## **SECTION 13100**

# LIGHTNING PROTECTION

## PART 1 – GENERAL

# 1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

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

# 1.2 SUMMARY

A. This Section includes lightning protection for buildings, building elements and building site components.

# 1.3 DEFINITIONS

- A. LPI: Lightning Protection Institute.
- B. NRTL: National recognized testing laboratory.

# 1.4 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: For air terminals and mounting accessories.
- B. Shop Drawings: Detail lightning protection system, including air-terminal locations, conductor routing and connections, and bonding and grounding provisions. Include indications for use of raceway, data on how concealment requirements will be met, and calculations required by NFPA 780 for bonding of grounded and isolated metal bodies.
- C. Certification, signed by Contractor, that roof adhesive for air terminals is approved by manufacturers of both the terminal assembly and the single-ply membrane roofing material.
- D. Field inspection reports indicating compliance with specified requirements.

# 1.5 QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Installer Qualifications: Engage an experienced installer who is an NRTL or who is certified by LPI as a Master Installer/Designer.
- B. Listing and Labeling: As defined in NFPA 780, "Definitions" Article.

## 1.6 COORDINATION

- A. Coordinate installation of lightning protection with installation of other building systems and components, including electrical wiring, supporting structures and building materials, metal bodies requiring bonding to lightning protection components, and building finishes.
- B. Coordinate installation of air terminals attached to roof systems with roofing manufacturer and Installer.

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#### PART 2 - PRODUCTS

# 2.1 MANUFACTURERS

- A. Manufacturers: Subject to compliance with requirements, provide products by one of the following:
  - 1. ERICO International Corporation.
  - 2. Harger Lightning Protection, Inc.
  - 3. Heary Bros. Lightning Protection Co. Inc.
  - 4. Thompson Lightning Protection, Inc.

#### 2.2 LIGHTNING PROTECTION SYSTEM COMPONENTS

- A. Comply with UL 96.
- B. Roof-Mounting Air Terminals: NFPA Class I or II, copper, solid, unless otherwise indicated.
  - 1. Single-Membrane, Roof-Mounting Air Terminals: Designed for single-membrane roof materials.
- C. Stack-Mounting Air Terminals: Solid copper.
- D. Ground Rods, Ground Loop Conductors, and Concrete-Encased Electrodes: Comply with Division 16 Section "Grounding and Bonding" and with standards referenced in this Section.

## PART 3 - EXECUTION

#### 3.1 INSTALLATION

- A. Install lightning protection components and systems according to UL 96A and NFPA 780.
- B. Install conductors with direct paths from air terminals to ground connections. Avoid sharp bends and narrow loops.
- C. Conceal the following conductors:
  - 1. System conductors.
  - 2. Down conductors.
  - 3. Interior conductors.
  - 4. Conductors within normal view from exterior locations at grade within 200 feet (60 m) of building.
  - 5. Notify Architect at least 48 hours in advance of inspection before concealing lightning protection components.
- D. Cable Connections: Use approved exothermic-welded connections for all conductor splices and connections between conductors and other components, except those above

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single-ply membrane roofing.

- E. Air Terminals on Single-Ply Membrane Roofing: Comply with adhesive manufacturer's written instructions.
- F. Bond extremities of vertical metal bodies exceeding 60 feet (18 m) in length to lightning protection components.
- G. A counterpoise installation based on requirements in Division 16 Section "Grounding and Bonding" may be used as a ground loop required by NFPA 780, provided counterpoise conductor meets or exceeds minimum requirements in NFPA 780.
  - 1. Bond ground terminals to counterpoise conductor.
  - 2. Bond grounded metal bodies on building within 12 feet (3.6 m) of ground to counterpoise conductor.
  - 3. Bond grounded metal bodies on building within 12 feet (3.6 m) of roof to counterpoise conductor or to interconnecting loop at eave level or above.
- H. Bond lightning protection components with intermediate-level interconnection loop conductors to grounded metal bodies of building at 60-foot (18-m) intervals.

## 3.2 CORROSION PROTECTION

- A. Do not combine materials that can form an electrolytic couple that will accelerate corrosion in the presence of moisture unless moisture is permanently excluded from junction of such materials.
- B. Use conductors with protective coatings where conditions would cause deterioration or corrosion of conductors.

## 3.3 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

- A. UL Inspection: Provide inspections as required to obtain a UL Master Label for system.
- B. Provide an inspection by an inspector certified by LPI to obtain an LPI certification.

# END OF SECTION