

PART 315 – CONNECTION – Revised 05.17.24

- 315.1 The work under this item shall include all excavation, furnishing all materials required, construction, finishing, and backfilling of connections to existing mains, valves, manholes, special connections, service line re-connections, plugs, or in-line tees for future connections, as indicated on the Drawings or as directed by the Inspector.
- 315.2 The drawing shows details of the various connections and they shall be made in accordance with the details or as directed by the Engineer. On water mains, Contractor shall make the pressure and wet connections to existing mains, as shown on the drawing, unless specifically noted otherwise.
- 315.3 Connections to existing manholes shall be made by cutting into the manhole at the specified grade and inserting the pipe. Pipe installation shall be done in accordance with Standard Detail No. 405 using A-LOK or Z-LOK rubber gasket, or the pipe may be grouted in place with hydrophilic waterstop formed around the pipe and the cold joint. Acceptable hydrophilic compound is ADEKA P-201 or approved equal. Joint shall be watertight. Contractor shall not break into any existing sewer unless the Inspector is present, and the work done shall be under the direction of the Inspector. Inlet and outlet pipes at the invert shall not project beyond the interior walls of the manholes. The manhole base shall be cut and reconstructed in such a manner that a proper invert section is maintained. All waste mortar, debris, and sharp edges shall be removed from the joints, bottom, and invert.
- 315.4 Methods of construction shall be the same for house line reconnections as for main sewers. All reconnections shall be constructed in conformance with the Plumbing Code of the City of Tulsa, unless modified herein. New pipe used shall be of the same diameter as the existing line.
- 315.5 Plugs shall be constructed of manhole brick and mortar, extending at least 1' into the line plugged from the manhole. The plug shall be watertight and troweled to a smooth finish on the interior of the manhole.
- 315.6 In-line tee fittings shall be installed for future service connections, as shown on the plans, in accordance with the Standard Detail for in-line tees. The tee shall be capped with a screw plug of either bronze, brass or a detectable plastic, marked by a non-magnetic, mylar tape, and stapled to both sides of a nominal 2" x 4" marker, 8' long, 4' buried, and 4' exposed, directly above fitting plug. The mylar tape shall be minimum 2-1/2" width, green in color, marked "Caution, Sanitary Sewer Below," as manufactured by Terra Tape or Line Guard.
- 315.7 After new water mains have been tested and chlorinated, the Contractor shall excavate around the new main for the service transfer. The existing mains and new mains shall remain in service during the transfer of services. The Contractor shall tap the new main and install a new corporation stop, service clamp, bend, copper tubing or PEX, and required fittings. The new service shall be connected to the existing meter after the service has been tested for leakage. The excavated area shall be backfilled and restored to original condition. Where galvanized service lines are encountered, they

shall be replaced with copper tubing or PEX. Where long services are replaced, they shall be bored under existing pavement. Open cutting will not be permitted unless approved by the Engineer. Copper tubing shall be Type K soft annealed conforming to ASTM B88.

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Payment: Payment for this item shall be made at the unit price bid for each type of connection constructed, or in-line tee for future connection, as specified on the Proposal, or as directed by the Engineer. No additional payment will be made for excavation, backfilling, furnishing and placing of concrete, flowable fill, removing and replacing of manhole steps, if necessary, or for the diversion or pumping of water or sewerage necessary to make the connection. Payment for water service transfers shall be made at the unit price bid for pipe and fittings under the appropriate connection bid item and shall include all necessary excavation, backfill, Right-of-Way clearing and restoring, sodding, seeding, materials, and labor. **Revised 08.18.25**