SECTION 23 1200 - HEAT EXCHANGERS

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This Section uses the term "Engineer." Change this term to match that used to identify the design professional as defined in the General and Supplementary Conditions.

Verify that Section titles referenced in this Section are correct for this Project’s Specifications; Section titles may have changed.

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PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 01 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.

B. The Contractor’s attention is specifically directed, but not limited, to the following documents for additional requirements:
   1. The current version of the Uniform General Conditions for Construction Contracts, State of Texas, available on the web site of the Texas Facilities Commission.
   2. The University of Houston’s Supplemental General Conditions and Special Conditions for Construction.

1.2 DESCRIPTION OF WORK

A. Work Included: Provide heat exchangers as shown, scheduled, indicated, and as specified.
B. Types: The types of heat exchangers required for the project include, but are not limited to:
   1. Shell and tube heat exchangers.
   2. Flat plate heat exchangers.

1.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Manufacturers: Provide products complying with these specifications and produced by one of the following:
   1. Shell and Tube Heat Exchangers:
      a. Bell & Gossett.
      b. Patterson-Kelly.
      c. Taco.
   2. Flat Plate Heat Exchangers:
      a. Alpha-Laval
      b. Baltimore Aircoil

1.4 SUBMITTALS

A. Shop Drawing submittals shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
   1. Cut sheets of the heat exchangers with construction, capacity, ratings, and accessories clearly shown.
2. Include dimensioned drawings of heat exchangers.
3. Additional information as required in Section 23 0100 “Mechanical General Provisions.”

1.5 PRODUCT DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

A. Deliver heat exchangers in factory-fabricated water-resistant wrapping.
B. Handle heat exchangers carefully to avoid damage to material component, enclosure and finish.
C. Store heat exchangers in a clean, dry space and protect from the weather.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 SHELL AND TUBE HEAT EXCHANGERS

A. General: Provide shell-and-tube heat exchangers, complete with steel supporting saddles.
B. Exchangers: Design water-to-water heat exchangers with number of passes and arranged as indicated on the Drawings. [Steam to hot water converters shall be piped with steam in shell and a minimum of two water passes.]
C. Construction: Construct components of following materials:
   1. Components    Material
      Shell          Steel
      Tube sheets    [Naval Brass] [Muntz Metal]
      Tubes          [Stainless Steel] [18 BWG inhibited Copper Admiralty metal]
                      [5/8 inch OD,] [3/4 inch OD,]
      Heads (Removable)  [Cast iron] or [fabricated steel]
D. Capacity: Provide units with capacities as scheduled on the Drawings. Pressure drops scheduled are maximum. Fouling factor of 0.0005 shall be included. [Scale factor shall be 0.003.] Water velocity shall not exceed 4 fps.
E. [Steam Connections: Provide steam, condensate, and vent connections to the exchanger shell. Steam inlet connection on shell shall be beyond the tube U-bends to prevent steam impingement on the tubes.]
F. ASME Symbol: A manufacturer’s data report for pressure vessels, Form No. U-1 as required by the provisions of the ASME Code Rules, shall be furnished to the Engineer for the Owner. This form shall be signed by a qualified inspector holding a National Board commission certifying that construction conforms to the latest ASME Code for Pressure Vessels for 300 psig design pressure and system temperatures as indicated on the Drawings and as detailed on Form No. U-1. The ASME "U" symbol shall be stamped on the heat exchangers.
G. Mounting Saddles
H. Painting: Heat exchangers and accessories shall be primed and finish-painted using the manufacturer’s standard paint system.

2.2 FLAT PLATE HEAT EXCHANGERS

A. General: Provide flat plate heat exchangers, complete with frames and accessories.
B. Exchanger Design: Design flat plate heat exchangers with number of plates and plate size required to provide the scheduled capacity. Pressure drops scheduled are maximum. Fouling factor of 0.0005 shall be included. Water velocity shall not exceed 4fps.

C. Frame: Heat exchanger shall be provided with an epoxy coated steel frame with lifting lugs. Frame plate and bar design shall permit access to any plate in the plate pack without need to remove any other plates. All plate carrying and guide bar guiding system components shall be stainless steel. Carrying and guiding bars shall be designed for 15% future plate expansion capability. The fixed and movable covers shall be of sufficient thickness for the design pressure and code requirements without additional reinforcements of stiffeners.

D. Connections: Connections 2 inches and smaller shall be stainless steel NPT type. Connections 2-1/2 inches and larger shall be studded port design to avoid leaks on the port area.

E. Compression Bolts: The bolting system shall utilize only four compression bolts for opening and closing the unit. Compression bolts shall not require special tools and shall be equipped with lock washers at the movable cover to allow opening and closing of the unit from the fixed cover. Compression bolts shall be equipped with captive nuts at the fixed cover and threaded nuts at the movable cover. Welding of nuts to the compression bolts will not be acceptable. Compression bolts shall have rolled threads to reduce galling and double width hex nuts to adequately distribute bolt load. Bolts shall be factory lubricated and provided with protective plastic sleeves.

F. Plates: Plates shall be pressed type 304 stainless steel with adequate heat transfer area to provide the scheduled capacity. Each individual plate shall be pressed from a homogeneous single metal sheet. Each transfer plate shall have herringbone corrugations to optimize heat transfer and provide support of adjacent plates. All plates and gaskets shall be permanently marked to identify quality and material. Plates shall incorporate a built-in aligning system. An aluminum plate pack shroud shall be provided.

G. Gaskets: Gasket material shall be as scheduled or required for the proposed application. Gaskets shall have relieving grooves to prevent intermixing of fluids. All gaskets shall be one piece and shall fit around both the heat transfer areas and port holes. Non-glued gasketing systems are preferred. If adhesive is necessary, it shall be a two component heat cured epoxy glue which is compatible with the gasket materials and heat exchange fluids.

H. Inspection and Testing: Plate heat exchangers shall be designed to withstand the full test pressure in one circuit with zero pressure in the alternate circuit. All exchangers shall be hydrostatically tested in accordance with ASME Section VIII, Division 1, Paragraph UG-99.

I. Factory Insulation: Plate heat exchangers shall be provided with a factory installed insulation package. Insulation shall meet the flame spread and smoke developed requirements specified in Section 23 0700 "System Insulation."

J. Drip Tray: Plate heat exchangers shall be provided with a factory installed drip tray.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 INSTALLATION

A. General: Install in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and ASME Code. Provide a pressure relief valve on closed loop side to prevent excessive buildup of heat or pressure. Relief valve shall be selected to coordinate with the piping system pressure rating.

3.2 TESTING
A. General: Test heat exchangers with connected piping systems.

3.3 INSULATION
   A. Refer to Section 23 0700 "System Insulation" for non-factory insulated heat exchanger component insulation requirements.

3.4 DRIP TRAY
   A. Pipe condensate from heat exchanger drip tray to the nearest floor drain.

3.5 IDENTIFICATION
   A. Refer to Section 23 0300 "Basic Materials and Methods" for applicable painting, nameplates, and labeling requirements.

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