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SECTION 6 - SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS (CONT'D)

6.4 EQUIPMENT INSTALLED OR WORK PERFORMED IN COMPANY SWITCH SITE OR OTHER OPERATIONAL LOCATIONS (CONT'D)

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6.4.3 REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRANCE FACILITY BUILDS AND EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION

Complete diversity is required both into and out of each site for all fiber optic cables. This is further defined to mean that completely diverse routes, that do not cross one another, are to be taken from each diverse entrance into the building to the fiber distribution panel (FDP). At no time shall these fiber optic cables be in the same conduit or pull box or cross one another. Should the fiber optic cables be in the same chase within the building, they shall be placed in different conduits that are separated by the maximum amount of space available.

All fiber optic cables shall be fusion spliced in a Customer or vendor provided fusion splice closure (SC) that is fire-retardant, as required by standard industry specifications. All fiber terminations shall be such that a Company jumper ('pig-tail'), with an industry standard SC connector, extends from the fiber splice closure to terminate in the back of the FDP, via approved fiber optic cable troughs or protection sleeves.

Both fiber optic and coaxial hand-offs to the Company shall terminate on Customer or vendor provided FDP and DSX-3 panels. Customer or vendor engineering representatives shall specify the type and model number for these FDP and DSX-3 panels in each site. In addition, the Company and the Customer or vendor will work together to determine where the FDP and DSX-3 panels are to be installed (see appropriate section for equipment and rack assignments). Any and all fiber optic jumpers (pig-tails) and coaxial cabling required to extend these hand-offs shall also be purchased, provided, and placed by the Customer or vendor or its authorized representative. All fiber optic jumpers (pig-tails) and FDPs purchased, provided, and placed shall utilize the industry standard SC fiber connectors.

The Customer or vendor is responsible for purchasing, providing, and placing any and all DC power materials and cabling required (fuse panel, fuses, etc). This includes all items required from the Company assigned BDFB location to the Customer or vendor's equipment for both the required "A" and "B" DC power feeds. The Customer or vendor engineering representative, in conjunction with Company operations personnel, shall determine who makes the connection to the existing BDFB. Regardless of whether the Customer or vendor or the Company makes these connections, this work activity shall include all labor required in completing the task.

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