SECTION 09 50 00

Acoustical Ceilings

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

Drawings and general conditions of Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Divisions-1 Specification sections apply to work of this section

1.2 SUMMARY

A. Section Includes

- 1. Acoustical ceiling panels
- 2. Exposed grid suspension system
- 3. Wire hangers, fasteners, main runners, cross tees, and wall angle moldings
- 4. Perimeter Trim

B. Related Selections

- 1. Section 09 51 00 Acoustical Ceilings
- 2. Section 09 51 13 Acoustical Fabric-Faced Panel Ceilings
- 3. Section 09 53 00 Acoustical Ceiling Suspension Assemblies
- 4. Section 09 20 00 Plaster and Gypsum Board
- 5. Section 02 42 00 Removal and Salvage of Construction Materials
- 6. Divisions 23 HVAC Air Distribution
- 7. Division 26 Electrical

C: Alternates

- 1. Prior Approval: Unless otherwise provided for in the Contract documents, proposed product substitutions may be submitted no later than TEN (10) working days prior to the date established for receipt of bids. Acceptability of a proposed substitution is contingent upon the Architect's review of the proposal for acceptability and approved products will be set forth by the Addenda. If included in a Bid are substitute products that have not been approved by Addenda, the specified products shall be provided without additional compensation.
- 2. Submittals that do not provide adequate data for the product evaluation will not be considered. The proposed substitution must meet all requirements of this section, including but not necessarily

limited to, the following: Single source materials suppliers (if specified in Section 1.5); Underwriters' Laboratories Classified Acoustical performance; Panel design, size, composition, color, and finish; Suspension system component profiles and sizes; Compliance with the referenced standards.

1.3 REFERENCES

- A. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):
- 1. ASTM A 1008 Standard Specification for Steel, Sheet, Cold Rolled, Carbon, Structural, High-Strength Low-Alloy and High-Strength Low-Alloy with Improved Formability
 - 2. ASTM A 641 Standard Specification for Zinc-Coated (Galvanized) Carbon Steel Wire
- 3. ASTM A 653 Standard Specification for Steel Sheet, Zinc-Coated (Galvanized) by the Hot-Dip Process
- 4. ASTM C 423 Sound Absorption and Sound Absorption Coefficients by the Reverberation Room Method
- 5. ASTM C 635 Standard Specification for Metal Suspension Systems for Acoustical Tile and Lay-in Panel Ceilings
- 6. ASTM C 636 Recommended Practice for Installation of Metal Ceiling Suspension Systems for Acoustical Tile and Lay-in Panels
- 7. ASTM D 3273 Standard Test Method for Resistance to Growth of Mold on the Surface of Interior Coatings in an Environmental Chamber
 - 8. ASTM E 84 Standard Test Method for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials
 - 9. ASTM E 119 Standard Test Methods for Fire Tests of Building Construction and Material
 - A. Armstrong Fire Guard Products
- 10. ASTM E 580 Installation of Metal Suspension Systems in Areas Requiring Moderate Seismic Restraint
- 11. ASTM E 1111 Standard Test Method for Measuring the Interzone Attenuation of Ceilings Systems
- 12. ASTM E 1414 Standard Test Method for Airborne Sound Attenuation Between Rooms Sharing a Common Ceiling Plenum
 - 13. ASTM E 1264 Classification for Acoustical Ceiling Products

- B. International Building Code
- C. ASHRAE Standard 62 1 2004 Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality
- D. NFPA 70 National Electrical Code
- E. ASCE 7 American Society of Civil Engineers, Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures
- F. International Code Council-Evaluation Services AC 156 Acceptance Criteria for Seismic Qualification Testing of Non-structural Components
- G. International Code Council-Evaluation Services Report Seismic Engineer Report
 - 1. ESR 1308 Armstrong Suspension Systems
- H. International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials Seismic Engineer Report
 - 1. 0244 Armstrong Single Span Suspension System
- I. California Department of Public Health CDPH/EHLB Emission Standard Method Version 1.1 2010
- J. LEED Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design is a set of rating systems for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of green buildings

1.4 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

Suspension System only

1.5 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: Submit manufacturer's technical data for each type of acoustical ceiling unit and suspension system required.
- B. Samples: Minimum 6 inch x 6 inch samples of specified acoustical panel; 8 inch long samples of exposed wall molding and suspension system, including main runner and 4 foot cross tees.
- C. Shop Drawings: Layout and details of acoustical ceilings show locations of items that are to be coordinated with, or supported by the ceilings.
- D. Certifications: Manufacturer's certifications that products comply with specified requirements, including laboratory reports showing compliance with specified tests and standards. For acoustical performance, each carton of material must carry an approved independent laboratory classification of NRC, CAC, and AC.

1.6 SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS

Transparency: Manufacturers will be given preference when they provide documentation to support sustainable requirements for the following: Material ingredient transparency, Removal of Red List Ingredients per LBCV3, Life Cycle impact information, Low-Emitting Materials, and Clean Air performance.

- 1. Health Product Declaration. The end use product has a published, complete Health Product Declaration with disclosure at a minimum of 1000ppm of known hazards in compliance with the Health Product Declaration open Standard.
- 2. Declare Label. The end use product has a published Declare label by the International Living Future Institute with disclosure of 100 ppm with a designation of Red List Free or Compliant (less than 1% proprietary ingredients).
- 3. Low Emitting products with VOC emissions data. Preference will also be given to manufacturers that can provide emissions data showing their products meet CDHP Standard Method v1.1 (Section 01350).
- 4. Life cycle analysis. Products that have communicated lifecycle data through Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) will be preferred.
- 5. End of Life Programs/Recycling: Where applicable, manufacturers that provide the option for recycling of their products into new products at end-of-life through take-back programs will be preferred.
- 6. Products meeting LEED V4 requirements including:

Storage & Collection of Recyclables

Construction and Demolition Waste Management Planning

Building Life-Cycle Impact Reduction

Building Product Disclosure and Optimization Environmental Product Declarations

Building Product Disclosure and Optimization Sourcing of Raw Materials

Building Product Disclosure and Optimization Material Ingredients

Construction and Demolition Waste Management

1.7 QUALITY ASSURANCE

1. Single-Source Responsibility: Provide acoustical panel units and grid components by a single manufacturer.

- 2. Fire Performance Characteristics: Identify acoustical ceiling components with appropriate markings of applicable testing and inspecting organization.
- A. Surface Burning Characteristics: As follows, tested per ASTM E 84 and complying with ASTM E 1264 Classification.
- B. Fire Resistance: As follows tested per ASTM E119 and listed in the appropriate floor or roof design in the Underwriters Laboratories Fire Resistance Directory
- 3. Acoustical Panels: As with other architectural features located at the ceiling, may obstruct or skew the planned fire sprinkler water distribution pattern through possibly delay or accelerate the activation of the sprinkler or fire detection systems by channeling heat from a fire either toward or away from the device. Designers and installers are advised to consult a fire protection engineer, NFPA 13, or their local codes for guidance where automatic fire detection and suppression systems are present.
- 4. Coordination of Work: Coordinate acoustical ceiling work with installers of related work including, but not limited to building insulation, gypsum board, light fixtures, mechanical systems, electrical systems, and sprinklers.

1.8 DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

- A. Deliver acoustical ceiling units to project site in original, unopened packages and store them in a fully enclosed space where they will be protected against damage from moisture, direct sunlight, surface contamination, and other causes.
- B. Before installing acoustical ceiling units, permit them to reach room temperature and a stabilized moisture content.
- C. Handle acoustical ceiling units carefully to avoid chipping edges or damaged units in any way.

1.9 ALTERNATE CONSTRUCTION WASTE DISPOSAL

- A. Ceiling material being reclaimed must be kept dry and free from debris.
- B. Contact the Armstrong Recycle Center a consultant will verify the condition of the material and that it meets the Armstrong requirements for recycling. The Armstrong consultant with provide assistance to facilitate the recycling of the ceiling.
- C. Recycling may qualify for LEED Credits:
 - a. LEED 2009 Category 4: Material and Resources (MR)
 - i. Credit MRc2: Construction Waste Management

b. LEEDv4 - MRp2 - Construction Waste Management Planning Qualifies as a material stream (non-structural) targeted for diversion. Ceilings will be source-separated and diverted through the Armstrong Ceiling Recycling Program.

c. LEEDv4-MRc5 -

- i. Option 1: Divert ceilings to qualify for one of the 3 material streams (50%)
- ii. Option 2: Divert ceilings to qualify for one of the 4 material streams (75%)

1.10 WARRANTY

A. Suspension: Submit a written warranty executed by the manufacturer, agreeing to repair or replace panels that fail within the warranty period. Failures include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Grid System: Rusting and manufacturer's defects

B. Warranty Period

- 1. Grid: Ten years from date of substantial completion
- C. The Warranty shall not deprive the Owner of other rights the Owner may have under other provisions of the Contract Documents and will be in addition to and run concurrent with other warranties made by the Contractor under the requirements of the Contract Documents.

1.11 MAINTENANCE

A. Extra Materials: Deliver extra materials to Owner. Furnish extra materials described below that match products installed. Packaged with protective covering for storage and identified with appropriate labels.

1. Exposed Suspension System Components: Furnish quantity of each exposed suspension component equal to 2.0 percent of amount installed.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURERS

- A. Suspension Systems:
 - 1. Armstrong World Industries, Inc.

2.2.1 METAL SUSPENSION SYSTEMS

A. Components:

Main beams and cross tees, base metal and end detail, fabricated from commercial quality hot dipped galvanized steel complying with ASTM A 653. Main beams and cross tees are double-web steel construction with type exposed flange design. Exposed surfaces chemically cleansed, capping prefinished galvanized steel in baked polyester paint. Main beams and cross tees shall have rotary stitching.

- a. Structural Classification: ASTM C 635 Heavy Duty duty
- Color: White (custom colors are available to match Ultima Create! ceiling panels).
- b. Main beams: Length 12ft. web height 2 7/16" with peaked roof top bulb and 15/16 inch bottom flange, item 730145
- c. Cross tee: Length 4ft. web height 2 7/16 inch" with peaked roof top bulb and 15/16 inch bottom flange, item XL7345
- d. Cross Tee: Length 2ft. web height 2 7/16" with peaked roof top bulb and 15/16 inch bottom flange, item XL7325
 - e. Acceptable Product: Prelude XL Max as manufactured by Armstrong Ceilings

B. Attachment Devices:

Size for five times design load indicated in ASTM C 635, Table 1, Direct Hung unless otherwise indicated.

C. Edge Moldings and Trim:

D. Accessories:

- a. Prelude Max Hanging Clip (PMHC) as manufactured by Armstrong Ceilings
- i. Increases main beam to cross tee connection strength and carry system load with 3/8" threaded rod from structure.
- ii. Carries the system load with 3/8" threaded rod from structure when plenum obstructions prevent the use of the PMHC Clip at the main beam and cross tee intersection.
 - b. Prelude XL Max Load Connector (PMLC) as manufactured by Armstrong Ceilings
- i. Supports bus bar, cable trays and other components with 3/8" threaded rod along the suspension system face.
 - c. Intersection Joint Clip (IJC) as manufactured by Armstrong Ceilings
 - i. Increases main beam to cross tee connection strength.
 - d. Cross Tee Adapter Clip (XTAC) as manufactured by Armstrong Ceilings
 - i. Attaches cross tee or main beams to the structural wall molding.
 - e. Top Lock Main Beam Splice Clip (TLMBS) as manufactured by Armstrong Ceilings
 - i. Locks two main beams together for a secure connection.
 - f. Prelude XL Max Hold Down Clip (PMHDC) as manufactured by Armstrong Ceilings
 - i. Holds ceiling planes in place, helps prevent ceiling panel movement.
 - g. Structural Wall Angle (SWA9878HRC) as manufactured by Armstrong Ceilings

E. Attachment Devices: Size for five times design load indicated in ASTM C 635, Table 1, Direct Hung unless otherwise indicated.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 EXAMINATION

A. Do not proceed with installation until all wet work such as concrete, terrazzo, plastering and painting has been completed and thoroughly dried out, unless expressly permitted by manufacturer's printed recommendations. (Exception: HumiGuard Max Ceilings)

3.2 PREPARATION

- A. Measure each ceiling area and establish layout of acoustical units to balance border widths at opposite edges of each ceiling. Avoid use of less than half width units at borders, and comply with reflected ceiling plans. Coordinate panel layout with mechanical and electrical fixtures.
- B. Coordination: Furnish layouts for preset inserts, clips, and other ceiling anchors whose installation is specified in other sections.
- 1. Furnish concrete inserts and similar devices to other trades for installation well in advance of time needed for coordination of other work.

3.3.1 INSTALLATION

- A. Follow manufacturer installation instructions.
- B. Install suspension system and panels in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, and in compliance with ASTM C 636 and with the authorities having jurisdiction.
- C. Install Prelude Max Hanging Clip at main beam to cross-tee locations at minimum of 4' on-center to strengthen and carry the system with 3/8"-16 threaded rod ASTM rated from structure. Refer to manufacturer's technical data for load carrying capacity.
- D. Install Prelude XL Max Load Connector used to support bus bars, cable trays and other components with 3/8"-16 threaded rod.
- E. Use Prelude Max Hanging Clips to carry ceiling system with 3/8"-16 threaded rod from any route location along the main beam when plenum obstructions prevent the use of the Intersection Hanging Clip. Refer to manufacturer's Technical Guide for load carrying capacity information.
- F. Install wall moldings at intersection of suspended ceiling and vertical surfaces. Miter corners where wall moldings intersect or install corner caps.

3.4 ADJUSTING AND CLEANING

- A. Replace damaged and broken panels.
- B. Clean exposed surfaces of acoustical ceilings, including trim, edge moldings, and suspension members. Comply with manufacturer's instructions for cleaning and touch up of minor finish damage. Remove any ceiling products that cannot be successfully cleaned and or repaired. Replace with attic stock or new product to eliminate evidence of damage.
- C. Before disposing of ceilings, contact the Armstrong Recycling Center at 877-276-7876, select option #1 then #8 to review with a consultant the condition and location of building where the ceilings will be removed. The consultant will verify the condition of the material and that it meets the Armstrong requirements for recycling. The Armstrong consultant with provide assistance to facilitate the recycle of the ceiling.