SECTION 26 2913 - ENCLOSED MOTOR CONTROLLERS

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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: The extent of motor starter work is as shown and scheduled, as indicated by the requirements of this Section, and as specified elsewhere in these Specifications.
- B. Types: The types of motor starters required for the project include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - 1. Individual motor starters.
 - 2. Combination motor starters.
 - 3. Manual motor starters.
- 1.3 STANDARDS
- A. Products shall be designed, manufactured, tested, and installed in compliance with the following standards:
 - 1. NEMA ICS 2 Industrial Control Devices, Controllers, and Assemblies.
 - 2. NEMA KS 1 Enclosed Switches.

1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Manufacturers: Provide products complying with these specifications and produced by one of the following:
 - 1. Allen-Bradley, Rockwell Automation.
 - 2. Eaton.
 - 3. ABB.
 - 4. Square D Company.
 - 5. Siemens.
- B. UL Listing: Motor starters shall conform to all applicable UL Standards and shall be UL-listed.

1.5 SUBMITTALS

- A. Shop drawing submittals shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - 1. Cut sheets of individual and combination motor starters with construction, ratings, voltage, poles, and all associated accessories clearly indicated.
 - 2. Cut sheets of manual motor starters with ratings, voltage, poles, and all associated accessories clearly indicated.
 - 3. Cut sheets of manual motor disconnect switches with ratings, voltage, poles, and all associated accessories clearly indicated.
 - 4. Additional information as required in Section 26 0001 "Electrical General Provisions".
- 1.6 PRODUCT DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING:
 - A. Store motor starters in a clean, dry space. Maintain factory-wrapping or provide an additional heavy canvas or heavy plastic cover to protect units from dirt, water, construction debris, and traffic.
 - B. Handle motor starters carefully to avoid damage to material components, enclosure and finish.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 INDIVIDUAL MOTOR STARTERS

- A. General: Individual motor starters shall consist of an integrally mounted, magnetic, full-voltage, nonreversing (FVNR), 2-speed - 1-winding (2S-1W), or 2-speed - 2-winding (2S-2W) starter in a heavyduty type, dead front, sheet steel enclosure and shall be surface-mounted. Size and number of poles shall be as shown and required by equipment served. All starters shall be constructed and tested in accordance with the latest NEMA standards and shall be NEMA standard sizes. IEC sizes are not acceptable. All starters shall contain 480V – 120V control transformer.
- B. Contacts: Magnetic starter contacts shall be solid silver cadmium oxide alloy and shall not require any filing, dressing or cleaning throughout the life of the starter.
- C. Operating Coils: Operating coils shall be 120 volts and shall be pressure molded and designed so that accidental exposure to excessive voltage up to 480 volts will not damage the coil. The starter design shall also be such that when a coil fails due to an overvoltage condition, the starter shall definitely open and shall not freeze in the closed position.

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- D. Overload Relays: All starters shall have manual reset, trip free selectable class 20 solid state overload relays. Overload relays shall have visual trip indication. Relays shall provide protection against phase current loss, and phase current unbalance for all 3 phases. Relay shall not be field convertible from manual to automatic reset. Rating shall be set based on actual motor nameplate full load amps without service factor. Relay shall have adjustable full load current dial. Where solid state adjustable overloads cannot be provided, overload relays shall be standard electromechanical three phase class 20 without ambient compensation.
- E. Pilot Lights: Provide red RUNNING pilot lights and green not running pilot lights for all motor starters. Furnish additional pilot lights for motor starters as shown. Provide FAST and green SLOW pilot lights for all two speed starters. Pilot lights shall be mounted in the starter enclosure cover. Pilot lights shall be operated from an interlock on the motor starter and shall not be wired across the operating coil. Pilot lights shall be LED type.
- F. Controls: Provide starters with HAND-OFF-AUTOMATIC switches, or START-STOP pushbuttons as shown or required. Provide for FAST-SLOW speed selection from HVAC control system in the automatic position for all two speed starters. Provide two-speed starters with FAST-SLOW selector switches for manual speed selection in the HAND position. All two speed starters shall have deceleration relays between fast and slow speeds. Coordinate motor starter controls with the requirements of Division 23 [and 22]. Motor starter controls shall be mounted in the starter enclosure cover.
- G. Control Power: A single-phase control power transformer shall be included integrally with each starter for 120 volt control power. The primary shall be connected to the line side of the motor starter and shall have both legs fused; the secondary shall have one leg fused and one leg grounded. Arrange transformer terminals so that wiring to terminals will not be located above the transformer.
- H. Auxiliary Contacts: Each starter shall have a minimum of one normally open and one normally closed convertible auxiliary contact in addition to the number of contacts required for the "holding interlock". Provide additional contacts if required for control, interlock, and monitoring. In addition, the starter shall have provisions to field-install one or more additional auxiliary contacts without removing existing wiring or removing the starter from its enclosure.
- I. Unit Wiring: Unit shall be completely prewired to terminals to eliminate any interior field wiring except for:
 - 1. Connection of power supply conductors to switch line side terminals.
 - 2. Motor leads to the starter load side terminals.
 - 3. Control conductors to holding coil terminals.
- J. Enclosures: All motor starter enclosures shall be NEMA 1, general purpose enclosures, unless shown otherwise.

2.2 COMBINATION MOTOR STARTERS

A. General: Combination motor starters shall consist of an integrally mounted magnetic starter and a breaker type disconnect switch in a heavy-duty type, dead front, sheet steel NEMA Type 1 enclosure, surface-mounted. Size and number of poles shall be as shown and required by equipment served.

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Combination motor starters shall be as specified for individual motor starters in Paragraph 2.1, except as modified herein.

- B. Disconnect Switch: Disconnect switches shall be as specified in Section 26 2818 "Enclosed Switches".
- C. Unit Wiring: Unit shall be completely prewired to terminals to eliminate any interior field wiring except for:
 - 1. Connection of power supply conductors to switch line side terminals.
 - 2. Motor leads to the starter load side terminals.
 - 3. Control conductors to holding coil terminals.
- D. Enclosures: All combination motor starter enclosures shall be NEMA 1, general purpose enclosures, unless shown otherwise.

2.3 MANUAL MOTOR STARTERS

- A. General: Manual motor starters shall consist of an integral starter and overload protection in a common enclosure, surface-mounted. Size and number of poles shall be as shown and required by equipment served. Furnish pilot light as indicated.
- B. Manual Motor Starter: Manual motor starter with overload protection, one horsepower maximum, 115 or 208 volts; Square D Class 2510 FG-1-(1) Pole, FG-2-(2) Pole; Square D Class 2510 FG-1P-(1) Pole with pilot light, and FG-2P-(2) Pole with pilot light.
- C. Enclosures: All manual motor starter enclosures shall be NEMA 1, general purpose enclosures, unless shown otherwise.
- D. Switch: For self-protected motors where a single pole toggle motor control switch is allowed, the switch shall be as specified for toggle switches in Section 26 2726, "Wiring Devices".

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 INSTALLATION OF MOTOR STARTERS

- A. General: Install motor starters where shown, in accordance with the manufacturer's written instructions, the applicable requirements of the NEC and the NECA's "Standard of Installation", and recognized industry practices to ensure that products serve the intended function. Major equipment motor starters located in mechanical rooms that are a part of the main building service shall be located so as to be accessible within 48 inches without requiring ladder access.
- B. Select and install heater elements in motor starters to match installed motor characteristics.
- C. Mount with operating handle at not more than 5 feet 6 inches above finished floor. Align the tops of all grouped starters. Install plumb and aligned in the plane of the wall in which they are installed.
- D. Provide supports of galvanized angle or other suitable material where mounting motor starters on wall or other rigid surface is impractical. Do not support starters from conduit alone. Locate motor starters that are mounted on equipment served so that the starter will not inhibit the removal of any service panel or interfere with required access.
- E. Mount in accessible location to allow sufficient room for maintenance of starters and adjacent items.
- F. Securely mount all starters indicated.

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- G. Coordination: Motor starters and starter controls shall be provided to properly coordinate with motors as furnished by Divisions 23 [and 22].
- H. Supports: Provide all individual and combination motor starters with galvanized angle or other suitable supports where mounting on wall or other rigid surface is impractical. Starters shall not be supported by conduit alone. Where motor starters are mounted on equipment served, the switch shall not inhibit removal of any service panels or interfere with any required access areas. All motor starters shall be installed plumb and aligned in the plane of the wall in/on which they are installed.
- 3.2 TESTING
 - A. Pre-energization Check: Check motor starters for continuity of circuits, short circuits, presence of foreign material, and remedy prior to energizing.
 - B. Post Hookup Test: Subsequent to wire and cable hook-ups, energize motor starter and perform a functional test. All aspects of the motor starter per the schematic shall be functioned tested including all auxiliary installed such HOA/start stop/indicating lights/contacts/etc.
 - C. Motor-starter Coordination Documentation: Provide motor-starter coordination documents including, but not limited to, the following information in the operation and maintenance manuals.
 - 1. Motor size in horsepower.
 - 2. Motor full load amps.
 - 3. Motor efficiency.
 - 4. Motor service factor.
 - 5. Size and manufacturer's catalog number of starter and thermal overloads.
- D. Motor Rotation: Verify that motor rotation is correct as connected. Where rotation must be changed, reconnect phase conductors to motor leads at the motor junction box.
- 3.3 IDENTIFICATION
 - A. Refer to Section 26 0553 "Identification for Electrical Systems", for painting and nameplate requirements for all motor starters.
 - B. Every starter shall have an internal wiring diagram on the inside of the starter cover and shall be labeled inside the cover to indicate the type and ampacity of thermal overloads installed.

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