

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES
TELECOMMUNICATIONS DIVISION**

CDF RADIO VAULT SPACE APPLICATION (8000)

(No. 9 Sept. 1995)

**Non-State Users
TD 312 (Rev. 11-94)**

GENERAL INFORMATION

The State of California operates telecommunications facilities at numerous mountaintop locations throughout the State. These facilities were developed for use by State agencies requiring radio communications.

Space at these facilities is made available to other than State of California users when it is surplus to the State's requirements. As the space is limited, State of California agencies are always given first priority. Non-state applicants will be considered in the following order:

1. Federal government agencies
2. Local government agencies
3. Public utilities
4. Private sector entities.

In making space available, the State of California attempts to recover its operating, maintenance and management costs. Users are not guaranteed that State facilities will be accessible or operable at all times. Leases are generally issued for five-year periods; in some circumstances the lease period may vary. Leases will be considered for renewal at the end of their term, subject to the space requirements of the State of California.

The rates charged for occupancy of radio vaults controlled by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) will be negotiated for this lease. Applications shall be directed to the following address:

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
Technical Services Station
Real Property Management Unit
PO Box 944246
Sacramento, CA 94244-2460

Because it is necessary for the State to recover the costs of reviewing, managing and engineering a proposed installation, all tenants will be required to pay a non-refundable application fee when they make formal application for access to a CDF-controlled vault.

It is understood that a non-refundable application fee of \$500.00 must accompany this application when it is returned to CDF for review. Make the check payable to the "State of California."

Once the application has been received by CDF Headquarters, it will be logged in for processing and will be prioritized based upon workload guidelines shown in paragraph two above. The TD 312 will be forwarded to the local unit staff for evaluation. If it is felt to be appropriate, it will continue in its processing; if it is deemed inappropriate, either due to no space being available or due to the negative impact that the installation would have on CDF operations, the application will be returned without further action.

As a part of this process, the TD 312 will be forwarded to the Department of General Services, Telecommunications Division (DGS-TD) for technical review. A study will be performed to determine the impact of the application on the existing users at the site, and specific recommendations will be made. These may result in further processing of the application or, if serious technical difficulties are found, cancellation of the TD 312.

Any subsequent time required for site engineering, antenna or combining system upgrades, or technician labor will be borne by the applicant at the current rate, plus a program management fee. The applicant will be notified in writing by CDF of the amount due prior to occupancy of the vault. No further processing of the application will take place until a written approval of these expenses, as well as a commitment to pay, is received from the applicant by CDF. **NOTE:** Modification of site-master antenna or combining systems may NOT be done by a tenant. Such modifications must be designed by DGS-TD engineering and installed by DGS-TD-approved technician resources.

A fee will be required when this agreement is submitted for renewal, or when changes are made to an existing agreement and the preparation of a new agreement is necessary. **NOTE:** The addition or deletion of any transmitting or receiving frequencies, antennas or equipment is cause for submitting a new form TD 312. Paperwork must be submitted to and approved by CDF prior to the proposed changes taking place in the facility.

It shall be understood by all applicants that the State is NOT obligated to upgrade any facility to accommodate any lessee. Any improvement required prior to the entry shall be the sole financial responsibility of the lessee. The lessee shall be notified in writing of the upgrades required to accommodate their installation, and payment for these upgrades must be arranged prior to the installation of any such equipment. Any said improvements, including the installation or modification of site-master antenna, combining or power systems, shall remain the property of CDF unless otherwise stipulated in the lease. **NOTE:** This excludes the actual radio transmitting and receiving equipment, as well as individual antennas installed for the sole use of the lessee and not part of a master-site arrangement.

Please complete, sign and return attached "Application" sheets and "Technical Data" sheets to make a formal application. Please note that the information on the "Technical Data" shall reflect what the applicant desires to install at the facility. Upon completion of engineering analysis of the application, the actual installation requirements may be substantially different from the initial request. These will be communicated to the tenant in writing, and the tenant must comply with these requirements in making his/her installation.

All requested information must be supplied to have this application processed. Failure to do so will result in the application being returned for resubmission, complete with an additional non-refundable application fee. Processing time will also be delayed accordingly.

Please attach separate sheets for any remarks or special comments required.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CDF-CONTROLLED SITES

The following are the maximum radio frequency power outputs for radio equipment in CDF-controlled facilities:

RADIO SERVICE	FREQUENCY RANGE	MAXIMUM TRANSMITTER POWER OUTPUT TO ANTENNA
FM Broadcast	88-108 MHz	500 watts
Television Broadcast	54-72 MHz, 76-88 MHz, 174-216 MHz, 470-806 MHz	500 watts
AM Broadcast	535-1705 KHz	10 watts
VHF Low Band	28-54 MHz	120 watts
VHF Mid Band	72-76 MHz	50 watts
VHF High Band	136-174 MHz	150 watts
UHF Band	406-512 MHz	150 watts
800/900 Band	806-952 MHz	125 watts
Microwave	952-960 MHz	20 watts
Microwave	1850-6875 MHz	20 watts

The following additional standards must be adhered to for any installation at a CDF-controlled site:

1. Each transmitter at the site must be identified with an approved and completed "FCC ID tag" along with the name and phone number of the person responsible for the operation of that transmitter.
2. Control stations and "inverted pairs" on FCC-designated repeater channels will generally not be allowed at a site.
3. Only FCC-type accepted transmitters, designed for use in a high-RF, multi-user environment will be allowed to be installed at a site. All equipment shall be installed and operated in accordance with the site lessor's authorization and approval.
4. Transmitters and receivers will be combined and/or multi-coupled to the maximum extent possible, consistent with the specific system performance requirements of the lessee. A one-time "site assessment" cost may be incurred.
5. All systems NOT connected to the lessor's combining network must be installed to comply with site standards, require lessor's prior engineering approval and meet the following minimum requirements:
 - a) Each transmitter shall have a protective isolator, harmonic filter and band-pass cavity (BPC) which meets the minimum attenuation levels listed in Table 1. The isolator and harmonic filter shall precede the BPC in the transmit path;
 - b) Notch-type duplexers must include a BPC meeting the requirements in Table 1 in the transmit leg prior to the duplexer input port;
 - c) Additional filters, BPCs, isolators and other hardware may be required at the lessee's expense to correct site problems as a result of the lessee's installation;
 - d) RF cabling between pieces of equipment within a rack shall be of double-shielded or solid outer conductor variety, such as RG-214, RG-142 or RG-400 cables. **NOTE:** In general, cabling supplied within a manufacturer's piece of equipment is sufficient to meet this requirement. In some circumstances, however, it may become necessary to modify the equipment to meet the special needs of the site;

- e) RF cabling between racks of equipment in a vault, including cables to and from combining equipment and antenna feedthrough ports, shall be of the solid outer conductor variety. In general, all receive lines within the vault shall be 1/4" diameter, such as Andrews FSJ1-50B or equivalent; all transmit lines within the vault shall be 1/2" diameter, such as Andrews FSJ4-50B or equivalent. All feedlines outside the vault, such as between the antenna pigtail and the lightning arrestor plate, shall be at least 1/2" diameter solid-shield cable equivalent to Andrews LDF4-50A HELIAX;
- f) RF connectors on transmit cables shall be Type "N" wherever possible unless the particular piece of manufacturer's equipment has another type of connector installed. RF connectors on receive cables MAY be Type "BNC", although Type "N" is highly recommended. Again, if the manufacturer's equipment has another type of connector installed, this type of connector is acceptable for that junction;
- g) Tiewraps designed for external use, such as the Panduit "76" series TEFZEL cable tie, or another insulated clamp or strap shall be used to secure transmission lines to towers and/or cable ladders. Rubber "donut"-type hangers such as those manufactured by Microfect are also acceptable to be used to secure transmission lines. **Metal clamps, "wraplock," "Band-It" ties, or similar metal strapping for attaching feedlines to a mounting structure is prohibited at CDF facilities.** If the facility has a wood-pole structure for mounting antennas, the use of utility pipe clamps or conduit clamps is permitted for fastening the feedline to the structure;
- h) CDF telecommunications facilities are generally designed to accommodate equipment housed in 7'6" tall open frame relay racks, such as the Chatsworth model 46050-505 rack. Racks shall be fastened to the floor with an approved anchor, and connected to an overhead cable tray via an approved method, such as via a length of Chatsworth 11450-001 framing channel and using "J-bolt" kits. A rack elevation diagram is attached to illustrate how equipment will be housed in the 7'6" rack. Complete/return this diagram with the application form;
- i) Most CDF telecommunications sites have extensive lightning and surge protection systems installed, including lightning arrestor mounting panels. All transmission lines must enter and exit the vault via one of these entry panels using the approved method outlined in the technical requirements of the lease document;

- j) All equipment installed in a CDF telecommunication site must be connected to the site's ground system. Generally, a ground pigtail will be supplied in the cable tray above the equipment rack. All connections to the ground system must be made via compression fittings or bolted joints. "Split-bolt" connectors are unacceptable as junctions;
- k) All antenna mounts shall be hot-dip-galvanized, and all mounting hardware shall be either hot-dip-galvanized or stainless-steel. Electro-galvanized or plated material for mounting of antennas is not permissible. The use of aluminum for mounting cross-arms or cross-over plates is allowed. At sites where wood pole structures are used, it is not permitted to drill holes through the poles to mount antennas or cross-arms. The only acceptable method of mounting an antenna to such a structure is via a "collar" that clamps around the entire circumference of the pole, sandwiching the pole inside. Such a collar must also be hot-dip-galvanized in construction and use galvanized or stainless-steel hardware.

TABLE ONE

FREQUENCY BAND	ISOLATOR REVERSE ISOLATION	BPC ATTENUATION AT FREQUENCY FROM CARRIER
28-54 MHz	15 dB	20 dB at " 500 kHz
72-76 MHz	25 dB	20 dB at " 600 kHz
136-174 MHz	50 dB	25 dB at " 200 kHz
406-470 MHz	50 dB	15 dB at " 1 MHz
806-952 MHz	50 dB	20 dB at " 2 MHz

APPLICATION FORM

In accordance with the attached Technical Data Sheet(s), application is hereby made to:

- G Establish new lease
- G Modify lease (describe specific changes)
- G Renew lease with modification as stated:

G Renew lease (no changes, technical sheets must be completed)

G Lease _____ square feet

for vault space and related antenna space at _____.
(site name)

Power requirements for operations of communications equipment are:

G Commercial and emergency power

G Commercial power only

G No power required

NOTE: Some radio vault facilities provide commercial and emergency power to each rack space without exception, and the tenant will be charged accordingly.

FREQUENCY INFORMATION:

Transmit: _____ Receive: _____

It is understood that if any subsequent on-site testing is required, it will be charged to the lessee at the current rate determined by the State. In addition, any required engineering or technician labor charges or parts procurement expenses, plus a program management fee, will be rebilled to the lessee at the current rates being charged by the State. Prior to these charges being incurred, a written estimate and acceptance document will be forwarded to the applicant for review and signature.

Applicant: _____
By: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

Receipt of a non-refundable application fee in the amount of \$500.00 is hereby acknowledged.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION

By: _____
Date: _____

NOTE: A fee will be required when this agreement is renewed on a five-year term, or when changes are made to an existing agreement and the preparation of a new agreement is required.



Additional space desired to mount cavities, duplexers, batteries, etc.:

G Wall Space G Floor Space _____(HxWxD, inches)
G Rack Space G Additional space not required

Space for battery facilities required, if any, including charger:

G Wall Space G Floor Space _____(HxWxD, inches)
G Radio Rack G Not required

Maximum power consumption: TRANSMIT: _____ Watts RECEIVE: _____ Watts
at

Voltage: G 110 Volts AC G 12 Volts DC G 48 Volts DC
 G Other _____

EQUIPMENT DATA

Provide data for each piece of equipment to be installed in each vault space. Be sure to include a system block diagram on the page furnished for that purpose. Duplicate this page as required to show all equipment desired to be installed:

TRANSMITTER #1 Power output _____ W

Frequency(s)
Make and Model

RECEIVER #1

Frequency(s)
Make and Model

TRANSMITTER #2 Power output _____ W

Frequency(s)
Make and Model

RECEIVER #2

Frequency(s)
Make and Model

TRANSMITTER #3 Power output ___ W

Frequency(s)
Make and Model

RECEIVER #3

Frequency(s)
Make and Model

TRANSMITTER #4 Power output ___ W

Frequency(s)
Make and Model

RECEIVER #4

Frequency(s)
Make and Model

ANTENNA DATA

Please provide a listing of each antenna desired to be installed at this vault facility. Be sure to show each antenna in the system block diagram on the page provided for that purpose.

Antenna Number	Make and Model	Length or M/W dish size	Gain (dBd) (dBi for M/W)	Azimuth (relative to true north)	Height desired (feet)*
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					

*For VHF antennas, show desired height to base of antenna support. For microwave dishes, show desired height to center of radiating element.

AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT DATA

For each transmitter, receiver or combination, supply the following:

Make and model of cavity(s), filter(s), isolator(s), duplexer(s), etc., desired to be installed at this site. Please indicate the desired location where these items are to be mounted in the vault. Be sure to include these elements on the system block diagram on the page provided for that purpose.

SYSTEM BLOCK DIAGRAM:

Please provide a block diagram of the proposed installation at this radio vault facility. Be sure to include all elements of the system, including transmitters, receivers, power sources, antennas, protective devices, telephone lines, multiplex circuits, etc. Use additional sheets if necessary. Refer to the attached example if desired. Please be sure to label the operating frequency of each piece of equipment in the system, as appropriate.

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