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01 thru 29, add "and 101 thru 129" 30 thru 59, add "and 130 thru 159" 60 thru 85, add "and 160 thru 185"

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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ASP aluminum steel polyethylene

Bldg building

BOB Base Operations Building
BRRS Banana River Repeater Station
CA designation for audio cable

CDSC Communications Distribution and Switching Center

CFP customer face plate

CIF Central Instrumentation Facility

Comm communication
D data serving CFP's
dB/km decibels per kilometer
DDF data distribution frame
DS data serving racks
DTA double tape armor

EDL Engineering Development Laboratory

ELSSE Environmental Life Support Systems Equipment

Envir. environmental

FM fiber-optic cable, multimode

FOT fiber-optic terminal

FS fiber-optic cable, single-mode GHz/km gigahertz per kilometer

HC house cable

HMF Hyperhgol Maintenance Facility

HP high pressure

HQ Headquarters (Building) HRT high-resolution tracker

HS high-speed data

HSDF high-speed data frame

IDF intermediate distribution frame

INTF interface

INSTR instrumentation

KSC John F. Kennedy Space Center LACB Landing Aids Control Building

LCC Launch Control Center LC-39 Launch Complex 39

LCPI lead covered paper insulated LUT Launch Umbilical Tower

M&O Maintenance and Operations (Building)

MAINT maintenance

MDF main distribution frame MHz/km megahertz per kilometer

ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS (cont)

MLP Mobile Launcher Platform
MSS Mobile Service Structure

NASA National Aeronautics and Space Administration NEMA National Electrical Manufacturers Association

nm nanometer

O&C Operations and Checkout (Building)

OSB Operations Support Building

OSRFR Operations Support Room, Firing Rooms

PCC Processing Control Center

PSCN Program Support Communications Network

PTCR Pad Terminal Connection Room

PVC polyvinyl chloride

RM room

SAEF Spacecraft Assembly and Encapsulation Facility

SLF Shuttle Landing Facility
SRB Solid Rocket Booster

STAL Stalpeth (jacket or sheath)

STOR storage T, TEL telephone

TBD to be determined
TD terminal distributor
TEL4 Central Telemetry, Site 4

TERM terminal

TS technical systems

TTC telephone terminal cabinet UCS Universal Camera Site

USB unified S-band

VAB Vehicle Assembly Building VABR VAB Repeater (Station)

VERT vertical

VIC Visitors Information Center

WB wideband

WBT wideband terminal

μm micrometer

CABLE NUMBERING, OUTSIDE PLANT COMMUNICATION SYSTEM, STANDARD FOR

1. SCOPE

This standard establishes the approved method for numbering all cables within the outside plant portion of the fixed wire communications system at the John F. Kennedy Space Center (KSC). This standard is intended to accomplish the following:

- a. Standardize and direct cable numbering procedures for outside plant cabling at KSC.
- b. Provide systematic numbering of all audio cable main distribution frame (MDF), wideband terminal (WBT), and fiber-optic terminal (FOT) cables and end locations.

2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

The following documents form a part of this document to the extent specified herein. When this document is used for procurement, including solicitations, or is added to an existing contract, the specific revision levels, amendments, and approval dates of said documents shall be specified in an attachment to the Solicitation/Statement of Work/Contract.

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Fiber Optic Cable Specification for Kennedy Space Center

- 3. REQUIREMENTS
- 3.1 Requirements for Copper Cable (Audio and Video).
- 3.1.1 General Requirements.
- 3.1.1.1 <u>Cable Numbering Procedures</u>. The cable numbering procedures specified herein conform to industry standards, supplemented with criteria developed

specifically for numbering cables in that part of the outside plant peculiar to the KSC operation.

3.1.1.2 <u>Cable Designator</u>. - Individual cables in the outside plant shall be uniquely identified by assignment of a cable designator to each cable. The cable designator shall include the cable prefix, cable number, cable type, the number of cable pairs (by individual sheath), gauge of the conductors, and cable pair count. This information is essential for the identification of cables and for day-to-day maintenance of the cable plant. It further provides necessary information for engineering extensions and rearrangements to the existing plant. Typical cable designators for audio, wideband, and composite audio/wideband cables are shown in figure 1.

3.1.2 <u>Detailed Requirements</u>.

3.1.2.1 Cable Numbering.

3.1.2.1.1 <u>Main Feeder Cables.</u> - Main underground and buried feeder cables, originating from primary MDF's and WBT's, shall be assigned numbers 01 to 99. Numbers assigned to audio cables may be prefixed with the letters CA. Numbers assigned to wideband (WB) cables shall be prefixed with the letters WB. Blocks of cable numbers have been assigned to primary MDF's and WBT's in the following manner:

Primary MDF Locations	MDF Number	Cable Number Allocated
CD&SC VABR LC-39 LCC	1 50 51	01 thru 29 30 thru 59 60 thru 85
Primary WBT Locations	WBT Number	Cable Number Allocated
		

Α. TYPICAL AUDIO CABLE DESIGNATOR

2-22 Number of hundreds and gauge listed 0203:201-375 Cable number and pair identification listed

Number of unconnected pairs listed 25 DD

В. TYPICAL WIDEBAND CABLE DESIGNATOR

36X16 Number of pairs and gauge listed WB06:37-60 Cable number and pair identification listed Number of unconnected pairs listed 4X DD WB0601:1-8 Cable number and pair identification listed

C. TYPICAL COMPOSITE CABLE DESIGNATOR

Number of audio hundreds and gauge listed 2-19+12-16 plus number of wideband pairs and gauge listed 08:1-200 Cable number and pair identification listed WB37:37-46 2X DD Number of unconnected pairs listed

D. TYPICAL IN/OUT DESIGNATOR

Number of hundreds and gauge listed 3-22 Cable number and pair identification in and additional pair identification out 09:101-200 IN/OUT 100 DD Number of unconnected pairs listed

NOTES:

1. Sheath type not required - existing may be shown as follows:

> Lead covered paper insulated LCPI DTA Double tape armor

STAL Stalpeth

ASP Aluminum steel polyethylene

PVC Polyvinylchloride

2. Other signs:

> X Actual pairs Plus, additional pairs

IN/OUT Indicates pairs terminated in and directly cross-connected

3. Wideband cable is no longer manufactured; however, existing cable exists at KSC. Three pairs, 19 gauge in the wideband cable are no longer listed, since they are unterminated at all locations.

Figure 1. Typical Cable Designations

Main feeder cables originating from a given primary MDF or WBT shall be sequentially numbered in the chronological order of placement. Main feeder cables interconnecting two primary MDF's or WBT's shall be numbered from the lowest numbered MDF or WBT.

- 3.1.2.1.2 <u>Distribution Cables</u>. One of the following methods shall apply, as applicable.
- 3.1.2.1.2.1 <u>Distribution Cable Spliced Directly to Feeder Cable</u>. A distribution cable (buried, underground, or building) that is spliced directly to its feeder cable shall be numbered the same as the feeder cable. (See figure 2.)
- 3.1.2.1.2.2 <u>Distribution Cable Connected to Feeder Cable Through a Cross-Connecting Terminal</u>. A distribution cable connected to its feeder cable through a cross-connecting terminal shall retain the number of the feeder cable with the suffix 01, 02, 03, etc., as appropriate. The numerical sequence of the suffixes of different distribution cables connected to the same feeder cable will be dependent upon the order of placement of the distribution cables. The first distribution cable connected to a feeder cable numbered 01 through a cross-connected terminal shall be numbered 0101, as shown in figures 2 and 3. The pair count in the cross-connected distribution cable will begin with pair number 1, regardless of the pair count in the feeder cable.
- 3.1.2.1.2.3 <u>Distribution Cable Connected to Feeder Cable Through a Straight-Connecting Protected Terminal</u>. A distribution cable connected to its feeder cable through a straight-connecting protected terminal shall be numbered as detailed in 3.1.2.1.2.2, but its pair count shall be the same as the pair count of the feeder cable, as shown in figure 4.
- 3.1.2.1.2.4 <u>Distribution Cable Connected to a Main Feeder Through More Than One Cross-Connecting Terminal</u>. A distribution cable connected to a main feeder cable through more than one cross-connecting terminal shall retain the number of the feeder cable, affixed with a two-digit suffix for each cross-connection, as illustrated in figures 2 and 5.
- 3.1.2.1.3 <u>Tie Cables</u>. A tie cable installed between two subsidiary MDF's that are each fed by separate feeder cables shall be numbered as a distribution cable from the MDF bearing the lowest number. (See figures 6 and 7.)
- 3.1.2.1.4 <u>Building Cables</u>. Building distribution cables connected to a building feeder cable through an MDF or cross-connecting terminal shall be numbered as detailed in 3.1.2.1.2.2. When an MDF or cross-connecting terminal within a

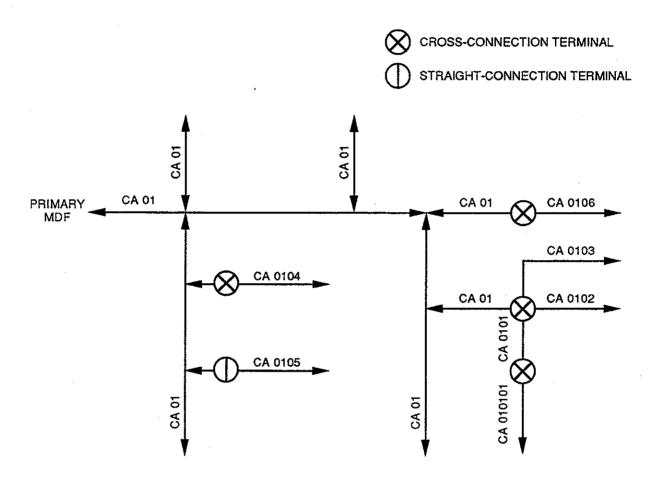


Figure 2. General Cable Numbering Scheme

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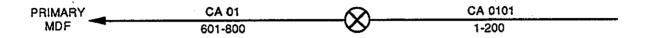


Figure 3. Cable Number and Pair Count When Using Cross-Connect Terminal

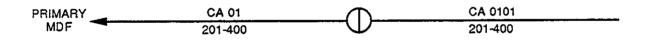


Figure 4. Cable Number and Pair Count When Using Straight-Connect Terminal

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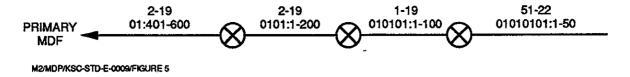


Figure 5. Cable Numbering Scheme, Cross-Connect Terminals in Series

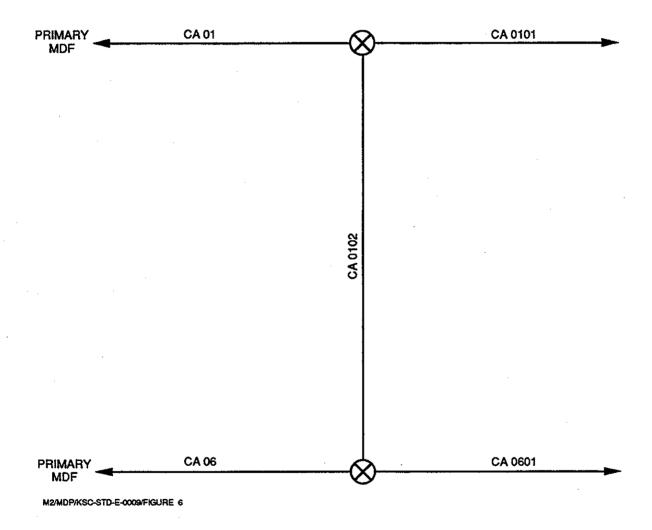


Figure 6. Numbering Tie Cables Between Subsidiary MDF's Fed by Separate Feeder Cables

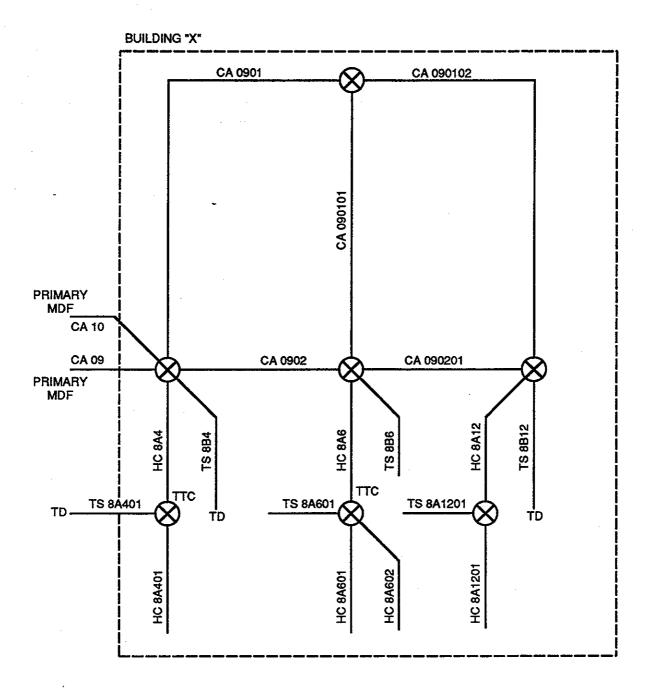


Figure 7. Numbering Cables in a Building Where One or More Distributing Points are Used

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building is fed by two or more feeder cables bearing separate cable numbers, the building distribution cables cross-connected therefrom shall retain the number of the lowest numbered feeder cable serving the building. (See figures 7 and 8.)

- 3.1.2.1.4.1 <u>House Cables.</u> House cables (HC's) are considered to be those miscellaneous (normally small in size) administrative cables originating on the horizontal side of a distributing frame generally serving the immediate communications center area. For quick identification and elimination of cable designator duplication, house cable numbers correspond to the physical termination location of the cable on the horizontal. For example, A 50-pair cable terminated on vertical 6 (horizontal side), shelf A of distributing frame number 12, suffixed with HC, shall be designated as HC 6A12 (figures 7 and 9). Only one alphabetical letter will appear in the house cable designator. Should the cable termination span more than one frame shelf level, only the letter designating the shelf level where the cable starts its termination shall appear in the cable designator.
- 3.1.2.1.4.2 <u>Technical Systems Cables</u> Technical systems (TS) cables are those cables installed to interface between the outside plant portion of the fixed wire communications system and technical activities, or connecting to the other cable systems designed to support technical systems that are not part of the outside cable plant. Technical systems cables originating on the horizontal side of a distribution frame shall be numbered in the same manner as for house cables, using the prefix TS, as shown in figures, 7, 8, and 10. Technical systems cables originating at telephone terminal cabinets (TTC's) shall be numbered the same as building distribution cables; that is, they shall have the number of the cable feeding the TTC, with the proper suffix (01, 02, etc.) and the prefix TS.
- 3.1.2.1.4.3 <u>Multipled House or Technical Systems Cables</u>. When two or more house cables and/or technical systems cables are multipled on a line terminal block on the horizontal side of an MDF, the cables shall be designated as detailed in 3.1.2.1.4.1, except that each cable in the multipled group shall be assigned a number suffix beginning with number 01. An example is illustrated in figure 11.
- 3.1.2.2 <u>Numbering Audio Cable Distribution Frames</u>. Audio cable distribution frames shall be assigned numbers from 1 to 155. Blocks of numbers for designating MDF's have been allocated to geographical areas in the following manner:

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Number Allocated

KSC Industrial Area LC-39

1-49 50-155

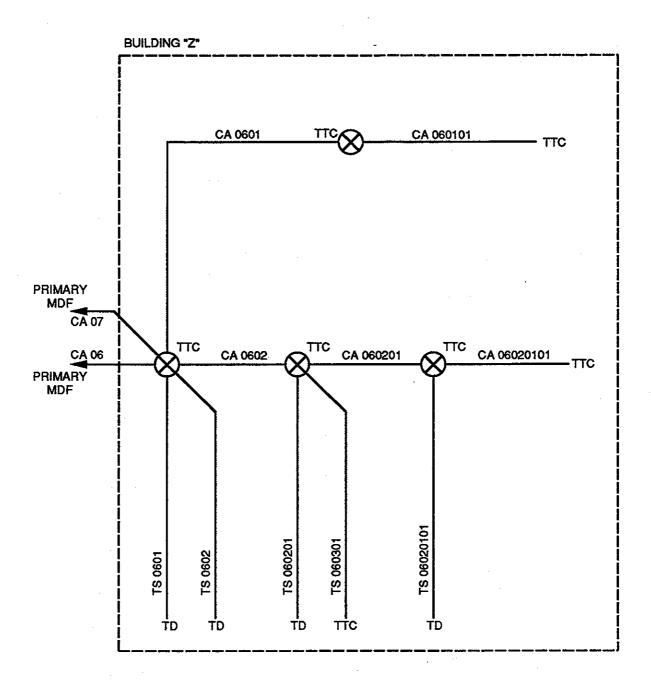


Figure 8. Numbering Cables in a Building Where One or More Cross-Connect Terminals Are Used

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A. HOUSE CABLES

HC - House cable

HC 6A12 6 - MDF vertical number location

A - Shelf level termination begins on horizonal side

12 - MDF number

B. TECHNICAL CIRCUITS

TS - Technical system cable

TS 12C60 12 - MDF vertical number location

C - Shelf level termination begins on horizontal side

60 - MDF number

Figure 9. House or Technical System Cable Originating on Horizontal Side of Main Frame

A. TYPICAL TELEPHONE CABLE DESIGNATOR

T - Telephone IDF

T 4A92A 4A - Vertical and shelf location

92A - MDF number listed and floor level

B. TYPICAL DATA DESIGNATOR

DS - Low-speed data to rack

DS 3E92B 3E - Vertical and shelf location

92B - MDF number listed and floor level

C. TYPICAL CUSTOMER CABLE DESIGNATOR

CFP - Customer face plate

378 - User number

NOTES:

1. Frames and utilized letters:

MDF - Main distribution frame T - Telephone

IDF - Intermediate distribution frame
 DDF - Data distribution frame
 HSDF - High-speed data frame
 D - Data serving CFP's
 DS - Data serving racks
 High-speed data

CFP - Customer face plate

2. Use alphanumeric numbering to indicate floor levels.

Figure 10. Typical Premise Wiring Distribution

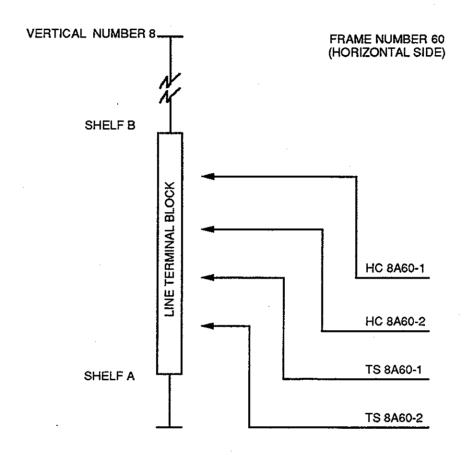


Figure 11. Method for Designating House Cables and Technical Service Cables When More Than One Cable is Terminated on a Line Terminal Block

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Existing MDF number assignments are shown in figures 12 and 13. New MDF's shall be sequentially numbered in the chronological order of placement.

3.1.2.3 <u>Numbering Wideband Terminals</u>. - Due to the variation in size and configuration of wideband cable terminations, the terminations are referred to generally as wideband terminals. Wideband terminals are numbered from 1 to 99. Blocks of numbers for designating WBT's have been allocated to geographical areas in the following manner:

<u>Area</u>	Number Allocated
KSC Industrial Area	1-49
LC-39	50-99

Existing WBT number assignments are shown in figures 14 and 15. New WBT's shall be sequentially numbered in the chronological order of placement.

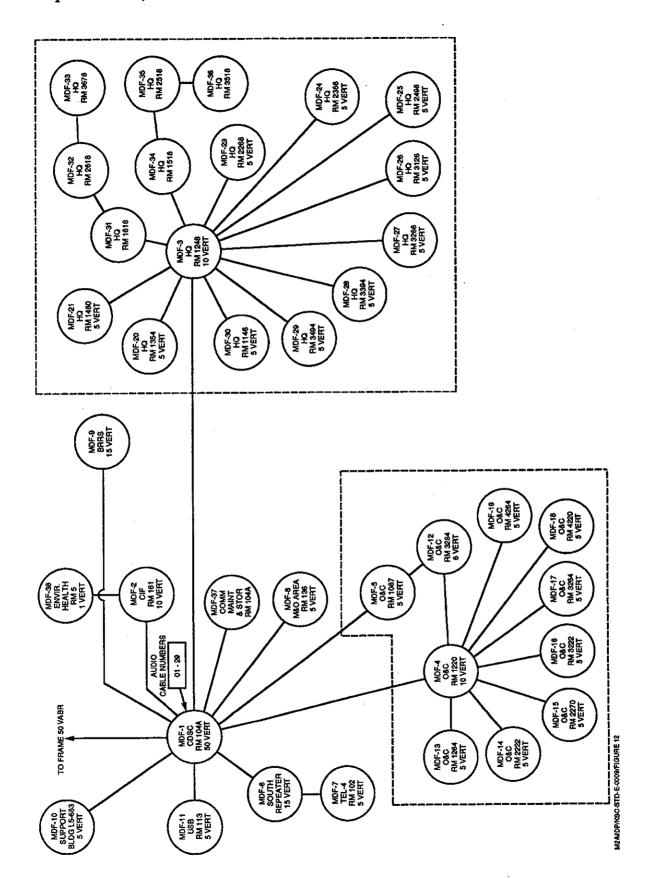


Figure 12. Audio Cable Distributing Frames, KSC Industrial Area

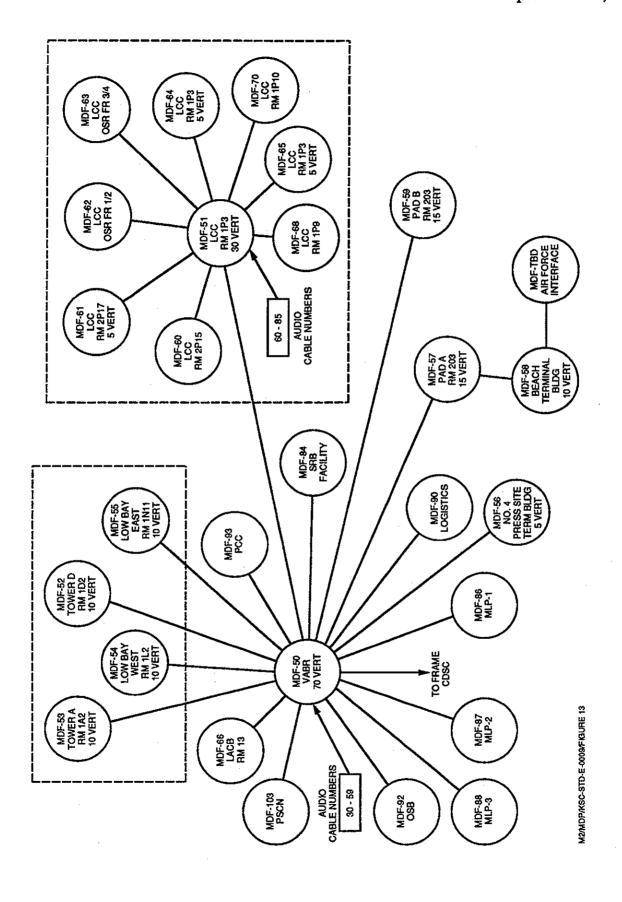


Figure 13. Audio Cable Distributing Frames, Launch Complex 39

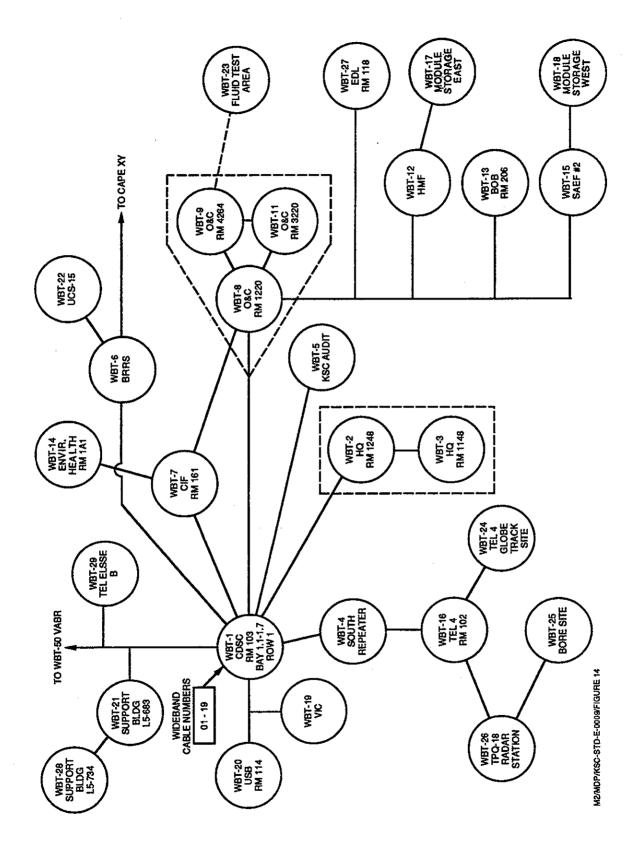


Figure 14. Wideband Number Assignments, KSC Industrial Area

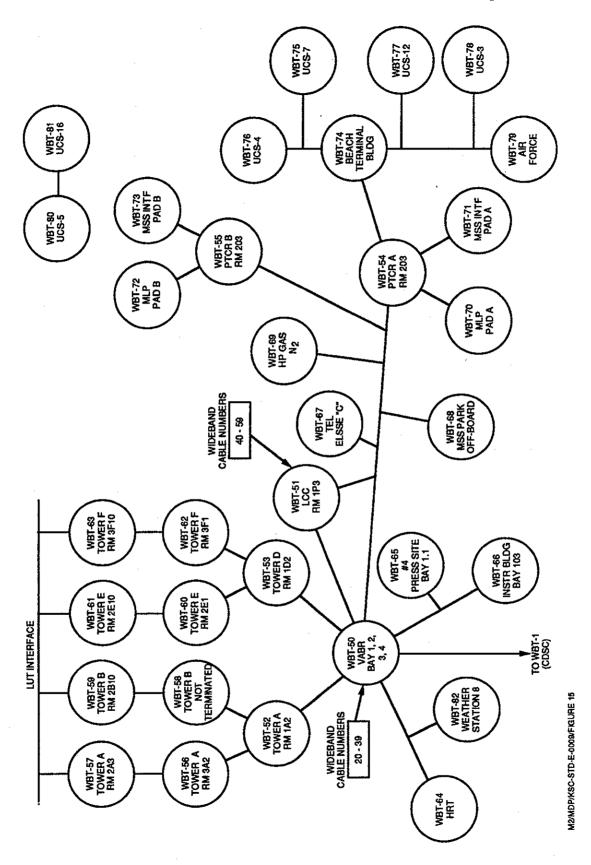


Figure 15. Wideband Terminal Number Assignments, LC-39

3.2 Requirements for Fiber Cable.

<u>Cable Identification (By Cable Manufacturer)</u>. - Fiber Cable is identified by a cable identification symbol that is constructed per the following:

- a. The first three lines on the identification symbol use the seven characters as described by the following:
 - (1) The first, second, and third characters (from left to right) denote the number of active optical fibers in the cable.
 - (2) The fourth character shall be a slash (/).
 - (3) The fifth, sixth, and seventh characters denote optical transmission windows that the optical fibers can support (the single-mode window is not indicated). These windows are defined herein as follows:
 - (a) The fifth character shall be an "A" or an "O". The "A" denotes a window at a wavelength of 850 nanometers (nm) with an attenuation of 4 decibels per kilometer (dB/km) and a bandwidth of 800 megahertz per kilometer (MHz/km). The character shall be an "O" if these requirements are not met.
 - (b) The sixth character shall be a "B" or an "O". The "B" denotes a multimode window at a wavelength of 1300 nm with an attenuation of 1 dB/km and a bandwidth of 1 gigahertz per kilometer (GHz/km), or a single-mode window with an attenuation of 0.5 dB/km. The character shall be an "O" if these requirements are not met.
 - (c) The seventh character shall be a "C" or an "O". The "C" denotes a multimode or single-mode window of a wavelength of 1550 nm with an attenuation of 0.5 dB/km. The character shall be an "O" if these requirements are not met.
- b. The two lower lines of the cable identification symbol indicate multimode (FM) or single-mode (FS) fibers, cable number, and fiber count.

Examples:

072/OBC:

Number of optical fibers and transmission window.

FM50:141-200:

Identifies 60 multimode fibers.

FS50: 25-36:

Identifies 12 single-mode fibers.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

Not applicable.

5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY

Not applicable.

6. NOTES

- 6.1 <u>Intended Use.</u> This standard is intended for use by all KSC organizations involved in engineering design work requiring numbering of outside plant cables.
- 6.2 <u>Definitions</u>. For the purpose of this standard, the following definitions shall apply.
 - a. Distribution Cable: With reference to a branch splice or terminal, a distribution cable is a cable that connects the branch splice or terminal to the end user, either directly or through cross-connected cable sections.
 - b. Feeder Cable: With reference to a branch splice or terminal, a feeder cable is a cable that connects the branch splice or terminal to a primary MDF, either directly or through cross-connected cable sections.
 - c. Fiber-Optic Cable: A cable constructed per the requirements of the fiber-optic cable specification 79K28125. This cable consists of multimode fibers, single-mode fibers, or some composite mix of both types of fibers.
 - d. Fiber-Optic Terminal (FOT): A fiber cabinet or terminal where fibers are connectorized in patch panels and is designated by a number that directly correlates to the MDF number in the same facility. Where no MDF exists, the number of the FOT toward the cable feed is used with an alpha suffix added. (e.g., FOT50A)
 - e. Multimode Fibers: Graded index optical glass with a core diameter of 50 ±3 micrometers (µm), typical. (See KSC Specification 79K28125.)
 - f. Primary MDF: Primary MDF's are key audio cable distributing points from which main audio feeder cables originate. The MDF's in the Communications Distribution and Switching Center (CD&SC), the VAB Repeater Building (VABR), and the LC-39 Launch Control Center (LCC)

have been designated primary MDF's. Each Primary MDF has been assigned a block of two-digit numbers for designating main audio feeder cables originating therefrom.

- g. Primary WBT: Primary WBT's are key wideband cable distributing points from which main wideband feeder cables originate. The WBT's in the CD&SC, the VABR, and the LC-39 LCC have been designated primary WBT's. Each primary WBT has been assigned a block of two-digit numbers for designating main wideband feeder cables originating therefrom.
- h. Single-Mode Fibers: Step index optical glass with a core diameter of 8.7 µm, typical. (See KSC Specification 79K28125.)
- i. Subsidiary MDF: Subsidiary MDF's include all audio cable distributing frames on the distribution side of the primary MDF's. Subsidiary MDF's are fed from primary MDF's either directly or through cross-connected cable sections.
- j. Subsidiary WBT: Subsidiary WBT's include all wideband cable distributing points on the distribution side of the primary WBT's. Subsidiary WBT's are fed from primary WBT's, either directly or through cross-connected cable sections.

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