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NOTE: Delete, revise, or add to the text in this section to cover project requirements. Notes are for designer information and will not appear in the final project specification.

This section covers halon fire detection equipment and control systems applicable to KSC and CCAFS.

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 REFERENCES

NOTE: The following references should not be manually edited except to add new references. References not used in the text will automatically be deleted from this section of the project specification.

The publications listed below form a part of this section to the extent referenced:

NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION (NFPA)

- NFPA 12A (1992) Standard on Halon 1301 Fire Extinguishing Systems
- NFPA 70 (2002) National Electrical Code
- NFPA 72A (1987; Errata) Installation, Maintenance, and Use of Local Protective Signaling Systems for Guard's Tour, Fire Alarm and Supervisory Service
- NFPA 72D (1986) Installation, Maintenance and Use of Proprietary Protective Signaling Systems
- NFPA 72E (1990) Standard on Automatic Fire Detectors

1.2 SUBMITTALS

NOTE: Review submittal description (SD) definitions in Section 01330, "Submittals," and edit the following list to reflect only the submittals required for the project. Submittals should be kept to the minimum required for adequate quality control. Include a columnar list of appropriate products and tests beneath each submittal description.

The following shall be submitted in accordance with Section 01330, "Submittals," in sufficient detail to show full compliance with the specification:

SD-01 Preconstruction Submittals

Fire-Alarm Specialist shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer.

SD-03 Product Data

Manufacturer's catalog data shall be submitted for the following items:

- Alarm Control Unit
- Halon Remote Release Indicator (HRRRI)
- Manual Arm and Release Switches
- Abort Switch

SD-06 Test Reports

Test Procedures for Halon controls testing shall be submitted for approval 30 days prior to the start of functional test.

Test Reports for Halon testing shall be submitted.

SD-08 Manufacturer's Instructions

Posted Instructions shall be submitted for halon fire detection and control systems consisting of labels, signs, and templates of operating instructions that are required to be mounted or installed on or near the product for normal safe operation. reference numbers, warranty information, and fabrication site information.

1.3 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Section 16003, "General Electrical Provisions," applies to work specified in this section.

Section 13850, "Fire-Alarm and Detection Systems" applies to work specified in this section.

1.4 SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

Halon fire-alarm system shall be a cross-zoned, supervised, noncoded NFPA 72D, Style "D" and Style "7" solid-state electrical system including alarm-initiating devices, audible and visible alarm-indicating devices, arm and release solenoids, and control units electrically connected together to

sound the general alarm continuously upon the operation of one or more alarm initiating devices. System shall be approved for releasing device service.

Halon fire-alarm system shall contain:

Alarm control unit

Halon remote release indicators

Manual arm switches on supervised Style "D" circuits

Manual release switches on supervised Style "D" circuits

Production-of-combustion detectors

Graphic display panel for detectors

Halon release and Halon early warning bells on supervised Style "7" circuits

Time limit cutout (TLC) for audible signals

Damper controls for air-handling and ventilating systems

Rotating beacons

Standby battery units integral with Halon control panel

Arm and release solenoids on supervised Style "7" circuits

All electrical switches, lights, and similar items that are integral parts of pressure switches, control panels, damper operators, etc., furnished and installed by the Contractor

Devices listed above shall be as specified in Section 13850, "Fire-Alarm and Detection Systems" if not otherwise specified in this Section.

1.4.1 Normal/Standby Sequence of Operation (KSC)

NOTE: Select this paragraph for KSC projects.

All switches shall be in the normal position. Power lamp shall be ON, the trouble lamp and detector identification lamps shall be OFF.

- a. With the mode-selector switch turned to the AUTOMATIC position, the following sequence of operation shall be incorporated.

1. Activation of any one ionization detector shall:

Light the detector identification lamp on the graphic display panel and the early warning lamp on the Halon control panel.

Light local rotating beacon(s) and, in the Halon control panel, turn on the early warning bell.

Activate Halon arming solenoid of the system involved and

illuminate the HALON ARMED lamp on the Halon control panel and the Halon remote release indicators.

Transmit an alarm signal to the Central Station Fire Monitoring System. The local Halon system evacuation alarm bell(s) shall not ring.

2. Activation of a MANUAL ARM switch or MANUAL RELEASE switch shall result in the same operation as paragraph entitled, "Normal/Standby Sequence of Operation," subparagraph a.1 except no detector identification lamp will light.

3. After one detector has energized the arm solenoid, the activation of any detector in the other circuit in the same zone shall:

Turn on all Halon system evacuation alarm bell(s) in the area of the Halon system involved.

Light the detector identification lamp on the graphic display panel and the FIRE lamp on the Halon control panel.

Energize Halon release solenoid of the system involved, discharge Halon into the protected area and illuminate the HALON RELEASE lamp on the Halon control panel, and the Halon remote release indicators.

Close dampers, release doors and shut off supply fans and airhandlers for the system involved.

Release of Halon into the distribution piping manifold shall activate a manually reset pressure switch which will illuminate the HALON REMOTE RELEASE INDICATORS located outside the protected area and the RELEASE COMPLETE lamp on the Halon control panel.

4. Activation of a MANUAL RELEASE switch after activation of a MANUAL ARM switch shall result in the same operation as paragraph entitled, "Normal/Standby Sequence of Operation," subparagraph a.3 except no detector identification lamp will light.

5. Activation of a MANUAL RELEASE switch prior to activation of a MANUAL ARM switch shall not dump Halon or close dampers. Activation of a MANUAL RELEASE switch followed by activation of a MANUAL ARM switch shall result in the same operation as paragraph entitled, "Normal/Standby Sequence of Operation," subparagraph a.4.

b. With the mode selector turned to the MANUAL position, the following sequence of operation shall be incorporated.

1. Activation of any one ionization detector shall result in the same operation as with the mode selector switch in the AUTOMATIC POSITION except it shall not activate the arming solenoid or light the HALON ARMED lamps.

After one detector has been activated, the activation of any detector in the other circuit of the same zone shall result in the same operation as with the mode selector switch in the AUTOMATIC position except:

Halon release solenoid shall not be activated, Halon shall not be released, and associated indicators shall not illuminate.

Dampers shall not be closed and fans and air handlers shall not shut down.

2. Activation of MANUAL ARM and MANUAL RELEASE switches with the mode selector turned to the MANUAL position shall be the same as with the mode selector in the AUTOMATIC position.

1.4.2 Normal/Standby Sequence of Operation (CCAFS)

NOTE: Select this paragraph for CCAFS projects.

All switches shall be in the normal position. Power lamp shall be ON, the trouble lamp and detector identification lamps shall be OFF.

a. Activation of any one ionization detector shall:

Light the detector identification lamp on the graphic display panel and the early warning lamp on the Halon control panel.

Illuminate local rotating beacon(s) and, in the Halon control panel, turn on the early warning bell.

Activate Halon arming solenoid of the system involved and illuminate the HALON ARMED lamp on the Halon control panel and the Halon remote release indicators.

Transmit an alarm signal to the Central Station Fire Monitoring System through the Halon control panel code transmitter. The local Halon system evacuation alarm bell(s) shall not ring.

b. After one detector has energized the arm solenoid, the activation of any detector in the other circuit in the same zone shall:

1. Turn on the Halon system evacuation alarm bell(s) in the area of the Halon system involved.

2. Light the detector identification lamp on the graphic display panel and the HALON RELEASE lamps on the Halon control panel and the Halon remote release indicators.

3. Close dampers, and release doors shut off supply fans and air handlers for the system involved.

4. After a time delay adjustable from 0 to 180 seconds:

Energize the Halon release solenoid of the system involved. Discharge Halon into the protected area and light the HALON RELEASE lamp on the Halon control panel and the Halon remote release indicators. Transmit a Fire Alarm signal to the Central Station Fire Monitoring System.

5. Release of Halon into the distribution piping manifold shall activate a manually reset pressure switch which will illuminate the RELEASE COMPLETE lamp on the Halon control panel and the Halon

remote release indicators.

6. Abort switches mounted on the Halon control panel and in the Halon remote release stations shall:

Prevent release of Halon by the automatic detection system.

Report a trouble condition to the Central Station Fire Monitoring System.

Open dampers and effect restart of supply fans and AHU.

Sound the abort buzzer and light the abort lamp located on the Halon control panel and light the abort lamps on the Halon Remote Release Stations, when the system is in the abort mode.

Permit release of Halon upon operation of the manual arm and release switches in all abort switch positions which shall shut down the supply fans and AHU and close dampers.

- c. Activation of a MANUAL ARM switch or a MANUAL RELEASE switch shall result in the same operation as paragraph entitled, "Normal/Standby Sequence of Operation (CCAFS)," subparagraph b except no detector identification lamp will light.
- d. Activation of a MANUAL RELEASE switch after activation of a MANUAL ARM switch shall result in the same operation as paragraph entitled, "Normal/Standby Sequence of Operation (CCAFS)," subparagraph b.1 thru b.5 except no detector identification lamp will light and there will be no time delay on Halon discharge.
- e. Activation of a MANUAL RELEASE switch prior to activation of a MANUAL ARM switch shall not dump or close dampers. Activation of a MANUAL RELEASE switch followed by activation of a MANUAL ARM switch shall result in the same operation as paragraph entitled, "Normal/Standby Sequence of Operation (CCAFS)," subparagraph d.

1.4.3 Trouble Condition

Operation shall be in accordance with Section 13850, "Fire-Alarm and Detection Systems." A pressure switch shall sense the actuation-source pressure and illuminate a red lamp on the exterior of the control cabinet and the main Halon control panel face if the storage pressure drops to 80 percent of its original value.

1.5 SERVICES OF A FIRE-ALARM SPECIALIST

Services of a qualified specialist thoroughly experienced in the work shall be provided to supervise the installation, make all necessary adjustments, and perform all tests on the Halon fire-alarm system at the site.

Specialist for this service shall be one who can present evidence of at least five years' experience in system coordination and testing of the kind herein specified. All work shall be done by or under the direct supervision of this specialist.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 EQUIPMENT STANDARDS

Fire-detection and -alarm equipment shall conform to the applicable requirements of NFPA 12A, NFPA 70 (the NEC), NFPA 72A, NFPA 72D, and NFPA 72E and shall be approved by Underwriters' Laboratories or Factory Mutual. Products shall conform to the applicable portions of Section 13850, "Fire-Alarm and Detection Systems."

2.2 ALARM-CONTROL UNIT

Alarm-control unit shall be a fire alarm control panel as specified in Section 13850, "Fire-Alarm and Detection Systems" with additional features, controls, and devices as required by the system sequence of operation, Section 13850, "Fire-Alarm and Detection Systems."

Control unit shall contain the following additional functions:

Mode Selector Switch - Automatic/Manual

Damper Reset Switch

Time Limit Cutout (Adjustable from 5 - 10 Minutes)

Early Warning Lamp

Halon Armed Lamp

Halon Release Lamp

Release Complete Lamp

Early Warning Bell

Abort Switch (CCAFS only)

Power ON-OFF switch shall disconnect all power sources to the solenoids.

Damper reset switch shall reset dampers to normal operating position after fire condition has been corrected.

Backup battery unit shall be as specified in Section 13850, "Fire-Alarm and Detection Systems" and in addition shall be able to release Halon after 60 hours on battery power.

NOTE: Select either of the following paragraphs, as applicable with project.

2.3 HALON REMOTE RELEASE INDICATOR (HRRI)

2.3.1 HRRI For KSC

Halon Remote Release Indicator is a single red lens bullseye lamp mounted at entry into the halon protected area, as shown on the contract drawings. A warning sign shall be mounted near the HRRI as shown on the contract drawings.

2.3.2 HRRRI For CCAFS

A 3-lamp bullseye annunciator will be mounted at each entry into the Halon protected area, as shown on the contract drawings. Each HRRRI shall have the following lamps and nameplates from left to right:

Left - color - red lens

Legend - "HALON ARMED"

Center - color - red lens

Legend - "HALON RELEASE"

Right - color - blue lens

Legend - "HALON DISCHARGED"

A warning sign shall be mounted near the HRRRI as shown on the contract drawings.

2.4 MANUAL ARM AND RELEASE SWITCHES

Manual Arm and Release switches shall be double-action enclosed toggle switches and shall have a guard to prevent accidental operation. Guard shall be held closed by a spring and have a plastic or lead seal tie that breaks when the guard is raised. Arm stations shall be labeled "Halon Arm" and the release stations "Halon Release." Switches shall be UL approved and 110 V ac/dc, 6 amp. the stations shall be painted red with white lettering.

**NOTE: Use the following paragraph for halon systems
at CCAFS.**

2.5 ABORT SWITCH

Abort switch shall be a guarded momentary switch with a red activating light with action as required in this specification. Contact shall be DPDT, 10 amp, 110 V ac/dc rated. A switch closure shall lock up the abort circuit until the system has been reset.

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 INSTALLATION

All provisions of Section 13850, "Fire-Alarm and Detection Systems" apply to work under this part. Posted instructions for halon fire detection and control system shall be submitted.

3.1.1 Halon Fire Alarm and Detection Testing

Test reports and test procedures shall be submitted.

This section covers testing of the Halon fire alarm and detection system portion of the Halon Fire Detection and Control System. Testing shall be accomplished in accordance with the applicable portions of Section 13850,

"Fire-Alarm and Detection Systems."

3.1.2 Halon Controls Testing

All components except the discharge assembly on each tank and the pressure switches shall be demonstrated, to the satisfaction on the Contracting Officer, to be functioning properly in relation to each other and in conjunction with the controls specified elsewhere. Halon system functional test shall be run as an integrated electrical and mechanical components. Discharge of the cylinders will not be permitted for the functional testing.

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