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**TECHNICAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE "A" (TELECOMMUNICATIONS) MEETING #768**

**Summary of Decisions**

1. Underground Conduit (Item "hc") – CommScope

Committee A accepted CommScope's Smooth-Wall Coilable Polyethylene Electrical Conduit for listing on page 2.2 as follows:

<b><u>Manufacturer</u></b>	<b><u>Type Conduit</u></b>	<b><u>Catalog Number</u></b>
	<b><u>hc - Underground Conduit</u></b>	
CommScope	Flexible plastic	SDR 13.5, SCH 40 (1/2" - 4")

2. Stored Program Digital Switching Equipment (Item "pc") – MetaSwitch

Committee A accepted the MetaSwitch VP3500 2.3 release for listing on page 6.3 as follows:

**pc - Stored Program Digital Switching Equipment**

<b><u>Manufacturer</u></b>	<b><u>Base</u></b>	<b><u>Accepted System Release<sup>(5)</sup></u></b>	<b><u>Acceptance Classification<sup>(1)</sup></u></b>	<b><u>RST(s)</u></b>
MetaSwitch	VP3500 <sup>(9)</sup>	2.3	A	VP3500

3. Transport Equipment (Item "te") – Advanced Fibre Communications

Committee A granted technical acceptance to Advanced Fibre Communications' TransMAX 1500 system for listing as follows

**te - Transport Equipment**

<b><u>Manufacturer</u></b>	<b><u>Product</u></b>	<b><u>Bit Rate</u></b>	<b><u>RF Band</u></b>
AFC	TransMAX 1500	OC-48	

Miscellaneous

- I. Committee A sent Tekelec a letter dated April 20, 2004, acknowledging Tekelec's acquisition of Taqua, Inc. The April 20 letter also acknowledged revision of page 6.3 to reflect the subsequent change in manufacturer designation from Taqua to "Tekelec" as follows:

pc – Stored Program Digital Switching Equipment

<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Base</u>	<u>Accepted System Release</u> <sup>(5)</sup>	<u>Acceptance Classification</u> <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>RST(s)</u>
Tekelec	iX7000	2.3.0	A	iX7000

- II. Committee A sent Allied Telesyn a letter dated May 4, 2004, acknowledging compliance of the Telesyn 7000 and 9000 product series with the Rural Utilities Service Buy American requirement. These products were already included in the list of non-domestic products web page. The letter also acknowledged the subsequent RUS product acceptance for these products for listing on page 6.1 as follows:

ae - Access Equipment

<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Copper</u>	<u>Fiber</u>	<u>Wireless</u>
Allied Telesyn	Multiservice Access Platform <sup>(15)</sup>	Y	N	N

<sup>(15)</sup>This acceptance includes the 7400 and 7700 units.

- III. Committee A sent Ciena Communications a letter dated a May 4, 2004, acknowledging Ciena's name change for its DN Multiservice Switching Platform family and the subsequent revision of this Ciena product listing on page 6.2 of the List of Materials to reflect the change as follows:

te - Transport Equipment

<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Interface Rate</u>	<u>RF Band</u>
Ciena	DN Multiservice Switching Platform <sup>(11)</sup>	OC-3/12/48	

**Notes:**

<sup>(11)</sup>This listing includes Models 7000, 7050, 7100, and 7200.

- IV. Committee A sent Cisco Systems, Inc., a letter dated May 4, 2004, acknowledging the addition of the OC-192 rate to the current Cisco 15454 transport equipment listing on page 6.2 as follows:

**te - Transport Equipment**

<b><u>Manufacturer</u></b>	<b><u>Product</u></b>	<b><u>Interface Rate</u></b>	<b><u>RF Band</u></b>
Cisco Systems	Cisco 15454	OC-3/12/48/192	

- V. Committee A sent Imperial Pipe a letter dated May 4, 2004, acknowledging the revision of the underground conduit listing on page 2.2 of the List of Materials to reflect the change in manufacturer designation from Americon International to "Imperial Pipe" and deletion of the discontinued PVC conduit. The May 4 letter included the revised listing as follows:

**hc - Underground Conduit**

<b><u>Manufacturer</u></b>	<b><u>Type Conduit</u></b>	<b><u>Catalog Number</u></b>
Imperial Pipe Corp.	Flexible plastic	HDPE Duct

- VI. Committee A sent Bourns, Inc., a letter dated May 18, 2004, acknowledging Bourns purchase of the currently listed Joslyn 2022-60-A gas tube arrester unit and subsequent transfer of acceptance from Joslyn to Bourns. The letter also acknowledged that this product no longer meets RUS' Buy American requirement and consequently, no longer qualifies for listing in Section 5 of the List of Materials. The May 18 letter advised that in lieu of regular listing, the RUS acceptance of the 2022-60-A gas tube has been changed to technical acceptance status and as such, it will now be included on the non-domestic products web page as follows:

**nh – Arrester Units<sup>(1)</sup>**

**nh-a Gas Tubes**

<b><u>Manufacturer</u></b>	<b><u>MDF Module</u></b>	<b><u>Station Module</u></b>	<b><u>Well Mount</u></b>
Bourns, Inc.	-	2022-60-A <sup>(2)(5)</sup>	-

**(Technical Acceptance expires on 5/18/07)**

**Notes:**

<sup>(1)</sup>Arresters listed under this category are not complete protected building entrance terminals (BETs), mainframe protectors, or network interface devices (NIDs). They are intended for use as components, as accepted and listed or technically accepted, in protected BETs, mainframe protectors, and NIDS. Arrester units here shall not be used in an accepted and listed or technically accepted BET, mainframe protector, or NID unless the same arrester

unit is accepted and listed or technically accepted for use in he particular BET, mainframe protector, or NID having RUS acceptance and listing or technical acceptance.

<sup>(2)</sup>2-electrode.

<sup>(3)</sup>3-electrode.

<sup>(4)</sup>Medium duty.

<sup>(5)</sup>Heavy duty.

<sup>(6)</sup>Maximum duty.

Sincerely,

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