume hood effluent.
  - ix. Laboratory animal room air conditioning shall be designed in accordance with the ASHRAE HANDBOOK HVAC Systems and Applications and AAALAC.
  - x. The use of air contaminant monitoring shall be used to vary the amount of air exhaust and supplied to the space. Air volume shall be determined by appropriate regulations and standards governing the particular animals in the facility.
- b. Refer to University Laboratory Design Manual for additional information.
- c. Refer to Controls Section 230900 for additional information.

20. Clothes Dryers:

- a. The exhaust duct for the clothes dryer shall be constructed of stainless steel and shall have a smooth interior finish. It shall meet the requirements of International Mechanical Code, latest edition.
- b. The ducts shall have a minimum clearance of 6" to the combustible materials and single lengths from each dryer shall not exceed 8 ft. Any duct transitions shall not be concealed and appropriate clean outs shall be provided on alternate floors.
- c. Where needed an exhaust fan shall be provided on top of the duct chase or inline in a mechanical room. The fan shall be sized based on the number of dryers and their exhaust requirements.
  - i. Fans shall be Tjernlund or approved equal.

21. Access doors:

- a. Provide to allow access to the following items: fire/smoke dampers, smoke detectors, control dampers, turning vanes, humidifiers, flow stations, duct coils as well as any other items that require inspection or maintenance.
- b. Access doors shall be of sufficient size to allow proper access.

## 22. Louvers

- a. Provide Greenheck, Ruskin or approved equal.
- b. Maximum velocity over net free area shall be 500fpm in inlet louvers. Provide inlet louvers with ½" mesh screen.
- c. Inlet louvers shall meet requirements of ASHRAE 62.1 for rain and snow entrainment.
- d. Intake louvers shall not be located along Forbes or 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue side of buildings.
- e. Provide a plenum on the back side of every louver, plenums shall be between 6" and 36" in depth. Depth shall be based on size and location of duct connections to allow for full face area use of louver.

## 23. Filters

- a. Every supply air system shall be provided with a filter bank.
- b. The Design Professional shall specify that three (3) sets of filters be provided for each filter bank; one (1) set of filters shall be installed during construction, second set of filters shall be installed after substantial completion and a third set of filters shall be delivered to the University in sealed cartons.
- c. Filter banks shall be designed for a maximum 300 feet per minute face velocity through the media unless otherwise approved by the University.
- d. While calculating air pressure drop for the supply air and exhaust fume ductwork, the Professional Engineer shall use dirty filter pressure drops.
- e. All filter banks in air handling units (supply and exhaust, if applicable) shall be provided with filter static pressure gauges. Static pressures shall be viewable at unit and via the building controls system. Setpoints shall be provided to control system to allow for setting up of dirty filter alarms. Setpoints for dirty filter status shall be recommended by filter manufacturers.
- f. Access areas for filter banks shall be shown on the engineering drawings, shop or coordination drawings and as-builts.
- g. A pre-filter bank with a rating of MERV 7 shall be installed upstream of each MERV 12 or greater filter.
- h. Other space applications shall be determined on a case-by-case basis.

## 24. Duct Cleaning

- a. All new ductwork shall be cleaned prior to final acceptance.
- b. During construction the project IAQ plan shall dictate how all ductwork shall be protected from dirt, dust and moisture.
- c. Any return duct being used during construction shall be protected with MERV 8 filters.
- d. Cleaning shall comply with NADCA ACR latest edition.
- e. Contractors responsible for cleaning shall be certified by NADCA.
- f. Existing ductwork shall be cleaned if the associated project encompasses either a full floor or if all the ductwork from a single air handling unit is contained within the project scope boundary.

END OF SECTION

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SECTION 238000 – HVAC EQUIPMENT

1. This section covers all HVAC equipment including but not limited to:
  - a. Pumps
  - b. Fans
  - c. Terminal Units
  - d. Diffusers, Grilles and Registers
  - e. Steam Condensate Pumps
  - f. Steam Traps
  - g. Utility Tunnel and Vault Sump Pumps
  - h. Variable Frequency Drives (VFDs)
  - i. Boilers
  - j. Water Cooled Chillers
  - k. Air Cooled Chillers
  - l. Cooling Towers
  - m. Heat Exchangers
  - n. Energy Recovery Units
  - o. Indoor/Outdoor Air Handling Units
  - p. Packaged Rooftop Units
  - q. Make-up Air Units
  - r. Split System Air Conditioning Units
  - s. Computer Room Air Conditioning Units
  - t. Heat Pumps
  - u. Fan Coil Units
  - v. Louvers
  - w. Unit Heaters
  - x. Humidifiers
  - y. Air Coils
  - z. Chilled Beams
  - aa. Fin Tube Radiators
  - bb. Radiant Heaters
2. General requirements
  - a. Manufacturers listed herein are preferred manufacturers. Do not construe this as a list of allowed manufacturers. Prior to bidding additional manufacturers can be provided for in the consultant's specifications.
    - i. Any alternate manufacturers must have representation and service capabilities housed within a 75-mile radius from the project site. Exceptions to this must be approved by the University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
  - b. All wiring within equipment shall be run in conduit or flexible metal conduit. Bare wiring shall NOT be allowed.
  - c. Equipment efficiencies shall be equal to or better than ASHRAE 90.1, latest edition, minimum requirements.
    - i. The University may require more stringent requirements based on the scope and size of the project.
  - d. Equipment located outdoors shall be reviewed to determine if additional protections, via material or coatings, are needed to add to the equipment's expected lifetime.
3. Equipment naming requirement
  - a. Large pieces of equipment, AHUs, pumps, chillers etc shall be labeled sequentially based on building/floor level.
    - i. For example, 2 AHU's on the 10<sup>th</sup> floor of a building shall be labeled AHU-10-1 and AHU-10-2.

- b. Terminal equipment shall be numbered based on room serving.
    - i. For example, a VAV box serving room 1305 shall be tagged VAV-1305.
    - ii. For equipment that serves more than one room, the tag shall reflect the room in which the primary controller/thermostat is located.
4. Pumps (*Chilled, Condenser, Hot Water, Process*)
- a. Pumps for building chilled or hot water systems shall be inline or base mounted.
    - i. Pumps shall be B&G, Armstrong, Patterson or Approved Equal.
  - b. Pumping systems shall be designed for N+1 redundancy.
  - c. For applications of pumps over 500 GPM, the pumps shall be vertical split case.
  - d. Use of horizontal inline pump use is OK where an acceptable pump curve is available.
  - e. Pumps shall be designed for motors at 1750 RPM. Pumps motors selected otherwise shall be approved by the University Mechanical Engineer. Motors shall be selected such that they are non-overloading for the complete operation of the pump.
  - f. Pumps shall be selected near their peak efficiency.
  - g. Pump shall be rated for 150% of the system pressure.
  - h. Bearings on the pump shall be rated for an average life of L-10, 200,000 hours.
  - i. Pumps shall not be selected with the minimum or maximum impeller size.
  - j. End suction pumps shall be laser aligned.
  - k. Pumps shall be installed only in dedicated mechanical rooms.
  - l. Triple Duty Valves shall not be installed on pumps. Provide shutoff valves on suction and discharge as well as a check valve on the discharge side of the pump.
    - i. Single phase pumps shall be provided with a balancing valve as well as valves mentioned above.
  - m. Pumps shall be able to be serviced individually without effecting the operation of the system. Design Professional shall allow a minimum of 3 feet around the pump to allow proper maintenance.
  - n. Pumps shall be provided with an extra seal kit.
5. Fans
- a. Fans shall be Greenheck, Cook, Penn, Twin City, or approved equal.
  - b. Motors shall be selected such that they are non-overloading for the complete operation of the fan.
  - c. All fans shall be AMCA certified.
  - d. All single-phase fans shall be provided with a speed controller to allow proper balancing.
  - e. Fans shall not be selected over 90% of their fan's maximum speed.
  - f. Bearings on the fan shaft shall be rated for an average life of L-10, 200,000 hours.
  - g. To allow access, extend bearing grease lines to an accessible location.
  - h. Vibration isolation and sound attenuation shall be considered on fan installations.
  - i. Two sets of extra belts shall be provided for each belt driven fan installed. These shall be handed over to the University at the time of Substantial Completion. Belt driven fans are not preferred for us on campus.
  - j. Fan access shall be provided for.
    - i. Especially for fans on roofs, ensure a path of travel is provided, with appropriate protections to meet OSHA standards.
    - ii. Fans installed above 10'-0" shall be provided with a means of access, i.e. catwalk, permanent ladders etc.
6. Laboratory Fans
- a. Fans shall be Strobic, MK Plastics, Greenheck or approved equal.
  - b. Fans shall be installed with N+1 redundancy.
  - c. All laboratory exhaust fans shall be direct drive, complete with VFDs, isolation dampers, exhaust plenums.
  - d. All components shall be provided with a corrosion resistant coating where exhaust air stream contains corrosive components.

- e. Sounds attenuation and vibration shall be considered during design and provided where necessary.
  - f. Wind-wake studies shall be undertaken on all new buildings and major renovations (\$2M or more where labs are being created). For smaller projects wind-wake studies may be required, as determined by the University.
  - g. Access shall be provided on all sides of exhaust fans including platforms, rigging to allow motor removals and as required to meet OSHA safety standards.
7. Terminal Units
- a. Fan Powered and VAV boxes shall be provided by:
    - i. Nailor, EnviroTec, Metalaire, Krueger or approved equal.
  - b. Terminal boxes shall be ARI Certified.
  - c. All Fan Powered Boxes shall be provided with ECM motors.
  - d. Flow sensors shall be multi-quadrant averaging type utilizing velocity and differential pressure.
  - e. Provide an access door to allow proper maintenance of the air damper and the reheat coil.
8. Laboratory Terminal Units
- a. Pressure independent venturi air valves shall be used to on supply air, general exhaust air and fume hood exhaust air.
    - i. Valves shall be by Phoenix or Accutrol. Alternate manufacturers may be evaluated on a case by case basis.
    - ii. All supply air valves shall be provided with a reheat coil.
    - iii. Valves shall be responsible for maintaining proper air flows, pressures, hood face velocities and temperature/humidity in laboratories and support spaces.
    - iv. The valve shall be pressure independent over a 0.6-inch to 3.0-inch wg drop across the valve. An integral pressure independent assembly shall respond and maintain specific airflow within one second of a change in duct static pressure irrespective of the magnitude of pressure and/or flow change or quantity of airflow controllers on a manifolded system.
    - v. Each venturi air valve shall be provided with a pressure sensing device, which will alarm the system if adequate pressure differential is not sensed.
    - vi. Airflow accuracy shall be plus or minus 5 percent of reading (not full scale) over an airflow turndown range of no less than 15 to 1. No minimum entrance or exit duct diameters shall be required to ensure speed of response, accuracy, or pressure independence.
    - vii. The airflow control device shall use closed loop control to linearly regulate airflow based on a digital control signal. The device shall generate a digital feedback signal that represents its airflow.
    - viii. The airflow control device shall use industry standard 24 VAC power.
    - ix. The airflow control device shall meet FCC Part 15 Subpart J Class A and be UL916 listed.
    - x. General exhaust air valves shall be constructed of 16 gage aluminum. All bearing surfaces shall be made of a composite Teflon or Teflon-infused (versus coated) aluminum. The assembly's shaft, pivot arm, shaft support brackets, and internal mounting hardware shall be made of 316 series stainless steel; lesser grade stainless steel materials are unacceptable.
    - xi. Fume hood exhaust valve assemblies and canopy hood valve assemblies shall have two baked-on coats of a corrosion resistant phenolic coating (Heresite P403 or Phenoflex 957). The assembly's shaft shall be 316L stainless steel with two additional baked-on coats of a corrosion resistant phenolic coating. The pivot arm, shaft support brackets, and internal mounting hardware shall be made of 316L stainless steel. All bearing surfaces shall be made of a composite Teflon or Teflon-infused (versus coated) aluminum; non-coated shafts and lesser grade stainless steel materials are unacceptable.



- xii. Fail in last position electric actuators are not acceptable.
- xiii. Certification:
  - 1. The air flow device shall be factory calibrated to the job specific airflows as detailed on the plans and specifications using NIST traceable air stations and instrumentation having a combined accuracy of at least plus or minus 1 percent of signal over the entire range of measurement. Electronic valves shall be further calibrated, and their accuracy verified to plus or minus 5 percent of signal at 8 different airflows per valve. All valve calibration shall be adjusted for the elevation of the specific location (above sea level).
  - 2. All airflow valves and measuring stations shall be individually marked with valve specific, factory calibration data. As a minimum, it should include a valve tag number; serial number; model number; 8-point point valve characterization information (electronic valves); and quality control inspection numbers. All information shall be stored on computer diskette in ASCII format for future retrieval or for hard copy printout to be included with "as-built" documentation.
- xiv. Refer to ATC Section 230900 for control requirements.

#### 9. Diffusers, Grilles and Registers

- a. These devices shall be provided by Metal-Aire, Krueger, Nailor, Price or Approved Equal.
- b. Square plaque type supply diffusers are preferred. Other types of diffusers shall be provided as needed (eg. 3-way or 2-way blow patterns, laminar flow for labs, etc.)
  - i. Eggcrate or perforated supply diffusers shall NOT be allowed at the University.
- c. Linear diffusers shall have their pattern controllers adjusted prior to balancing. The design engineer shall provide for this provision in the design drawings AND specifications. The design engineer shall specify how the pattern controllers shall be set in the field. If the airflow pattern controllers are set after balancing, then the linear diffusers shall be re-balanced along with their associated terminal units and other diffusers connected to the same terminal unit.
- d. Linear diffusers shall not be used in interior space applications, unless required to accommodate architectural features.
- e. Return grilles in a plenum return application with a lay-in ceiling shall be a full tile (22x22 face) grille.

#### 10. Steam Condensate Pumps

- a. These pumps shall be provided by Domestic Pump, ShipCo, MEPCO, Spence, or Spirax Sarco.
- b. All pumps shall be electric, duplex, floor mounted pumps and tank, with control panel, motor controller for each pump, pump alternator, float switches, sight glass, high level alarm to BAS and pump status to BAS.
- c. All components shall be rated to 210°F
- d. Provide an inlet strainer on the condensate return line.
- e. Provide shutoff valves on suction side of each pump. Provide check valve and shutoff valve on discharge side of each pump.

#### 11. Steam Traps

- a. Traps shall be by Spirax Sarco, TLV, Bell & Gosset/Hoffman, Armstrong, or approved equal.

#### 12. Utility Tunnel and Vault Sump Pumps

- a. Pumps shall be hard-wired electrically, with a local disconnect on the nearest adjacent wall.
- b. Provide high level alarm and on-off floats.
- c. Pumps shall be selected for high temp (minimum 210°F) operation and conditions.

- i. GRI Pumps, centrifugal pumps with mechanical seals, may be used when installed properly in a sump basin.

### 13. Variable Frequency Drives

- a. Variable frequency drives (VFDs) shall be provided for all fans and pumps that have 3-phase motors.
- b. Variable frequency drives (VFDs) of all horsepower sizes shall be 6-pulse with 5% line reactors or equivalent DC link reactors. VFDs shall utilize pulse-width modulation technology with diode bridge rectifiers and insulated gate bipolar transistor inverters. Reactors shall be mounted within the VFD enclosure.
- c. For motors greater than or equal to 50HP, VFDs shall be equipped with harmonic mitigation filters or active front end mitigation. Filters shall be integrated into the same enclosure as the VFD, built and tested at a UL508C factory.
- d. VFDs shall be ABB ACH580 Vertical E-clipse Bypass Drive or similar by:
  - i. Benshaw SG Series
  - ii. Square D
  - iii. Danfoss
  - iv. Eaton HMax or CFX
  - v. Siemens
- e. Where practicable, VFDs shall be mounted nearby their associated motor to limit motor cable length to less than 75 feet. VFDs shall not be mounted outdoors, unless approved by University.
- f. VFDs shall be in NEMA 1 enclosures, when located indoors. Outdoor located VFDs shall be rated appropriate for their use and location.
- g. For motor cable lengths exceeding the VFD manufacturer's recommended maximum cable length or 300ft, whichever is less, VFDs shall be equipped with DVDT output filters. DVDT output filters shall reduce VFD-created overshoot voltages to less than the motor insulation voltage rating (1600V for new inverter duty motors and 1200V for existing standard motor VFD retrofits).
- h. VFDs, except those used in a duty/standby configuration, shall include FVNR bypass starters. The bypass shall include drive output and bypass circuit contactors and a drive input service switch (three-contactor bypass systems may utilize finger-safe disconnect fuses upstream of VFD to guarantee isolation beyond input contactor). Control of the bypass shall utilize a VFD-Off-Bypass selector switch with pilot lights for status. Test functionality shall be provided to test operation of the power converter while operating the motor in bypass.
- i. Duty/standby configurations shall utilize two VFDs without bypasses—one each for both the duty and standby motors.
- j. The following devices shall be mounted on the front of the VFD enclosure:
  - i. A power-on pilot light that indicates that the VFD is being supplied by the incoming power feeder.
  - ii. A fault pilot light indicating the VFD is in the fault mode.
  - iii. A keypad display. The display shall be a backlit LCD type and shall be in complete English words for programming, fault diagnostics, and monitoring (LED and alpha-numeric codes are not acceptable). A minimum of three monitoring values shall be capable of being displayed at all times such as output frequency (Hz), motor speed (RPM), and motor current (A).
  - iv. A Hand-Off-Auto selector switch. In the auto position, VFD start/stop shall be controlled from a BMS contact closure, and motor speed shall be determined by a BMS speed-setting analog signal. In the hand position, motor speed shall be determined by manual one-touch keypad control or via a potentiometer mounted on the enclosure front.
  - v. A padlock-able input circuit breaker interlocked with the enclosure door.
  - vi. When bypass is required, a drive service switch (or finger-safe disconnect fuses) and a VFD-Off-Bypass selector switch with pilot lights.
- k. VFDs shall have the following minimum inputs and outputs:

- i. Inputs
    - 1. One analog input that can accept the following BMS speed setting signals:
      - a. 0-10VDC
      - b. 4-20mA
    - 2. Digital inputs for the following:
      - a. A BMS dry contact start/stop signal for two-wire control.
      - b. Safety interlocks such as freeze and smoke shut-down.
  - ii. Outputs
    - 1. One analog 4-20mA output signal for operating speed feedback input to the BMS that can be programmed to output frequency (Hz) or motor speed (RPM).
    - 2. Dry contact outputs for the following inputs to the BMS:
      - a. Motor running
      - b. Fault and warning indication (over temperature or over current)
      - c. Hand-Off-Auto selector switch status (closed contact in Auto).
- I. All VFDs to have the following adjustments:
- i. Three (3) programmable critical frequency lockout ranges to prevent the VFD from operating the load continuously at an unstable speed. The lockout range must be fully adjustable, from 0 to full speed.
  - ii. Two (2) PID Set point controllers shall be standard in the drive, allowing pressure or flow signals to be connected to the VFD, using the microprocessor in the VFD for the closed-loop control. The VFD shall have 250 ma of 24 VDC auxiliary power and be capable of loop powering a transmitter supplied by others. The PID set point shall be adjustable from the VFD keypad, analog inputs, or over the communications bus. There shall be two independent parameter sets for the PID controller and the capability to switch between the parameter sets via a digital input, serial communications or from the keypad. The independent parameter sets are typically used for night setback, switching between summer and winter set points, etc.
  - iii. There shall be an independent, second PID loop that can utilize the second analog input and modulate one of the analog outputs to maintain the set point of an independent process (i.e. valves, dampers, etc.). All set points, process variables, etc. to be accessible from the BAS network.
  - iv. Two (2) programmable analog inputs shall accept current or voltage signals.
  - v. Two (2) programmable analog outputs (0-20ma or 4-20 ma). The outputs may be programmed to output proportional to Frequency, Motor Speed, Output Voltage, Output Current, Motor Torque, Motor Power (kW), DC Bus voltage, Active Reference, Active Feedback, and other data.
  - vi. Six (6) programmable digital inputs for maximum flexibility in interfacing with external devices. All digital inputs shall be programmable to initiate upon an application or removal of 24VDC.
  - vii. Three (3) programmable, digital Form-C relay outputs. The relay outputs shall include programmable on and off delay times and adjustable hysteresis. The relays shall be rated for maximum switching current 8 amps at 24 VDC and 0.4 A at 250 VAC; Maximum voltage 300 VDC and 250 VAC; continuous current rating of 2 amps RMS. Outputs shall be true Form-C type contacts; open collector outputs are not acceptable. Drives that have only two (2) relay outputs must provide an option card that provides additional relay outputs.
  - viii. The VFD control shall include a programmable time delay for VFD start and a keypad indication that this time delay is active
  - ix. Seven (7) programmable preset speeds.
  - x. Two independently adjustable accel and decel ramps with 1 – 1800 seconds adjustable time ramps.
  - xi. The VFD shall include a motor flux optimization circuit that will automatically reduce applied motor voltage to the motor to optimize energy consumption and

- reduce audible motor noise. The VFD shall have selectable software for optimization of motor noise, energy consumption, and motor speed control.
- xii. The VFD shall include a carrier frequency control circuit that reduces the carrier frequency based on actual VFD temperature that allows higher carrier frequency settings without derating the VFD.
  - xiii. The VFD shall include password protection against parameter changes.
- m. Each VFD shall be BTL listed. Each VFD shall come complete with BACnet/IP connection tied into the BAS; BACnet/MSTP/IP connection is acceptable if BacNet/IP is not an option on the VFD.
  - n. VFD/bypass system shall operate at +10% and -15% line voltage tolerance without contactor chatter or loss of contactor control.
  - o. The VFD shall be of construction that allows operation in a pollution Degree 3 environment. The VFD shall meet IEC 664-1 and NEMA ICS 1 Standards. VFD's that are only rated for Pollution Degree 2 environment shall not be allowed.
  - p. Single phase protection in bypass shall prevent operation of the motor in bypass while a single phase condition exists. The system shall be capable of powering the motor in VFD mode during single phase power conditions.
  - q. There shall be a built-in time clock in the VFD keypad. The clock shall have a battery backup with 10 years minimum life span. The clock shall be used to date and time stamp faults and record operating parameters at the time of fault. VFD programming shall be held in non-volatile memory and is not dependent on battery power
  - r. VFDs shall include momentary power loss ride-through and fault restart functions that allow the VFD to continue operation without the need for attended restart. In the power loss ride-through, the drive shall use the energy generated by the rotating load as a power source for all electronic circuits. When a run signal is present, VFDs shall automatically restart and catch a spinning load when return-to-normal conditions occur.
  - s. VFDs shall be capable of starting into rotating loads spinning in either direction and returning motor to set speed in proper direction without damage to controller, motor, or load.
  - t. The VFD manufacturer shall provide start-up service for each VFD and training commensurate with the scale of the project. Training shall consist 8 hours of classroom training.
  - u. Factory-trained, 24/7 service technicians must be located within a two-hour drive time.
  - v. The VFD shall be warranted by the manufacturer for a period of 36 months from date of start-up. The warranty shall include parts, labor, travel costs, and living expenses incurred to provide factory authorized service.

#### 14. Boilers

- a. Boilers for individual buildings shall be:
  - i. Steam:
    - 1. Cleaver Brooks, Weil-McClain, Bryan, or approved equal
  - ii. Hot Water non-condensing:
    - 1. Cleaver Brooks, Weil-McClain, Bryan, or approved equal
  - iii. Hot Water Condensing:
    - 1. Lochinvar, Patterson Kelley, Aerco, or approved equal.
- b. Boilers for the Universities Central Plants shall be discussed and approved during the design process.
  - i. All Central Plant boilers and associated burners shall be factory tested. Tests for Central Plant boilers shall be witnessed by University Mechanical Engineer assigned to project and Operations Lead Mechanical Engineer.
- c. Boilers shall be natural gas fired for all Campuses unless otherwise directed.
- d. Steam and non-condensing boilers shall have a minimum efficiency of 81% AFUE.
- e. Condensing boilers shall have a minimum efficiency of 95%.
  - i. Designs using condensing boilers shall incorporate condensing under all operating conditions.

- f. The condensing type hot water and steam boilers shall be provided with condensate drain pipes. Provide cooling means of boiler drain to allow temperature of condensate to meet Code as it is discharged to sanitary drain.
- g. Condensing boilers where installed in multiples, shall come complete with a packaged control system. The boiler control system shall be able to operate the boiler system on a stand-alone basis, but shall be connected to the campus BAS via a BacNet connection. The campus system shall be able to control all actions of the boiler system
- h. All mechanical rooms with hot water and steam boilers shall be approved and stamped by State's Labor and Industry Division. The Professional shall provide drawings with necessary clearances and other requirements for the L&I approval.
- i. Boilers and Chillers shall be located in separate mechanical rooms as per the latest International Mechanical Codes.
- j. Boiler shut down switches shall be installed at each door into the boiler room.
- k. Boiler Flues
  - i. An induced draft fan shall be provided when one of the following conditions apply:
    - 1. Wind-produced downdrafts due to the location or configuration of the building occur which can or will adversely impact the performance/operation of the equipment.
    - 2. The routing of the metal vent system is such that a high-pressure drop will occur which exceeds the natural draft of the vent system and the available pressure of the burner.

#### 15. Water Cooled Chillers

- a. The boilers and the chillers shall be located in separate mechanical rooms as per the latest International Mechanical Codes
- b. Chiller type and manufacturer shall be determined on a project specific basis. Direction shall be provided by University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
- c. All new chillers shall incorporate VFD control.
  - i. Energy/heat recovery shall be investigated for preheat of domestic water, or additional heating for the hot water reheat system.
- d. All water cooled chillers shall be factory tested. A certified test report shall be provided indicating chiller matches performance requirements at design conditions and partial load design conditions. Tests for Central Plant chillers shall be witnessed by University Personnel as directed by University Project Manager.

#### 16. Air Cooled Chillers

- a. Chillers shall be Trane, Carrier, Johnson Controls or Daikin.
- b. Chillers shall be selected shall be high efficiency and maximized to provide as low a kw/ton as possible when considering the life-cycle of the system.
- c. Access to roof mounted chillers shall be via a stairwell to the roof or at a minimum via a "ship's ladder". Rigging points shall be provided to allow for compressors, motors and other pieces of equipment shall be provided to aid in maintenance of the unit.
- d. All air cooled chillers over 100 tons shall be factory tested. A certified test report shall be provided indicating chiller matches performance requirements at design conditions and partial load design conditions.

#### 17. Cooling Towers

- a. Cooling towers shall be BAC, Marley or Evapco.
- b. All distribution pans shall be stainless steel, or other material to provide added protection against pre-mature failure. Professional shall coordinate final selection with University Mechanical Engineer.
- c. Fans shall be direct drive with VFD control.
- d. Towers shall come complete to allow for free cooling operation down to 0°F.
- e. Shall be provided with ships ladders, landings at each access point, catwalks, railings etc. to allow proper access to all tower components.

- f. Use of FRP or other plastic tower material may be considered, use shall require approval of University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
  - g.
18. Heat Exchangers
- a. For steam to hot water provide a U-Tube type exchanger similar to Bell and Gossett model SU.
    - i. Steam inlet pipe size shall match the inlet opening size.
  - b. For condenser water free cooling provide plate and frame type.
  - c. All heat exchangers must meet ASME standards for temperature and pressure.
  - d. Other allowed manufacturers shall be Armstrong, Envirosep and approved equals.
19. Air Handling Units
- a. Design drawings shall indicate all sections of air handling units. This shall either be in the equipment schedule or in a detail.
  - b. Modular indoor/outdoor
    - i. Air Handling Units shall be Trane, Carrier, JCI or Daikin.
    - ii. Direct drive fans, and fan arrays are preferred.
    - iii. Outdoor units shall be double wall with a minimum of 20 gauge inside panel and minimum 16 gauge outdoor panel. Where custom outdoor units are required 18 gauge and 14 gauge shall be used for indoor and outdoor panels, respectively.
    - iv. Casings:
      - 1. Insulation shall be 2" expanded foam and have insulation rated at R-13.
      - 2. No through-metal.
    - v. Drain pans shall be stainless steel.
    - vi. Piping to outdoor units shall be contained in "dog houses" and fed from below, piping exposed on roof shall be kept to an absolute minimum.
    - vii. Access sections shall be 24" minimum. Sections smaller than this shall be approved by University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
    - viii. Units greater than 10,000 CFM shall be provided with service lights in fan, coil access, filter access and mixing sections.
  - c. Custom air handling units (indoor, outdoor and packaged)
    - i. Custom Units shall be Buffalo, Mammoth, Ventrol, Haakon, Governair, or approved equal.
    - ii. Custom units shall meet the modular unit requirements with the following upgrades.
      - 1. Casing shall meet ASHRAE 111, low leakage Class 6 with less than 1.0% leakage at 8.0-inches w.g. pressure.
        - a. Custom air handling units shall be factory tested for operation and for leakage. Testing reports shall be provided to Engineer of Record and Owner prior to installation.
  - d. Packaged Rooftop Units
    - i. Rooftop Units shall be Trane, Carrier, York or Daikan
  - e. Make-up Air Units
    - i. Make-up air units shall be Aaon, Addison, Reznor, DesertAire or approved equal.
  - f. Energy recovery is required on all air handling units with at least 50% outdoor air as well as directed by ASHRAE 90.1. If it is not feasible to have energy recovery, it shall be agreed to by the University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
  - g. Air-side energy recovery shall be considered on every project.
20. Ductless Mini-Split System Air Conditioning Units
- a. Split Systems shall be Mitsubishi, Daikin, Sanyo, LG or approved equal.
  - b. Split systems used on the Oakland Campus shall require written approval of the University Mechanical Engineer assigned to the project.
  - c. Where needed provide a small integral condensate pump to allow cooling coil condensate to be discharged to the nearest drain.

#### 21. Computer Room Air Conditioning Units

- a. CRAC Units shall be Leibert, or approved equal.
- b. A second means of cooling shall be provided. City water shall NOT be used as a means of cooling.
- c. All controls for rooms containing Leibert units shall be done by control modules provided by Leibert. A Bacnet interface shall be provided by Leibert to allow monitoring, alarming and trending.

#### 22. Fan Coil Units

- a. Fan Coils shall be by Trane, Airtherm, Carrier, Daikan, JCI/York, Greenheck, Krueger, Enviro-Tec or approved equal.
- b. Units shall be direct drive with ECM Motors. Provide units will speed adjustment.

#### 23. Louvers

- a. All louvers shall be drainable-blade type. Point of water penetration shall be at a minimum of 800 fpm.
- b. Minimum 4" deep, 500fpm velocity on intake louvers with no more than 0.10" wg static pressure drop.
- c. Louver color to be selected by University Architect.
- d. Louver to be by Ruskin, Carnes, Greenheck, NCA, Arrow, United Enertech or approved equal.
- e. On large louvers, provide means of internal draining of plenum.

#### 24. Humidifiers

- a. Humidifiers shall be Dri-Steem, Armstrong, Nortec or approved equal.
- b. Shall be stainless steel to maximize life of humidifier.

#### 25. Air Coils

- a. All air coils shall be constructed of aluminum fins mechanically bonded to copper tubing.
- b. All air coils shall be hydrostatically tested in the factory at a minimum pressure of 250 psig for a 150 psig chilled/hot water system and 400 psig for a 300 psig chilled water system.
  - i. Cooling Coil Sizing Criteria:
    1. Air coils for cooling service shall be sized for a maximum face velocity of 500 feet per minute.
    2. Each cooling coil shall be provided with the coil manufacturer's stainless steel insulated drain pan. The drain pan shall be pitched toward the drain.
  - ii. Air coils for heating service shall be sized for a maximum face velocity of 800 feet per minute.
  - iii. Cooling coils shall be designed for chilled water temperature differential of 15°F. Coils shall be provided with turbulators for turbulent flow of water for higher heat transfer. Maximum chilled water pressure drop shall not exceed 12 ft. wg.
  - iv. For large air-handling units, size cooling coils with 10% extra cooling capacity, minimum 6 rows and maximum 10 fins per inch shall be provided. The Professional shall indicate inlet and outlet air conditions at the coils on the construction drawing schedules.
  - v. Chilled water coils shall be piped in a counter-flow arrangement.
- c. Steam Coils
  - i. Steam coils used for preheat service shall be integral face-and-bypass type when mixed air temperatures are below 40°F.
    1. Coils shall be LJ Wing Coils or approved equal.
  - ii. Steam coil shall be designed to provide for proper drainage of the steam condensate and shall be self-draining type.
  - iii. Provide clearance below the bottom of the coil for proper installation of the steam trap and associated steam condensate return piping.

- d. Cooling coil condensate drainpipe traps shall be a minimum of twice (2 times) the fan static pressure in inches.
  - e. Auxiliary drain pans shall be installed above the ceilings as per the International Mechanical Code. An auxiliary drain pan is not required for appliances that automatically shut down in case the condensate pan is provided with a high limit condensate switch.
26. Chilled Beams
- a. Chilled beams shall be Trox, Semco, Price or approved equal.
27. Fin Tube Radiators
- a. Active lengths shall be kept to a maximum of 6'.
28. Radiant Heaters
- a. Radian Heaters shall be by Marley, Runtal, or approved equals.

END OF SECTION



**UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH  
MECHANICAL DESIGN STANDARDS**

**SECTION 239000 – HVAC INSTRUMENTATION AND CONTROLS**

1. General:

- a. The majority of buildings in Oakland Campus have Automated Logic controls that are connected to the University's building automation system. The University has negotiated pricing with Automated Logic (phone 412-444-0440) for DDC controls on a unit by unit basis. The unit prices are designed to cover all typical mechanical installations and include design, drawings, project management, materials and programming. This price does not include installation of the controls and control wiring. The Professional shall specify on the drawings and specifications - The ATC bidders shall carry the Automated Logic price in their bids as a separate line item as well as obtain installation price from the following ATC electrical sub-contractors:
  - (1) Automated Logic
  - (2) Bronder Technical Services
  - (3) Hoffman Electric
  - (4) Supply Electric
  - (5) Miller Electric
- b. The Professional shall work with Automated Logic right from the Design Development stage of a project to provide I/O summary of control points. Automated Logic shall furnish control drawings and construction cost estimates. The Professional is responsible for developing the sequence of operation based on his design.
- c. In Oakland Campus the facilities operators will interface to the system via the existing Automated Logic front-end graphic system. The proposed system will include all hardware and software required to program the controllers to seamlessly integrate to the existing Automated Logic System.
- d. For other campuses, the Professional shall develop his own construction drawings complete with I/O summary of all points, a control schematic, the sequence of operation and a flow diagram for each piece of equipment with the help of any of the control suppliers listed under Acceptable Manufacturers.
- e. All controls shall be DDC with electric actuation unless otherwise specified. The pneumatic actuation shall be employed with the written approval of the University.
  - (1) Pneumatic actuation shall be employed only if electric actuation is not feasible.
- f. The DDC system shall integrate multiple building functions including mechanical equipment supervision and control, alarm management, energy management and historical data collection.
- g. Each building shall have DDC controllers that act on a stand-alone basis to provide control for each individual mechanical piece of equipment. The DDC controllers shall be networked via campus-wide data communications to tie all control and monitor functions back to the Central Workstations located in Posvar Hall and the Eureka Building for Oakland Campus. They shall be tied back to the head end systems at the respective branch campuses.

- h. The ATC sub-contractor shall be responsible for coordinating tie-ins, detailed point list containing proper points, names and addresses that will allow the campus-wide EMS system to read and write all required information between the new and the existing control systems.
  - i. Provide a complete automatic temperature control system including all sensors, actuators, end devices, display devices, stand-alone local control panels, network subsystems, all communication and application software, all power and control wiring and all computer equipment consoles as required by the drawings and specifications. The system shall be modular in nature and shall permit expansion of both capacity and functionality. If a building does not have an existing computer terminal, the contractor must provide one.
  - j. All controllers in a building shall be networked together. At least one controller in each building shall have a local keypad and display if a personal computer operator workstation is not available.
  - k. The new DDC system must be able to seamlessly integrate to the existing campus wide system via BACnet, level 4 interoperability. The proposed system will include front-end graphics, all hardware and software required to program the controllers and provide all work required to create necessary graphics, trends, schedules and alarms.
  - l. Provide a complete set of submittals, start-up and testing services and training to the owners as described herein.
  - m. Provide owners manuals, complete operating instructions and spare parts lists as described herein.
  - n. Provide As-built drawings.
2. Acceptable Manufacturers:
- a. The acceptable Automatic Temperature Control provider shall be limited to:
    - (1) Oakland Campus
      - (a) Automated Logic
    - (2) Johnstown Campus
      - (a) Schneider I/A Series Controls
    - (3) Bradford Campus
      - (a) Johnson Controls Inc. – Metasys
      - (b) Automated Logic
    - (4) Titusville Campus
      - (a) Johnson Controls Inc. – Metasys
    - (5) Greensburg Campus
      - (a) Automated Logic
  - b. In the event that two or more Contractors are bidding then each ATC Bidder must submit with their bid a statement of compliance. This statement of compliance will become

part of the contract documents. This statement of compliance will list each paragraph number of the ATC specifications with one of the following statements:

Comply – which mean that the bidder completely complies with the requirements of the paragraph.

Comply with Exception – which means that the bidder complies, but not in the manner described in the paragraph. The bidder will describe how their system meets the specification.

Does Not Comply – which means that the bidder does not meet the specifications. The bidder will then describe how they intend to provide whatever is necessary to meet the specification.

3. DDC Product Specifications:

- a. Peer-to-Peer Network: Operator workstations and DDC controllers shall directly reside on a network such that communications may be executed directly between DDC controllers, directly between workstations and between DDC controllers and workstations on a peer-to-peer basis.
- b. DDC controllers shall be stand-alone, microprocessor-based, multi-tasking, multi-user, real-time digital control processors consisting of modular hardware with plug-in enclosed processors, communication controllers, power supplies and input/output point modules. Controller size shall be sufficient to fully meet the requirements of the specification and the attached points list. Each DDC controller shall have sufficient memory, a minimum of 1 megabyte, to support its own operating system and databases, including energy management applications, alarm management applications including custom alarm messages for each level alarm for each point in the system; historical/trend data for points specified; maintenance support applications, custom processes, dial-up communications, and manual override monitoring.
- c. Remote application specific controllers (ASCs) shall extend the performance and capacity of the DDC controller. Each ASC shall operate as a stand-alone controller capable of performing its specified control responsibilities independently of other controllers in the network. Each ASC shall be a microprocessor-based, multi-tasking, real-time digital control processor. Controllers shall accommodate point databases; operating programs, local alarming and local trending and non-volatile EEPROM or a minimum of 72-hour battery backup shall be provided. All programs shall be field-customized to meet the user's exact control strategy requirements. All ASCs shall be networked together with the DDC controller and the campus wide system.
- d. Furnish one portable operator terminal, which shall plug directly into DDC panel if one does not exist with the Campus Facilities Management. The terminal shall have the following features:
  - (1) Operator's Terminal shall provide keypad/display and shall mount directly on DDC controller in Mechanical Room. Provide a user-friendly, English language-prompted interface for quick access to system information, not codes requiring look-up charts.

OR

(2) The portable operator's terminal shall be a laptop personal computer that can access all DDC controllers and application specific controllers located in the building, display all point, selected point and alarm point summaries, display trending and totalization information, and command, change setpoint, enable/disable any system point. The portable operator's terminal shall come complete with Windows XP Professional operating system and all software, cables, hardware necessary to connect to the DDC controllers.

e. If a portable operator terminal does not exist with the Campus Facility Management, a personal computer operator workstation may be provided for command entry, information management, network alarms management and database management functions with the University's approval. This PC shall be capable of monitoring all the DDC controllers on the network. If a workstation does exist in the building, graphic displays for each system shall be created and added to the campus system at the building workstation and the Central Campus System Operator's Workstations.

(1) Dynamic color graphic displays shall include floor plan displays and system schematics for each piece of mechanical equipment, including air handling units, chilled water systems and hot water boiler systems, shall be provided by the BAS contractor as indicated in the point I/O summary of the specification to optimize system performance analysis and speed alarm recognition.

(2) Multiple-level password access protection shall be provided to allow the user/manager to limit workstation control, display and data base manipulation capabilities as deemed appropriate for each user, based upon an assigned password.

(3) If a workstation is necessary, it shall consist of a color monitor, personal computer with minimum 512 MB RAM, minimum 40 GB hard drive, controller, 3-1/2" diskette drive, mouse and 101-key enhanced keyboard. Personal computer shall include a minimum 2 GHz processor and include a rewriteable CD ROM for system backup. The display provided for system operation shall have a diagonal screen measurement of no less than 15" and a minimum display resolution of no less than 640 x 480 pixels. Separate controls shall be provided for color, contrasts and brightness. The screen shall be non-reflective.

#### 4. Field Devices and Equipment

##### a. General:

(1) Temperature transmitters, differential pressure transmitters, relative humidity transmitters, water sensors in thermal wells, etc., shall consist of two components, the sensing element and the transmitter. The transmitter shall be capable of converting the resistance of the sensing element to the appropriate 4-20 mAdc signal which shall represent the measured range. Unless otherwise specified, the accuracy shall be  $\pm 0.5$ .

##### b. Temperature Sensors:

(1) The sensing element shall be a 100 ohm RTD type with a 4-20 mAdc transmitter. The accuracy shall be  $\pm 0.5$  degrees.

- (2) For classroom and office spaces with room thermostat, provide setpoint adjustment and override switch to allow switching from unoccupied to occupied mode for a timed period programmed by software. Do **not** include a room temperature display unless otherwise directed.
- c. Static Pressure Sensors:
- (1) Static pressure sensors shall be Setra or approved equal. The sensors shall have a  $\pm .25$ " w.g. range for space applications and they shall have a range of 0 to 1" w.g. or 0 to 5" w.g. for duct applications unless noted otherwise. The sensors shall provide a 4 to 20 milli-amp output and they shall have an end-to-end accuracy of  $\pm .25\%$ .
- d. Control Valves:
- (1) The Professional shall size the control valves based on approximately 30% pressure drop of the available system pressure differential in consultation with the University. The Professional shall provide schedule of control valves with  $C_v$  values on the drawings.
- (2) Globe Pattern:
- (a) Up to 2 inches: Bronze body, bronze trim, rising stem, renewable composition disc, screwed ends with back seating capacity repackable under pressure.
- (b) Over 2 inches: Iron body, bronze trim, rising stem, plug-type disc, flanged ends, renewable seat and disc.
- (3) Butterfly Pattern (High Performance): Iron body, bronze disc, resilient replaceable seat for service to 250 degrees F. wafer or long ends, extended neck.
- (4) Electric Actuators: Size to operate with sufficient reserve power to provide smooth modulating action or 2-position action. The automatic control valve actuators shall be oil immersed gear train types with a metal housing for all valves that are 2.5 inches up to 6 inches. Spring return models shall have a minimum of 220 pound inches of torque. On valves 6 inches or greater, the actuator shall be an industrial type gear train with 800 to 1300 pound inches of torque. Provide solid state positioning relays for all modulating actuators. Direct mount actuators shall not be acceptable on valves 2.5 inches or larger. Provide spring return type for all applications with outside air.
- (4) Pneumatic Actuators: Rolling diaphragm, spring loaded, and piston type with spring range of 3 to 8 psig or 8 to 13 psig, as required. Valves shall spring return to normal position as indicated on freeze, fire or temperature protection. (These shall be used only in very limited applications).
- a. Use only where approved and directed by University.
- (6) Hydronic Systems: Refer to Section 230523 for valve requirements.
- (7) Two-way valves shall have equal percentage characteristics, three way valves linear characteristics. Size two way valve operators to close valves against

pump shut off head. Three way control valves may be used only with the University's approval.

e. Automatic Dampers:

- (1) Performance: Test in accordance with AMCA 500.
- (2) Type: Opposed blade.
- (3) Frames: Aluminum riveted, with corner reinforcement.
- (4) Blades: Aluminum, maximum blade size 6 inches wide, 48 inches long, attached to minimum 1/2 inch shafts with set screws.
- (5) Blade Seals: Neoprene mechanically attached, field replaceable.
- (6) Jamb Seals: Flexible metal.
- (7) Shaft Bearings: Oil impregnated sintered bronze or graphite impregnated nylon sleeve, with thrust washers at bearings.
- (8) Linkage Bearings: Oil impregnated sintered bronze or graphite impregnated nylon.
- (9) Leakage: Less than 6 CFM per square foot of damper area at 1.0 inches w.g. static pressure.
- (10) Maximum Pressure Differential: 4 inches w.g.
- (11) Temperature Limits: -40 to 200 degrees F.
- (12) Electric Damper Operators: The automatic control damper actuators shall be oil immersed gear train type with a metal housing for all dampers that are 8 square feet area or more. Provide solid state positioning relays for all modulating actuators. Spring return models shall have a minimum of 90 pound inches of torque and non-spring return shall have a minimum of 220 pound inches of torque. Direct mount actuators shall be gear train type and shall be limited to dampers that are less than 8 square feet. Direct mount actuators shall have a minimum of 90 pound inch of torque. The actuators shall be spring return types for all outside air and relief air applications.
- (13) Pneumatic Damper Actuators: Provide proportional control with sufficient power for air velocities 20 percent greater than maximum design velocity and to provide tight seal against maximum system pressures. Provide spring return for two position control and for fail safe operation. Type shall be rolling diaphragm piston with adjustable stops. (These shall be used only where approved by the University.)

f. Air Compressor and Air Dryer

- (1) Provide duplex belt driven air compressor and tank unit with belt guard, silencers, flexible connections and filters. Limit compressor to 30 percent running time.

- (2) All air compressors shall be provided with a filter/dryer.
    - (a) Air dryer shall be self-contained, refrigerated, compressed air dryer complete with heat exchanger, moisture separator and bypass piping.
  - (3) The air compressor and the dryer shall be connected to the emergency power.
- g. Control Transformers
- (1) All control transformers will be sized appropriately and supplied with circuit breakers on the secondary side of the transformer.
- h. Apparatus Control Panels (ACP)
- (1) All electrical, electronic or pneumatic equipment shall be installed in suitable panels or enclosures to protect the equipment from environment, dirt, rain, vandalism, and accidental damage.
  - (2) All ACPs shall be fully enclosed cabinets, all-steel construction and shall meet the NEMA requirements for the location installed. All ACPs shall have hinged doors and a locking latch. ACP enclosures shall be NEMA 1 for indoor application, ACP enclosure for outdoor application shall be NEMA 4 or NEMA 3. ACP enclosures for a parking garage, dish wash room or loading dock shall be NEMA 4x (stainless steel or fiberglass).
  - (3) All ACPs shall be keyed alike. A means of storing control system instructions and drawings shall be provided inside cabinet for future reference. Cabinet and door shall be finished with two (2) coats of paint.
  - (4) Pre-wired apparatus control panels shall be provided for each HVAC unit and each system by the DDC system supplier. ACPs shall include all electronic control chassis, relays, switches, transformers, time clocks, interval timers, pilot lights, set point adjustments, and temperature indication meters. All controls requiring adjustment shall be located in ACPs.
  - (5) The 120VAC power supplying the control panel shall be filtered via an electronic line filter. The line filter shall be sized appropriately and be rated for industrial use.
  - (6) Each ACP shall be provided with an isolation valve exterior of the panel to disconnect the ACP from its main instrument air supply and a fused disconnect switch to isolate the line side of all electric circuits within the ACP.
  - (7) Instrumentation and control (I&C) diagrams for ACPS shall be provided. Drawings shall show complete I&C diagrams and the location of each piece of equipment within the panel for all equipment furnished and shall be posted in the control panel. Condensed operating instructions explaining preventative maintenance procedures, methods of checking the system for normal safe operation, and procedures for safely starting and stopping the system manually shall be prepared in typed form.
  - (8) All ACPs shall be provided with laminated nameplates located on the exterior of the panel.
  - (9) All equipment within the panel shall be labeled.

- (10) All wires and pneumatic tubing within the panel shall be numbered and labeled on both ends of their terminations. All wire and pneumatic tubing shall be run in wire channel or neatly run in vertical and horizontal lines using wire ties and wire tie mounts.

i. New installations of steam, electric and chilled water meters (Oakland Campus).

- (1) All projects including the new installation of steam, electric and/or chilled water meters must be tied into the existing Automated Logic campus meter network via BACnet level 4 interoperability.
- (2) The facilities operators will interface to the system via the existing Automated Logic front-end graphic system. The proposed system will include any hardware and software required to program the controllers to seamlessly integrate to the existing Automated Logic System. All new meters shall be incorporated into the existing reporting packages.
- (3) Automated Logic, the campus wide EMS contractor shall include all work required to create the necessary reports, graphics, trends, and alarms. Automated Logic shall include a detailed points list containing proper points, names and addressing that will allow the campus wide EMS to read and write all required information between the two systems.

j. Miscellaneous:

- (1) Current Sensing Relays: All fans and pumps shall be provided with a current sensing relays for the purpose of remote status reporting.
- (2) Current Sensing Relay (VFD): For fans and pumps with VFDs the setpoint for the current switch shall be microprocessor controlled. Manually adjusted set points are not acceptable. Provide a solid state sensor with normally open contacts with an output rating of .5A at 24VAC/DC. Unit shall be rated for NEMA 1, 12, or 13. Sensor shall include output status LED.

k. Gauges: All gauges shall be provided with snubbers.

5. Demolition

- a. All existing obsolete controllers, thermostats, wire, tubing, etc shall be removed. Any pneumatic tubing that is not, or can not be removed shall be plugged with the proper pneumatic fitting.
- b. Where thermostats, wall sensors, etc have been removed, the walls shall be patched or a blank cover plate shall be provided in place of the removed sensor.
- c. Any equipment that is removed shall be returned to the University.

6. General Installation

- a. Mount outdoor reset thermostats and outdoor sensing transmitters indoors, with sensing elements outdoors. Provide sun shield for sensing element.



- b. Provide guards on thermostats in entrance hallways and other public areas.

## 7. Wiring Installation

- a. **Run all line voltage control wiring in conduit.** Installation shall be in accordance with the National Electric Code and the requirements specified in Division 16. Conduit shall be run in a neat and workmanlike manner and run parallel and perpendicular to building surfaces and lines.
- b. All low voltage power wiring shall be as described below:
  - (1) **Run low voltage wiring in conduit.**
    - (a) Minimum conduit size shall be  $\frac{3}{4}$ "
    - (b) Minimum control wire size shall be #18 AWG.
  - (2) All control wiring shall be separated from any power wiring. **No** control wiring 24 vdc or less shall be run with 120 vac or above.
  - (3) All communication wiring shall be run in separate conduit from control or power wiring.
  - (4) All wire shall be numbered or labeled on both ends of its terminations.
- c. All conduit shall be purple.

## 8. Pneumatic Installation

- a. All pneumatic control air piping shall be as described below:
  - (1) Copper Tubing: ASTM B280, Type L, seamless, hard drawn or annealed.
    - (a) Fittings: ANSI/ASME B16.22, wrought copper.
    - (b) Joints: ANSI/ASTM B32 95-5 tin antimony.
  - (2) Polyethylene Tubing: Black, flame retardant, virgin polyethylene, conforming to modified ASTM D1693 test.
    - (a) Fittings: UL approved rod or forged brass rated to 200 psig at 100 degrees F.
    - (b) Joints: Compression or barbed type.
- b. Mount compressor and tank unit on vibration isolation consisting of springs with minimum one inch deflection and one inch clearance to floor.
- c. Supply instrument air from compressor units through filter, pressure reducing valve, pressure relief valve, with pressure gages and shut off and bypass valves.
- d. Use copper tubing in mechanical rooms, where subject to damage or temperatures in excess of 200 degrees F, where adjacent to heating pipes passing through common sleeve and where not accessible. In mechanical rooms, bundled plastic tubing in conduit may be used. Plastic tubing without conduit may be used where tubing is concealed and accessible.

- e. All tubing shall be numbered or labeled on both ends of its terminations.
- f. Tubing shall be installed in neat and workmanlike manner and run in parallel and perpendicular lines to building surfaces and lines.

9. Training

- a. The ATC Contractor shall provide competent instructors to give full instruction to designated personnel in the adjustment, operation and maintenance of the system installed rather than a general training course. All information and documentation necessary to do this work must be provided.
  - (1) For new buildings and buildings with new systems, provide 40 hours training for Owner's operating personnel.
  - (2) For additions to existing control systems, provide 16 hours of training for the current project.
  - (3) Training sessions shall be coordinated with University Maintenance Personnel a minimum of five (5) working days prior to the training session.
- b. Training shall be during multiple sessions. Campus Facilities Personnel shall participate in the DDC system check-out performed by the ATC Contractor's field technicians. Campus Facilities Personnel shall verify wiring terminations and accuracy of each analog and binary I/O point. All Contractor written or custom programming will be displayed and demonstrated to Campus Facilities Personnel. The ATC Contractor shall detail warranty requirements and length, identify components replaceable by Campus Facilities Personnel and troubleshooting procedures for those components, and pricing and availability including sources for each component upon expiration of the warranty. Approximately half the formal training shall be conducted prior to final checkout. The other half of the training shall be completed after project completion. The formal training shall include:
  - (1) Explanation of drawings, operations and maintenance manuals.
  - (2) Walk-through of the job to locate control components.
  - (3) Comprehensive DDC controller and ASC operation/function training both hardware and software.
  - (4) Demonstration and hands-on operation of Operator workstation and peripherals.
  - (5) Operator control functions including graphic generation and field panel programming.
  - (6) Operation of portable operator's terminal.
  - (7) Explanation of adjustment, calibration and replacement procedures.

10. Submittals

- a. Provide six (6) copies of submittals for the University's use plus whatever is required

by the Architect/Engineer and Contractor. One set will be given directly to the University's Energy Management Coordinator for review. Installation shall not begin until the submittals have been approved by the University EMS Coordinator and the consulting engineer. Submittal information will include:

- (1) Manufacturer's data sheets indicating model number, pressure/temperature ratings, capacity, methods and materials of construction, installation instructions, and recommended maintenance. General catalog sheets showing a series of the same device is not acceptable unless the specific model is clearly marked.
- (2) Schematic flow diagrams of systems showing fans, pumps, coils, dampers, valves, and other control devices. Label each device with setting or adjustable range of control. Indicate all wiring, clearly, differentiating between factory and field installed wiring. All cables from the panel field devices shall be numbered or labeled uniquely and shall be reflected on the control drawings.
- (3) Flow diagrams for all application programs.
- (4) Details of construction, layout, and location of each control panel, including instruments location in panel and labeling.
- (5) Schedule of control dampers indicating size, leakage rating, and arrangements, pressure drop at design airflow, and number and size of operators required.
- (6) Schedule of control valves indicating system in which the device is to be used, rated capacity, flow coefficient, flow required by device served, actual pressure drop at design flow, size of operator required, and locations where valves are to be installed.
- (7) A complete description of each control sequence.
- (8) Calculations completed to determine size of control air compressor(s) and dryer (s).
- (9) Installing contractor must be a manufacturer's branch office or an authorized representative of the control equipment manufacturer that provides engineering and commissioning of the manufacturers control equipment, submit written confirmation of such authorization from the manufacturer. Indicate in letter of authorization that installing contractor has successfully completed all necessary training required for engineering, installation, and commissioning of equipment and systems to be provided for the project, and that such authorization has been in effect for a period of not less than three years.
- (10) Prior to request for final payment, submit record documents which accurately record actual location of control components including panels, thermostats, wiring, and sensors. Incorporate changes required during installation and start-up.

## 11. Operating and Maintenance Manuals

- a. Furnish six (6) bound operating and maintenance manuals for review and approval prior to substantial completion, performance testing, and training. One set, which will include the drawings in AutoCAD or Visio format, will be given directly to the University's Energy Management Systems Coordinator. Manuals to include the following:
  - (1) A complete set of record control drawings and sequences of operation including setpoints, control settings and adjustments. Schematic flow diagrams of systems showing fans, pumps, coils, dampers, valves, and other control devices. Label each device with setting or adjustable range of control. Indicate all wiring, clearly, differentiating between factory and field installed wiring. All cables from the panel field devices shall be numbered or labeled uniquely and shall be reflected on the control drawings.
  - (2) Details of construction via a floor plan layout including the location of each control panel, controller, control transformer, breakers, low voltage power wiring path, communication wiring path, etc.
  - (3) A description of recommended replacement parts and materials which the owner should stock.
  - (4) A summary of equipment vendors, or location where replacement parts can be purchased.
  - (5) Manufacturer's literature indicating features, materials of construction, and operating limits of installed equipment. (Brochures giving brief descriptions of multiple pieces of control apparatus are not acceptable.)
  - (6) A complete set of as-built control drawings in AutoCAD or Visio format.
  - (7) A system checkout (commissioning) report that will include all hardware points, software points, trends, alarms, reports and programs. The technician shall initial and date each point after they have been verified.
- b. The ATC sub-contractor shall provide a complete laminated set of as-built drawings which will be placed in the main apparatus control panel (ACP) for the project.

## 12. Warranty

- a. All devices and components shall be warranted for a period of two (2) years following the date of final acceptance by the owner. Warranty shall not start until all systems under project are accepted by the owner. No partial warranty shall be permitted.
- b. All system consoles, operator interfaces, DDC controllers, ASCs, ACPs and software shall be warranted for a period of five (5) years following the date of final acceptance by the owner.

- c. This warranty shall include labor and material. Any defects arising during the warranty period shall be corrected without cost to the owner. During the warranty period, the contractor's service personnel shall be available to be physically present at the facility within twenty-four (24) hours for emergency repairs.
- d. The contractor shall consider the possibility of allowing owner's trained maintenance personnel to affect repairs of extremely critical nature, even before the service representative arrives at the site. For this purpose, a stock of necessary spare parts shall be maintained at the facility. If the owner's stock of spare parts is used for in-warranty repair, such stock shall be replenished within ten (10) working days.
- e. All fiber optics shall have a fifteen (15) year parts and labor warranty from the date of final acceptance.

13. Owner Demonstration

- a. The ATC Contractor shall demonstrate each system completely to the University's EMS Coordinator that the systems installed comply with the design concept, shop drawings and sequence of control. The ATC Contractor shall submit, by system, a performance test method and format that indicate the system, the point descriptors for all systems, field values, BAS values, occurrence values, manual automatic controls, status values, etc., for approval to the University's EMS Coordinator. The ATC contractor shall coordinate the acceptance test directly with the University's EMS coordinator.

14. Final Acceptance

- a. Final acceptance shall be determined only after the operation of the complete DDC system for the entire project has been verified by the University EMS Coordinator, the owners operating personnel have received training as specified herein and the final acceptance documents (provided by owner) have been signed by both the contractor and the owner.

15. System Monitoring

- a. Building Central Systems
  - (1) Chillers
    - (a) 5 tons or larger
      - (i) Status
      - (ii) Run time
      - (iii) CWS temp
      - (iv) CWR temp
      - (v) Start stop and alarm
      - (vi) Condenser WS temp (if available)
      - (vii) Condenser WR temp (if available)
    - (b) 1,000 tons or larger
      - (i) All of the above
      - (ii) CWS flow
      - (iii) Condenser WS flow
      - (iv) Evaporator liquor temperature
      - (v) Evaporator pressure and condenser pressure
      - (vi) Running amps

- (vii) Bearing temperatures
  - (viii) Any other requirements of the Senior Mechanical Engineer
- (2) Boilers, Water
- (a) 500,000 Btu/Hr or larger
    - (i) HW supply temp
    - (ii) HW return temp
    - (iii) Start stop and alarm
    - (iv) Lead/lag (if available)
    - (v) BTU usage - instantaneous and cumulative
- (3) Boilers, Steam
- (a) 500,000 Btu/Hr or larger
    - (i) Pressure
    - (ii) Start stop and alarm
    - (iii) Lead/lag (if available)
    - (iv) BTU usage – instantaneous and cumulative
- (4) HW and CW Pumps
- (a) 3 HP or larger
    - (i) Status
    - (ii) Run time
    - (iii) Start stop and alarm
  - (b) 25 HP or larger
    - (i) All of the above
    - (ii) Running amps
    - (iii) Lead/lag (if available)
  - (c) 100 HP or larger
    - (i) All of the above
    - (ii) Winding temperatures (if available)
- (5) Control Air Pressure
- (a) Alarm on loss
- (6) Smoke
- (a) Duct detectors shall be hardwired into the fan starter circuit with a local alarm signal to the BAS and tied into the central fire alarm system (as required by code).
- (7) Air Handling Units
- (a) Less than 1500 CFM
    - (i) No monitoring unless requested
  - (b) 1500 CFM or more
    - (i) Freeze status alarm
    - (ii) Start Stop and alarm
    - (iii) Run time
    - (iv) Supply air temperature
    - (v) Outside air temp
    - (vi) Return air temperature
    - (vii) Duct detector (monitor only)
    - (viii) Supply air temperature remote reset

- (ix) Mixed air temperature
- (x) Mixed air temperature reset
- (c) 10,000 CFM
  - (i) All of the above
  - (ii) Supply air flow
  - (iii) Supply air static pressure
  - (iv) Cooling coil supply air temperature reset
  - (v) Heating coil supply air temperature reset
- (d) 50,000 CFM or larger
  - (i) All of the above
  - (ii) Running amps
- (8) Fume Hoods
  - (a) Face velocity
  - (b) CFM
  - (c) Sash position
  - (d) Hood usage sensor
  - (e) Alarms
  - (f) Any other parameters deemed necessary by the Senior Mechanical Engineer
- (9) Environmental Rooms
  - (a) Rooms temperatures
  - (b) CFM (supply and exhaust)
  - (c) Pressurization
  - (d) Alarms
  - (e) Any other parameters deemed necessary by the Senior Mechanical Engineer
- (10) Steam metering – see section on Steam metering
- (11) Chilled water metering – see section on Chilled water metering
- (12) Variable volume box
  - (a) Damper position
  - (b) Temperature
  - (c) CFM
  - (d) Any other parameters deemed necessary by the Senior Mechanical Engineer

16. Alarms - The following Alarms shall be generated where applicable

- (a) Air Handling Units
  - (1) Supply Fan Failure
  - (2) Return Fan Failure
  - (3) Mixed Air Low Limit
  - (4) Freeze
  - (5) Smoke
  - (6) Filter
  - (7) High Discharge Static Pressure
  - (8) High Discharge Air Temperature
  - (9) Low Discharge Air Temperature
  - (10) VFD Fault

- (b) Chillers
- (1) Low chilled water temperature
  - (2) Low evaporator temperature or pressure
  - (3) High condenser refrigerant pressure
  - (4) Evaporator water flow failure
  - (5) Condenser water flow failure
  - (6) Low oil pressure
  - (7) Low oil temperature
  - (8) High oil temperature
  - (9) High motor winding temperatures
  - (10) Sensor faults
  - (11) Proper operation of unit controls

END OF SECTION