

## SECTION 15778

### LOW VOLTAGE DE-ICING / SNOW MELTING SYSTEM UNDER METAL ROOFING

#### PART 1 GENERAL

##### 1.1 SUMMARY

- A. Includes But Not Limited To:
  - 1. Furnish and install low voltage de-icing / snow melting cable system under metal roofing as described in Contract Documents
  
- B. Related Sections:
  - 1. Section 07310 - Metal Shingles
  - 2. Section 07410 - Metal Roof Panels
  - 3. Section 07610 - Sheet Metal Roofing
  - 4. Section 07620 - Sheet Metal Flashing and Trim.
  - 5. Division 16 - Appropriate sections for grounding and bonding and power supply connections.

##### 1.2 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

- A. The area covered and heat density (measured by Watts or BTU equivalent) per linear foot of heating element or square foot of area for each Heatizon System product are determined by the spacing between adjacent runs of heating element, the total length of heating element, and the size of the transformer. See manufacturer's installation instructions for more detailed information.

##### 1.3 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: Submit manufacturer's technical product data and written installation instructions for snow melting cable system.
  
- B. Shop Drawings: At Architect's request, submit drawings showing layout of system control box, activation device, grounding connections, and heating cables required to provide complete operating system.
  
- C. Quality Control Submittals: Submit manufacturer's written maintenance and operation instructions and copy of system manufacturers standard warranty for system.
  
- D. Warranty: Submit copy of system manufacturer's standard warranty for system.

##### 1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Manufacturer's Qualifications:
  - 1. Firm regularly engaged in manufacturing of electric cable heating elements, of type, sizes and ratings required, whose products have been in satisfactory use in similar service for not less than five years.
  
- B. Installer Qualifications:
  - 1. Licensed Contractor with a minimum of two years successful certified experience installing projects utilizing heating cable systems equal to systems specified in this section.
  
- C. Regulatory Requirements:
  - 1. Comply with applicable local electrical code requirements of local authorities having jurisdiction.

2. Provide products that are listed, recognized, and labeled by Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) that include but are not limited to:
  - a. ETL subsidiary of Intertek Testing Laboratories,
  - b. Canadian Standards Association (CSA), and
  - c. Underwriters Laboratories (UL).
3. Conform with requirements of "Safety for Electric Radiant Heating Panels and Heating Panel Sets" (UL - 1693, 1st Edition, dated December 11, 1996).
4. Conform with requirements of "Outline of investigation for Roof and Gutter De-icing Cable Units," (UL – 1588 Issue 4, dated May 24, 2002), and "IEEE Recommended Practice for Electrical Impedance, Inductive and Skin Effect Heating of Pipelines and Vessels" (IEEE 844-2000).
5. Conform with requirements of "Dry-Type General Purpose and Power Transformers" (UL – 1561).

## 1.5 DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

- A. Deliver, store, and handle in accordance with manufacturer's written instructions. Store materials in indoor dry location off the ground.
- B. Remove damaged materials from job site and replace with new at no additional cost to Owner.

## 1.6 WARRANTY

- A. Provide Manufacturer's Standard Warranty with following requirements:
  1. Control Box Components - One year
  2. Power Transformer - Five years
  3. Heating Element - 25 years

## PART 2 PRODUCTS

### 2.1 MANUFACTURER

- A. Heatizon Systems, 4403 South 500 West, Murray, Utah 84123, (888) 239-1232  
[www.heatizon.com](http://www.heatizon.com).

### 2.2 COMPONENTS

- A. Heating Element:
  1. Copper stranded cable insulated with chemical- and gasoline-resistant thermoplastic vinyl and sheathed with nylon jacket for corrosion and mechanical protection.
  2. Rated for operating at variable output of 0 to 12 watts per linear foot.
  3. Maximum Operating Voltage: 0.116 volts per linear foot of heating element.
  4. Maximum Secondary Voltage: Not to exceed 32.0 volts.
  5. Heating Element Operating Temperature: Not to exceed 90 degrees C.
  6. Heatizon Systems Tuff Cable number E101 (UL E174340)
- B. Heatsink Kit:
  1. Heatsink Board:
    - a. Manufacturer's standard pre-cut strips.
    - b. Sizes:
      - 1) Starting Strip: one inch by 60 inch by 1/4 inch.
      - 2) Middle Strip: 5½ inch by 60 inch by 1/4 inch.
      - 3) Ending Strip: 3 inch by 60 inch by 1/4 inch.
      - 4) Return Cap: 3 inch by 35-1/2 inch by 1/4 inch.
      - 5) Origination Cap: 3 inch by 29-3/4 inch by 1/4 inch.
      - 6) Large End Cap: 3 inch by 2-7/8 inch by 1/4 inch.

- 7) Small End Caps: 3 inch by 7/8 inch by 1/4 inch.
  2. Grout: Manufacturers standard pre-mixed thin set mortar.
  3. Attachments:
    - a. 7/8 inch wood screws.
    - b. Contractors option: Stainless steel nail protectors.
- C. Heating Cable Power Transformer:
1. Properly sized so cable heating element operation is less than 96 amps.
  2. Multi tapped on primary side to allow for operation of supply of 120, 208, 240, and/or 277 volts.
  3. Multi tapped on secondary side to allow proper operation when operating range of heating elements lengths.
  4. Heatizon Systems Options:
    - a. S050 (0.5kVA)
    - b. S101 (1kVA)
    - c. S102 (2kVA)
    - d. S103 (3kVA)
    - e. S202 (2x 2kVA) (single primary with dual secondaries)
    - f. S203 (2x3kVA) (single primary with dual secondaries)
- D. Control Box:
1. Provide unit that:
    - a. Soft starts transformer.
    - b. Monitors overall system for proper and safe operation.
    - c. Interfaces with activation device.
    - d. Shuts system off in event of fault, and
    - e. Provides protection for overcurrent, undercurrent and high temperature transformer (CBX6T and CBX23T models have a 24VAC power supply for Activation Device).
  2. Provide means of faults and fault status.
  3. Fitted with power service disconnect rated for system operating range.
  4. Heatizon Systems Control Box: SLC500, CBX6, CBX6T, CBX23, and CBX23T (CBX6T and CBX23T models have a 24VAC power supply for Activation Device).
- E. Activation Device
1. Provide unit with a dry contact rated for 1 amp and 250 volts AC.
  2. Provide one of the following:
    - a. Aerial Mounted Temperature - Moisture Sensor: Model M326 which requires Selector Box Model M329 or CBX6T / CBX23T.
    - b. 12 hour Mechanical Timer: Model M325D.
    - c. 24 hour Programmable Timer: Model M323.
    - d. Electronic Temperature contact: Model M336.
    - e. Remote Temperature Controller: Model M322.
    - f. Gutter Snow Switch: Model M335.
- F. System Accessories:
- a. Butt Splice: Model E210BS
  - b. Gutter Controller: Model M332 (Turns gutter/downspout on whenever roof system is on).

## **PART 3 EXECUTION**

### **3.1 EXAMINATION**

- A. Examine roof deck for proper installation, cleanliness, or condition that may hinder successful installation of snow melt system.
1. Notify Contractor in writing of items needing correction.
  2. Do not install snow melt system until faulty conditions are corrected.

### **3.2 INSTALLATION**

- A. Interface with Other Work: Coordinate installation of low voltage cable heat melt system with appropriate sections in Division 07 for roofing material and appropriate sections of Division 16 Electrical.
- B. Install snow melting system, including Heatsink Kit, Heating Element, Transformer, Control Box, and Activation Device, in accordance with Manufacturer's written instructions and approved shop drawings.
- C. Install optional moisture barrier on roof deck where Heatsink Kit will be installed. Install moisture barrier over all of Heatsink Kit once Tuff Cable element has been installed to enclose element in water tight barrier.
- D. Attach manufacturer's supplied red octagonal warning sign (STOP! DANGER!) spaced equally on De-Icing / Snow Melt System on roof.

### **3.3 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL**

- A. Testing as directed by system manufacturer:
  - 1. Prior to covering, visually inspect heating element and cold leads for cuts and damage; repair as necessary.
  - 2. Check for continuity to any conductive material, including but not limited to metal; eliminate as necessary.
  - 3. Conduct After-Installation Element Tests per manufacturer's installation instructions. Test system in presence of Architect, Contractor, and Owner's Representative, to be certain system functions in accordance with design intent.
- B. Verify that all heating element is completely embedded.
- C. Immediately prior to and immediately following attachment of roofing material, check each cable element system for electrical continuity and check for electrical isolation (resistance) to ground and any metallic materials near cable heating element.

### **3.4 DEMONSTRATION**

- A. Provide adequate demonstration and training to Owner in operation and maintenance of system.

END OF SECTION