NOTICE REGARDING GROUND WIRE Effective January 1, 2009





As of January 1, 2009 NES will require the Customer to provide the ground wire installed in underground trenches.

The ground wire must meet NES Specifications as shown below. The Customer must provide the size required by NES. NES will determine the ground wire size as part of the job design, and will notify the Customer which size is required at the Pre-Construction Meeting. Ground wire will be either #2AWG 7 strand or 4/0 AWG 7 strand, depending on the specific requirements of the Customer's project.

The Customer is also responsible for installation of the ground wire in trenches, and for coordinating any grounding required by telecommunication companies at the NES transformer.

NES Ground Wire Specifications:

Copper cable, bare hard drawn. Compact/ compressed cable is not acceptable. Must conform to ASTM B8-04 or latest revision.

Local NES ground wire vendors

Wire may be purchased elsewhere as long as it meets NES specifications. This list is provided to assist contractors in locating acceptable wire.

- HD Supply Utilities, LTD 1188 Antioch Pike Nashville, TN 37211 615-833-0001 Contacts: Jim Corbitt or Bill Bailey
- Border States Electric Supply (previously Harris Electric)
 P.O. Box 24707
 Nashville, TN 37202
 615-255-4161
 Contacts: Sherry Allen or Bill Saunders
- Stuart C. Irby 1284 Heil Quaker Blvd LaVergne, TN 37086 615-280-3300 Contacts: Russ Sutton or Margie Meeks
- Utilicor
 314 Space Park Drive
 Nashville, TN 37211
 615-837-2650
 Contacts: Sherry Biggs or Bill Bell
- Wesco

 1400 Fort Negley Blvd
 Nashville, TN 37203
 615-242-7301
 Contacts: Randy Conley, Chad Broadbent
- Williams Wholesale Supply 831 A Cowan Street Nashville, TN 37207 615-324-0466 Contact: Steve Cotlarz