10-3.__ FIBER OPTIC LABELING

GENERAL

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

LABEL IDENTIFICATION

Labeling of Cables.--Labeling of the backbone, distribution and drop fiber optic cables shall conform to the following unique identification code elements:

Labeling schemes

UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION CODE ELEMENTS FOR BACKBONE, DISTRIBUTION OR DROP CABLES

No.	DESCRIPTION	CODE	NUMBER OF CHARACTERS
1	Cable Type	Fiber: S: Singlemode	1
2	Fiber Count	Number of fibers or conductor pairs (example: 72 fibers)	3
3	Begin Function	T: TMC; H: Hub; V: Video Node; D: Data Node; C: Cable Node; TV: CCTV Camera; CM: CMS; E: Traffic Signal; RM: Ramp Meter; TM: Traffic Monitoring/Count Station/Vehicle Count Station (VDS, TMS); SV: Splice Vault SC: Splice Cabinet	1 or 2
4	County	County Number; Example: 033 (for Alameda)	3
5	Route Number	Hwy, Rte (example: 005)	3
6	Post Mile	Example: xxxxx	5
7	End Function	T: TMC; H: Hub; V: Video Node; D: Data Node; C: Cable Node; TV: CCTV Camera; CM: CMS; E: Traffic Signal; RM: Ramp Meter; TM: Traffic Monitoring/Count Station/Vehicle Count Station (VDS, TMS); SV: Splice Vault SC: Splice Cabinet	1 or 2
8	County	County Number; Example: 034 (for Sacramento)	3
9	Route Number	Hwy, Rte (example: 005)	3
10	Post Mile	Example: xxxxx	5
11	Unique ID	Identifies when two or more fiber cables are involved (example: xx)	2

Catrans District 4 county system numbers are as following:

County	County System Number
Alameda	33
Contra Costa	28
Marin	27
Napa	21
San Francisco	34
San Mateo	35
Santa Clara	37
Santa Cruz	36
Sonoma	20
Solano	23

Example: S 048 SV 033 080 00569 SV 034 080 00610 03. The label in the example can be translated as a singlemode (S) 48 strand cable (048) that starts from a splice vault (SV) in Alameda County (033) on I-80 (080) post mile 5.69 (00569) ends at another splice vault (SV) in Alameda County (033) on I-80 (080) at postmile 6.10 (00610). This fiber optic cable is uniquely identified as 03. This means the cable is the 3rd of the fiber optic cables in the pull box or the vault.

Each cable shall display a unique identification, regardless of where the cable is viewed. The begin function and end function correspond to the end points of each cable. The order of the begin and end function follow a hierarchy as listed below, where the lowest number corresponding to the begin/end function is listed first.

1	TMC
2	HUB
3	Video Node (VN)
4	Data Node (DN)
5	Cable Node
6	CCTV Camera
7	CMS
8	Traffic Signal
9	Ramp Meter
10	Traffic Monitoring Count Station
11	HAR
12	EMS
13	Weather Station
14	Weight In Motion
15	Splice Vault or Cabinet

This scheme will work as follows: A cable between the TMC and a HUB will always have the TMC listed as the start function and the HUB as the end function. Between a CMS and a Splice Vault, the start function will always be listed as the CMS, and so on. If a cable is connected between HUBs, for example HUB-01 and HUB-03, the lowest number, in this case HUB-01, will be listed as the start function and HUB-03 as the end function.

At each FDU or ITU the Contractor shall provide a listing of the cable or cables terminated and where each fiber appears on the connector panel, a list of all jumpers and the equipment that

they are connected to, and a geographical layout of all the equipment installed by the Contractor. In field cabinets these shall be placed in a waterproof pouch mounted on the cabinet door.

LABEL PLACEMENT

Abbreviations:

TMC	TXXX.XX
HUB	HXXX.XX
VAULT	SVXXX.XX
PULL BOX	PBXXX.XX
CAMERA	TVXXX.XX
CMS	CMXXX.XX
TMS	TMXXX.XX
RAMP METER	RMXXX.XX
TRAFFIC SIGNAL	EXXX.XX
HAR	HRXXX.XX
EMS	FMXXX.XX
WEATHER STATION	WSXXX.XX
WEIGHT IN MOTION	WTXXX.XX

The X's denote the postmile of the above elements.

Cables.--All cables shall be clearly labeled with the unique identification code element method described elsewhere in these special provisions, at all terminations, even if no connections or splices are made, and at all splice vault entrance and exit points.

Cable to Cable Splices.--All cable jackets entering the splice enclosure shall be labeled in accordance with the identification method described elsewhere in these special provisions.

Cable to Fiber Distribution Units.--The cable jackets shall be clearly labeled at entry to the FDU in accordance with the unique identification code element method described elsewhere in these special provisions. In addition, each fiber shall be labeled with the Fiber ID and pigtails shall be labeled at the connector with the Fiber ID. The FDU shall be clearly labeled with the Cable ID on the face of the FDU. If multiple cables are connected to the FDU, each block of connectors relating to each individual cable shall be clearly identified by a single label with the Cable ID. Individual connections shall be clearly marked on the face of the FDU in the designated area with the Fiber ID.

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

Patch Panels.--The cable jackets shall be clearly labeled at entry to the Patch Panel in accordance with the unique identification code element method described elsewhere in these special provisions. In addition, each fiber shall be labeled with the Fiber ID and pigtails shall be labeled at the connector with the Fiber ID. The Patch panel shall be clearly labeled with the Cable ID on the face of the Panel. If multiple cables are connected to the Patch Panel, each block of connectors relating to each individual cable shall be clearly identified by a single label with the Cable ID. Individual connections shall be clearly marked on the face of the Panel in the designated area with the Fiber ID.

Splice Trays.--A label shall be placed on each splice tray explaining the splices in each tray.