MCW cooling tower

engineering data and specifications





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AIR MOVEMENT PACKAGE

- Forward-curved centrifugal fans are dynamically balanced and mounted on tubular steel shafts
- Fans are supported by roller-bearings mounted at both ends with heavy-guage steel supports.
- Spherical roller bearings are rated at an L₁₀ life of 50,000 hours.
- Fan guard / Air-inlet screens are 16 gauge galvanized steel.
- TEFC Fan Motor-1.15 service factor, variable torque, and specially insulated for cooling tower duty.
- The MCW Series air movement package including the structural support—guaranteed against failure for a period of five full years. The motor is warranted separately by the motor manufacturer.

WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

- Pressurized spray system distributes water evenly over the fill.
- Low-clog polypropylene nozzles—delivers precise distribution of water over the fill area.
- Marley MC thermoformed PVC film fill assembled into packs for ease of removal and cleaning.
- Marley XCEL drift Eliminators—limit drift losses to no more than .005% of the design Gpm flow rate.

STRUCTURE

- Forced-draft, counter-flow design requires considerably less plan area than crossflow towers typically use.
- Series 300 stainless steel, 316 stainless steel or heavy mill galvanized steel construction.
- Factory assembled—ensures final field installation will be hassle-free.
- Centrifugal fans and a fully-enclosed falling water area create one of the quietest cooling tower configurations on the market.



The MCW is a galvanized steel, factory assembled, forced draft, counterflow cooling tower, designed to serve air conditioning and refrigeration systems as well as light to medium industrial process loads on clean water. The MCW cooling tower is particularly suited to the urban environment, reducing noise while increasing energy efficiency and performance.

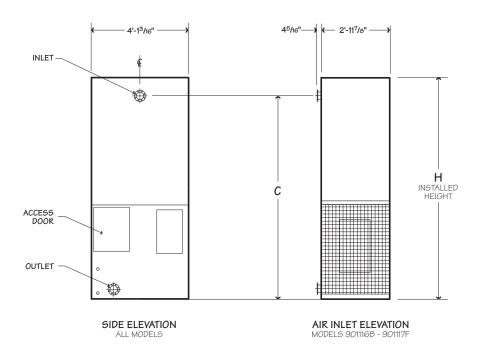
The specifications portion of this publication not only relates the language to use in describing an appropriate MCW cooling tower—but also defines why certain items and features are important enough to specify with the intention of insisting upon compliance by all bidders. The left hand column of pages 22 thru 31 provides appropriate text for the various specification paragraphs, whereas the right hand column comments on the meaning of the subject matter and explains its value.

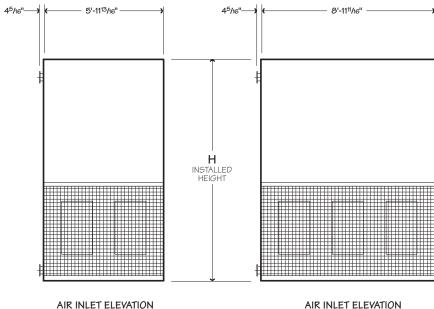
Pages 22 thru 25 indicate those paragraphs which will result in the purchase of a basic cooling tower—one that accomplishes the specified thermal performance, but which will lack many operation—and maintenance-enhancing accessories and features that are usually desired by those persons who are responsible for the continuing operation of the system of which the cooling tower is part. It will also incorporate those standard materials which testing and experience has proven to provide acceptable longevity in normal operating conditions.

Pages 26 thru 31 provide paragraphs intended to add those features, components, and materials that will customize the cooling tower to meet the user's requirements.

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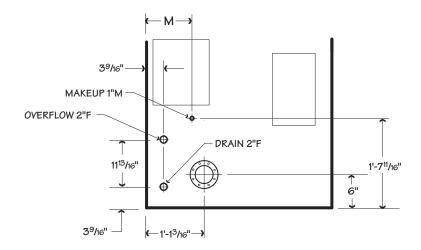
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AIR INLET ELEVATION

Model	Nominal Tons	Motor		Dim	ensions	Design Operating	Shipping Weight		
note 2	note 2 note 3 hp	hp	С	Н	М	Inlet / Outlet dia	Weight lb	Weight/Cell	Heaviest Section
901116B-1	18	1.5	7'-6"	8'-4%"	97/16"	2½"		1279	741
901116C-1	20	2	7'-6"	8'-45%"	97/16"	2½"			
901116D-1	23	3	7'-6"	8'-4%"	97/16"	2½"	1616		
901117D-1	26	3	8'-5¾"	9'-4%"	97/16"	2½"			
901117F-1	31	5	8'-5¾"	9'-4%"	97/16"	2½"	-		
901126F-1	45	5	7'-4¾"	8'-45/8"	97/16"	3"		1843	1005
901126H-1	50	7.5	7'-4¾"	8'-45%"	97/16"	3"	05.40		
901127H-1	57	7.5	8'-45%"	9'-4%"	97/16"	3"	2548		
901127J-1	62	10	8'-45%"	9'-4%"	97/16"	3"			
901136H-1	66	7.5	7'-5%"	8'-45%"	1'-115%"	4"			
901136J-1	75	10	7'-5%"	8'-45%"	1'-115%"	4"			
9011137H-1	75	7.5	8'-5¾6"	9'-4%"	1'-115%"	4"	3486	2410	1270
9011137J-1	85	10	8'-5¾6"	9'-4%"	1'-115%"	4"			
9011137K-1	93	15	8'-53/16"	9'-4%"	1'-11%"	4"			



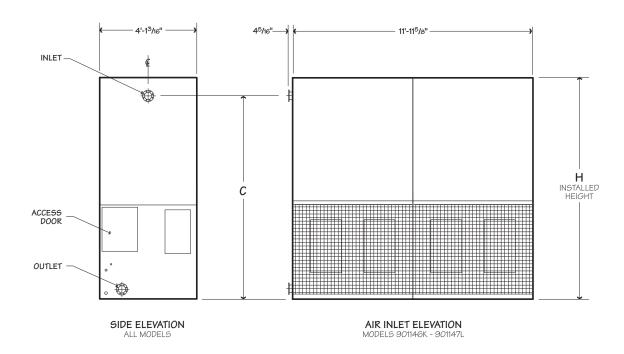
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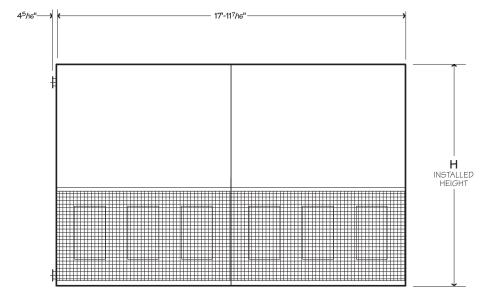
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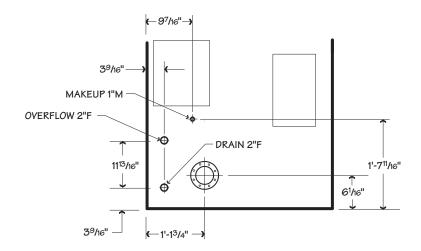
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MODELS 901156K - 901157N

Model	Nominal Tons	Motor		Dimensions		Design Operating	Shipping Weight	
note 2	note 3	hp	С	Н	Inlet / Outlet dia	Weight lb	Weight/Cell	Heaviest Section
901146K-1	102	2 x 7.5	7'-6"	8'-4%"	6"		2978	1534
901147K-1	117	2 x 7.5	8'-5¾"	9'-4%"	6"	4422		
901147L-1	125	2 x 10	8'-5¾"	9'-4%"	6"			
901156K-1	134	2 x 7.5	7'-6%16"	8'-4%"	6"			
901156L-1	150	2 x 10	7'-6%16"	8'-45%"	6"	6007	4114	0000
901157L-1	170	2 x 10	8'-6%"	9'-4%"	6"	6297	4114	2066
901157N-1	187	2 x 15	8'-6%"	9'-4%"	6"			



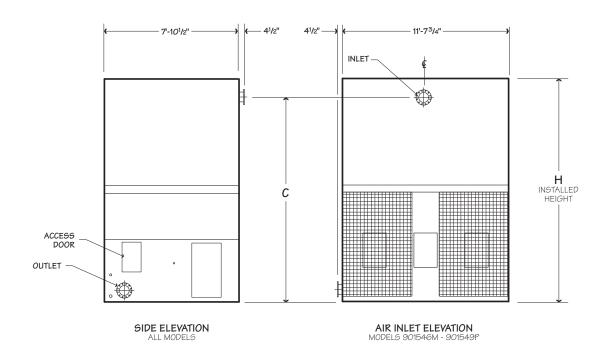
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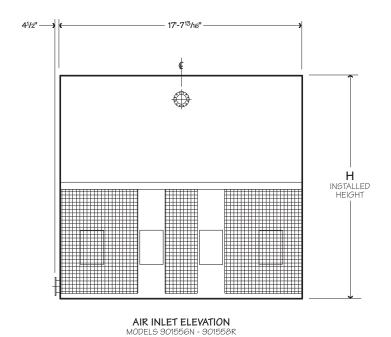
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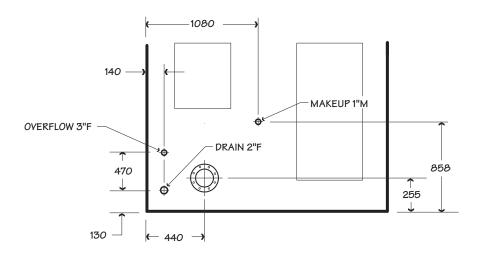
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Model	odel Nominal Tons		Dimensions			Design Operating	Shipping Weight	
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901546M-1	214	25	12'-47/16"	13'-41/4"	8"			4012
901546N-1	225	30	12'-47/16"	13'-41/4"	8"			
901547M-1	239	25	13'-9%"	14'-9¾16"	8"		6798	
901547N-1	253	30	13'-9%"	14'-9¾6"	8"	9416		
901548N-1	270	30	13'-9%"	14'-9¾6"	8"			
901548P-1	298	40	13'-9%"	14'-9¾6"	8"			
901549P-1	309	40	14'-9%16"	15'-9%"	8"			
901556N-1	286	2 x 15	11'-9½"	12'-9%"	8"			
901556P-1	315	2 x 20	12'-47/16"	13'-41/4"	8"			
901556Q-1	336	2 x 25	12'-47/16"	13'-41/4"	8"	10070	0.050	5000
901557Q-1	379	2 x 25	13'-9%"	14'-9¾16"	8"	13076	9078	5329
901557R-1	400	2 x 30	13'-9%"	14'-9¾16"	8"			
901558R-1	429	2 x 30	13'-9%"	14'-9¾16"	8"			



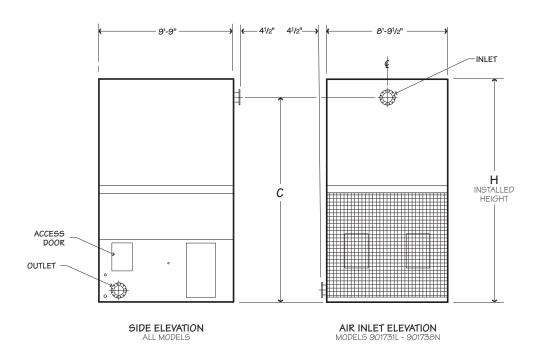
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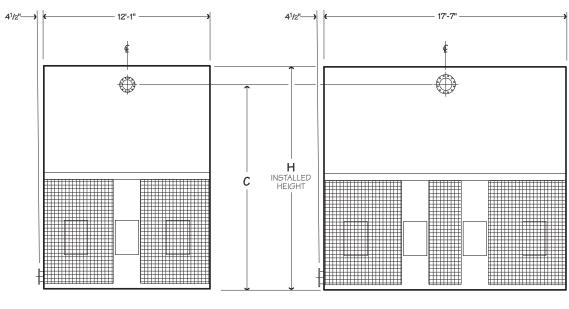
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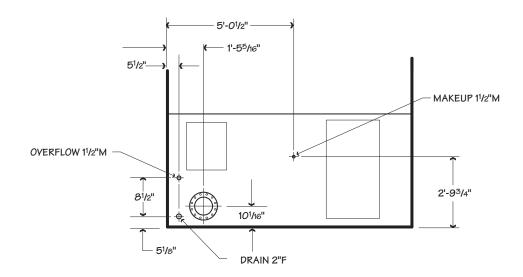
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Model	Nominal Tons	Motor		Dimensions		Design Operating	Shipping Weight	
note 2	note 3	hp	С	Н	Inlet / Outlet dia	Weight lb	Weight/Cell	Heaviest Section
901731K-1	142	15	12'-01/8"	12'-11%"	8"			
901732L-1	179	20	12'-11%"	13'-11'1/16"	8"	-		
901732M-1	191	25	12'-11%"	13'-11'1/16"	8"			3602
901736L-1	178	20	12'-01/8"	12'-11%"	8"	9266	6290	
901736M-1	190	25	12'-01/8"	12'-11%"	8"			
901737N-1	218	30	12'-11%"	13'-11'1/16"	8"			
901738N-1	234	30	13'-1111/16"	14'-11½"	8"			
901746N-1	261	30	12'-01/8"	12'-11%"	8"			
901747N-1	285	30	12'-11%"	13'-11'1/16"	8"			
901747P-1	314	40	12'-11%"	13'-11'1/16"	8"	12148	8028	
901748P-1	337	40	13'-11'1/16"	14'-11½"	8"			
901748Q-1	357	50	13'-11'1/16"	14'-11½"	8"			
901756Q-1	381	2 x 25	12'-01/8"	13'-0%"	10"			
901757Q-1	417	2 x 25	12'-11%"	14'-011/16"	10"	- 16998	10051	0050
901757R-1	437	2 x 30	12'-11%"	14'-011/16"	10"		10954	6256
901758R-1	469	2 x 30	13'-11'1/16"	15'-01/2"	10"			



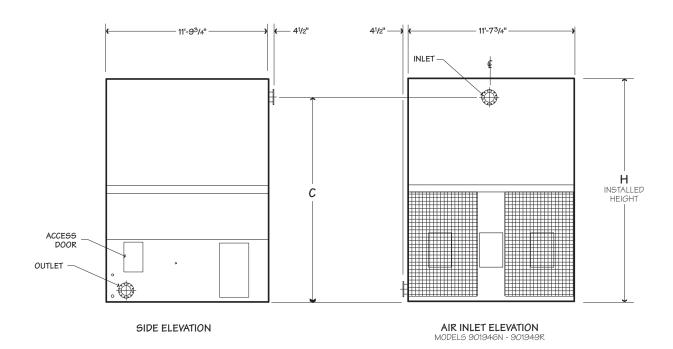
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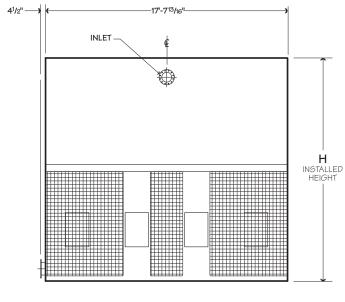
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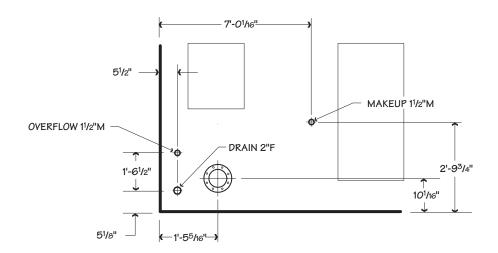
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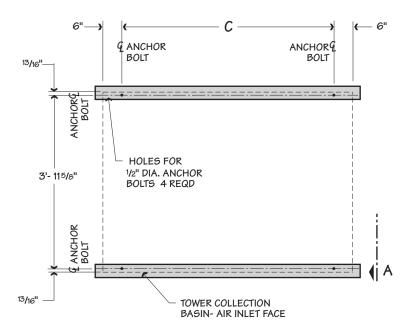
Model	Nominal Tons	Motor		Dimensions			Shipping	-
note 2	note 3	hp	С	Н	Inlet / Outlet dia	Weight lb	Weight/Cell	Heaviest Section
901946N-1	251	30	12'-27/8"	13'-211/16"	8"			
901946P-1	275	40	12'-27/8"	13'-211/16"	8"			
901947N-1	280	30	12'-11%"	13'-11'1/16"	8"			
901947P-1	309	40	12'-11%"	13'-11'1/16"	8"			
901948N-1	307	30	13'-11'1/16"	14'-11½"	8"	13914	8588	4911
901948P-1	340	40	13'-11'1/16"	14'-11½"	8"			
901949P-1	358	40	 15'-4%"	16'-47/16"	8"			
901949Q-1	389	50	15'-45%"	16'-47/16"	8"			
901949R-1	416	60	15'-4 ⁵ %"	16'-47/16"	8"			
901956Q-1	375	2 x 25	12'-27/8"	13'-3%"	10"			
901956R-1	401	2 x 30	12'-27/8"	13'-3%"	10"			
901957Q-1	411	2 x 25	12'-11%"	14'-011/16"	10"			
901957R-1	434	2 x 30	12'-11%"	14'-011/16"	10"			
901958Q-1	463	2 x 25	13'-11'1/16"	15'-0½"	10"	20437	12302	6536
901958R-1	491	2 x 30	13'-11'1/16"	15'-0½"	10"			
901959R-1	513	2 x 30	15'-45%"	16'-57/16"	10"			
901959S-1	567	2 x 40	15'-4 ⁵ %"	16'-57/16"	10"			
901959T-1	600	2 x 50	15'-45%"	16'-57/16"	10"			



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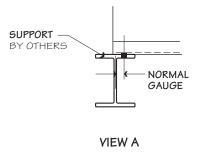
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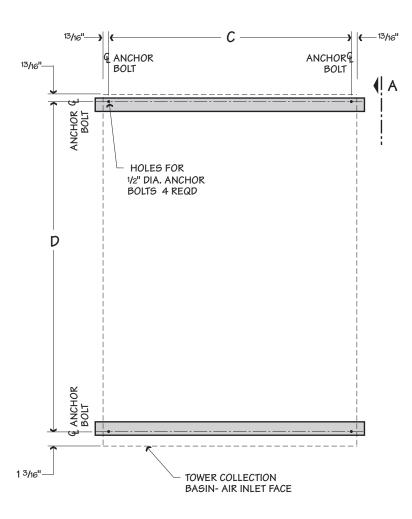
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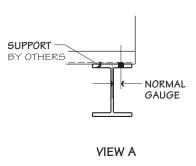
Model	С
90111	1'-11'5/16"
90112	4'-11'3/16"
90113	7'-11¾"
90114	10'-11%"
90115	16'-117/16"



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- 3 Tower may be placed on a flat concrete slab.



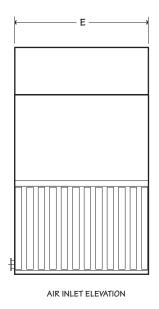


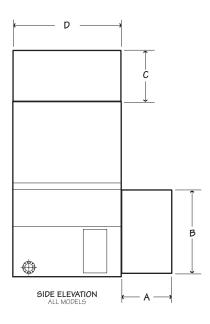
SUPPORTING STEEL SINGLE CELL

Model	С	D
90154	11'-6¾6"	7'-815/16"
90155	17'-61/4"	7'-8 ¹⁵ / ₁₆ "
90173	8'-715/16"	9'-7%"
90174	11'-115/16"	9'-7%"
90175	17'-57/16"	9'-7%"
90194	11'-6¾6"	11'-8¾6"
90195	17'-61/4"	11'-8%6"

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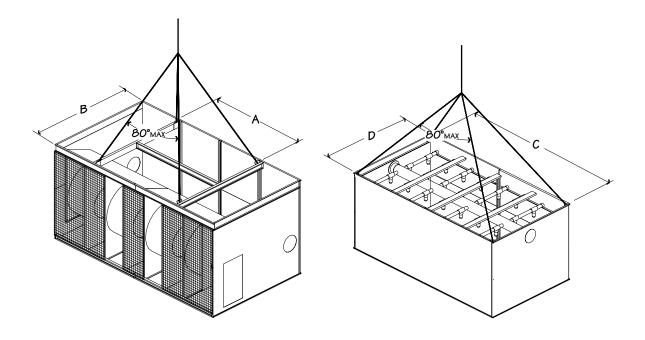


Model	Dimensions							
Model	Α	В	С	D	E			
00111	3'-75/16"	3'-7%"	3'-85/16"	4'-13/16"	2'-11'5/16"			
90111	5'-615/16"	3'-71/8"	5'-7'5/16"	4'-13/16"	2'-11'5/16"			
00110	3'-75/16"	3'-77/8"	3'-85/16"	4'-13/16"	5'-11'3/16"			
90112	5'-615/16"	3'-7%"	5'-7'5/16"	4'-13/16"	5'-11'3/16"			
00110	3'-75/16"	3'-7%"	3'-85/16"	4'-13/16"	8'-11%"			
90113	5'-615/16"	3'-7%"	5'-715/16"	4'-13/16"	8'-11%''			
00114	3'-75/16"	3'-7%"	3'-85/16"	4'-13/16"	11'-11%"			
90114	5'-615/16"	3'-7%"	5'-7'5/16"	4'-13/16"	11'-11%"			
00115	3'-75/16"	3'-7%"	3'-85/16"	4'-13/16"	17'-117/16"			
90115	5'-615/16"	3'-7%"	5'-7'5/16"	4'-13/16"	17'-117/16"			
00154	3'-75/16"	6'-111½"	3'-85/16"	7'-10½"	11'-7'3/16"			
90154	5'-615/16"	6'-111½"	5'-715/16"	7'-10½"	11'-7'3/16"			
90155	3'-75/16"	6'-111½"	3'-85/16"	7'-10½"	17'-7'3/16"			
90155	5'-615/16"	6'-111½"	5'-7'5/16"	7'-10½"	17'-7'3/16"			
00170	3'-75/16"	6'-111½"	3'-85/16"	8'-9%16"	8'-9%16"			
90173	5'-615/16"	6'-111½"	5'-715/16"	8'-9%16"	8'-9%16"			
00454	3'-75/16"	6'-111½"	3'-85/16"	8'-9%16"	11'-115/16"			
90174	5'-615/16"	6'-111½"	5'-715/16"	8'-9%16"	11'-115/16"			
90175	3'-75/16"	6'-11½"	3'-85/16"	8'-9%16"	17'-71/16"			
90175	5'-615/16"	6'-111½"	5'-715/16"	8'-9%16"	17'-71/16"			
00104	3'-75/16"	6'-111½"	3'-85/16"	11'-9¾"	11'-7'3/16"			
90194	5'-615/16"	6'-111½"	5'-7'5/16"	11'-9¾"	11'-7'3/16"			
00105	3'-75/16"	6'-111½"	3'-85/16"	11'-9¾"	17'-7'3/16"			
90195	5'-615/16"	6'-111½"	5'-715/16"	11'-9¾"	17'-7¹¾16"			

NOTE

¹ Attentuators will result in an additional external resistance therefore the fan will be unable to deliver the same airflow resulting in a small reduction in performance.

² Critical noise applications **must** be referred to SPX Cooling Technologies engineering.



		Lower Module			Upper Module	
Model	А	В	Weight lb	С	D	Weight lb
90111	1'-8"	4'-1"	540	3'-0"	4'-1"	740
90112	4'-8"	4'-1"	840	6'-0"	4'-1"	1005
90113	7'-8"	4'-1"	1140	9'-0"	4'-1"	1270
90114	10'-10"	4'-1"	1445	12'-0"	4'-1"	1535
90115	8'-10"	4'-1"	2050	18'-0"	4'-1"	2065
90154	4'-1"	7'-10"	4010	11'-8"	7'-10"	2785
90155	10'-1"	7'-10"	5330	17'-8"	7'-10"	3750
90173	8'-3"	9'-9"	3600	8'-10"	9'-8"	2690
90174	4'-3"	9'-9"	4800	12'-0"	9'-8"	3230
90175	9'-0"	9'-9"	6255	17'-7"	9'-8"	4700
90194	4'-1"	11'-8"	4910	11'-8"	11'-8"	3675
90195	10'-1"	11'-8"	6535	17'-8"	11'-8"	5765

¹ Hoisting operations can be dangerous and suitable safety precautions should be taken to protect personnel and the equipment being hoisted.

² All hoisting equipment should be certified and comply with local and national safety regulations.

³ Ensure that slings are of sufficient length so not to impose bending loads onto the casing—use of spreader bars is essential.
4 For overhead lifts or where additional safety is required, add slings beneath the tower unit

When the ambient air temperature falls below 32°F, the water in a cooling tower can freeze. *Marley Technical Report #H-003* "Operating Cooling Towers in Freezing Weather" describes how to prevent freezing during operation. Available at spxcooling.com or ask your Marley sales representative for a copy.

During shutdown, water collects in the cold water basin and may freeze solid. You can prevent freezing by adding heat to the water left in the tower—or, you can drain the tower and all exposed pipework at shutdown.

ELECTRIC BASIN HEATERS

An automatic basin water heater system is available consisting of the following components:

- Stainless steel electric immersion heater(s).
 - -Threaded couplings are provided in the side of the collection basin.
- NEMA 4 enclosure containing:
 - -Magnetic contactor to energize heater.
 - Transformer to convert power supply to 24 volts for control circuit.
 - -Solid state circuit board for temperature and low-water cutoff.

Enclosure may be mounted on the side of the tower.

 Control probe in the collection basin to monitor water temperature and level.

Heater components are normally shipped separately for installation by others.

Note: any exposed piping that is still filled with water at shutdown—including the makeup water line—should be electrically traced and insulated (by others).

INDOOR STORAGE TANK

With this type of system, water flows from an indoor tank, through the load system, and back to the tower, where it is cooled. The cooled water flows by gravity from the tower to the tank located in a heated space. At shutdown, all exposed water drains into the tank, where it is safe from freezing.

The amount of water needed to successfully operate the system depends on the tower size and Gpm and on the volume of water contained in the piping system to and from the tower. You must select a tank large enough to contain those combined volumes—plus a level sufficient to maintain a flooded suction on your pump. Control makeup water according to the level where the tank stabilizes during operation.

The MCW cooling tower can be a very effective air washer. Atmospheric dust able to pass through the relatively small louver openings will enter the recirculating water system. Increased concentrations can intensify systems maintenance by clogging screens and strainers—and smaller particulates can coat system heat transfer surfaces. In areas of low flow velocity—such as the collection basin—sedimentary deposits can provide a breeding ground for bacteria.

In areas prone to dust and sedimentation, you should consider installing some means for keeping the collection basin clean. Typical devices include side stream filters and a variety of filtration media.

BLOWDOWN

Blowdown or Bleedoff is the continuous removal of a small portion of the water from the open recirculating system. Blowdown is used to prevent the dissolved solids from concentrating to the point where they will form scale. The amount of blowdown required depends on the cooling range—the difference between the hot and cold water temperatures of the closed circuit— and the composition of the makeup water.

WATER TREATMENT

To control the buildup of dissolved solids resulting from water evaporation, as well as airborne impurities and biological contaminants including Legionella, an effective consistent water treatment program is required. Simple blowdown may be adequate to control corrosion and scale, but biological contamination can only be controlled with biocides.

An acceptable water treatment program must be compatible with the variety of materials incorporated in a cooling tower—ideally the pH of the recirculating water should fall between 6.5 and 9.0. Batch feeding of the chemicals directly into the cooling tower is not a good practice since localized damage to the cooling tower is possible. Specific startup instructions and additional water quality recommendations can be found in the which accompanies the cooling tower and also is available from your local Marley sales representative. For complete water treatment recommendations and services contact Marley Water Resources, toll free at 877 800 0929 or contact your local Marley sales representative.

▲ CAUTION

The cooling tower must be located at such distance and direction to avoid the possibility of contaminated discharge air being drawn into building fresh air intake ducts. The purchaser should obtain the services of a Licensed Professional Engineer or Registered Architect to certify that the location of the fluid cooler is in compliance with applicable air pollution, fire and clean air codes.

<u>1.0</u> Base:

1.1 Furnish and install a forced-draft, counterflow-type, factory assembled, film fill, industrial duty, galvanized steel, cooling tower. Unit shall consist of _____ cell(s), as shown on plans. The limiting overall dimensions of the tower shall be ____ wide, ____ long, and ____ high. Total operating horsepower of all fans shall not exceed ____ hp, consisting of ____ @ ___ hp motor(s). Tower shall be similar and equal in all respects to Marley Model

2.0 Thermal Performance:

2.1 The tower shall be capable of cooling
_____ gpm of water from _____ °F to
____ °F at a design entering air wetbulb temperature of _____ °F. The thermal performance rating shall be Certified
by the Cooling Technology Institute.

3.0 Performance Warranty:

CTI Certification notwithstanding, the 3.1 cooling tower manufacturer shall guarantee that the cooling tower supplied will meet the specified performance conditions when the tower is installed according to plan. If, because of a suspected thermal performance deficiency, the owner chooses to conduct an onsite thermal performance test under the supervision of a qualified, disinterested third party in accordance with CTI or ASME standards during the first year of operation; and if the tower fails to perform within the limits of test tolerance; then the cooling tower manufacturer will pay for the cost of the test and will make such corrections as are appropriate and agreeable to the owner to compensate for the performance deficiency.

Specification Value

■ Your specification base establishes the type, configuration, base material, and physical limitations of the cooling tower to be quoted. During the planning and layout stages of your project, you will have focused your attention on a cooling tower selection that fits your space allotment, and whose power usage is acceptable. Limitations on physical size and total operating horsepower avoid the introduction of unforeseen operational and site-related influences. Specifying the number of cells, and the maximum fan hp/cell will work to your advantage.

The benefit of a forced-draft counterflow cooling tower is that they are inherently easy to operate, access, and maintain. Forced-draft counterflow towers have all mechanical equipment located at low level for easy access, and the water distribution system is accessible by simply removing the lightweight drift eliminator panels or fill access doors.

Certification means that the cooling tower has been tested under operating conditions and found to perform as rated by the manufacturer under those circumstances. It assures the buyer that the tower is not intentionally or inadvertently undersized by the manufacturer.



Certification alone is not sufficient to assure you that the cooling tower will perform satisfactorily in your situation. Certification is established under relatively controlled conditions, and cooling towers seldom operate under such ideal circumstances. They are affected by nearby structures, machinery, enclosures, effluent from other sources, etc. Responsible and knowledgeable bidders will take such site-specific effects into consideration in selecting the coolling tower—but the specifier must insist by the written specification that the designer/manufacturer guarantee this "real world" performance. Any reluctance on the part of the bidder should cause you some concern.

40 Design Loading:

4.1 The tower and its components shall be designed to withstand a wind load of 30 psf as well as .3g seismic load. The cooling tower shall be designed to withstand shipping and hoisting loads of 2g horizontal or 3g vertical. Handrails, where specified shall be capable of withstanding a 200 lb concentrated live load in any direction and shall be designed in accordance with OSHA guidelines.

5.0 **Construction:**

- Except where otherwise specified, all components of the cooling tower shall be fabricated of heavy-gauge steel, protected against corrosion by G-235 galvanizing. After passivation of the galvanized steel (8 weeks at pH 7-8, and calcium hardness and alkalinity at 100-300 ppm each), the cooling tower shall be capable of withstanding water having a pH of 6.5 to 9.0; a chloride content up to 500 ppm as NaCl (300 ppm as Cl-); a sulfate content (as SO4) up to 250 ppm; a calcium content (as CaCO3) up to 500 ppm; silica (as SiO2) up to 150 ppm; and design operating ranges up to 50°F. The circulating water shall contain no oil, grease, fatty acids, or organic solvents.
- 52 The specifications, as written, are intended to indicate those materials that will be capable of withstanding the above water quality in continuing service, as well as the loads described in paragraph 4.1. They are to be regarded as minimum requirements. Where component materials unique to individual tower designs are not specified, the manufacturers shall take the above water quality and load carrying capabilities into account in the selection of their materials of manufacture.

6.0 Mechanical Equipment:

6.1 Fan(s) shall be forward curved centrifugal-type, which are statically and dynamically balanced. The fan impeller is manufactured from galvanized steel, blades are riveted to the center plate and inlet rings and have stay rods to ensure maximum concentricity and rigidity. The stay rods

Specification Value

- The indicated design values are the minimum allowables under accepted design standards. They give you assurance that the cooling tower can be shipped, handled, hoisted—and ultimately operated in a normal cooling tower environment. Most MCW Series models will withstand significantly higher wind and seismic loads. If your geographic location dictates higher wind load or seismic load values, please make the appropriate changes, after discussion with your Marley sales representative.
- In the history of cooling towers, no other coating for carbon steel has exhibited the success and longevity of galvanization in exposure to the normal cooling tower water quality defined at left. No paints or electrostatically-applied coatings, however exotic they may be, can approach galvanization's history of success.

If extended longevity of the cooling tower is required—or unusually harsh operating conditions are expected—consider specifying stainless steel as either the base construction material, or the material utilized for specific components of your choice. See Stainless Steel Options on page 16.

■ The Marley drive system features all-aluminum sheaves (pulleys), power band belts, and long-life bearings for dependable service.

To reduce cost, some manufacturers may use TEAO motors, whose only source of cooling is the flow of air produced by the cooling tower fan. They are sometimes applied at horsepowers significantly beyond their nameplate rating. Unless otherwise specified, motor speed will be 1800 RPM, 60 Hertz on stan-

are adjusted by the manufacturer during the balancing operation and require no field adjustment. Fan(s) shall be driven through one-piece, multi-groove, V-belt, pulleys, and spherical roller bearings. Bearings shall be rated at an L10 life of 50,000 hours, or greater. A hinged motor adjustment plate with threaded tensioning bolts shall be installed to allow correct belt tensioning.

- 62 Motor(s) shall be _____ hp maximum,
 Totally Enclosed, 1.15 service factor, variable torque, and specially insulated for cooling tower duty. Speed and electrical characteristics shall be _____ RPM, single-winding, 3 phase, 60 hertz, ____ volts. Motor shall operate in the shaft-horizontal position and nameplate horse-power shall not be exceeded at design operation
- 6.3 The complete mechanical equipment assembly for each cell shall be supported by a rigid, galvanized steel structural support that resists misalignment between the motor and sheaves. The mechanical equipment assembly shall be warranted against any failure caused by defects in materials and workmanship for no less than five (5) years following the date of tower shipment. This warranty is limited to the fan, fan shaft, bearings, sheaves and mechanical equipment support. The motor, motor components and belt(s) are warranted by their manufacturer.

7.0 Fill and Drift Eliminators:

Fill shall be cross-corrugated, counterflow film type, thermoformed from 15 mil thick PVC. Fill shall be assembled into modules for ease of removal and cleaning. Fill shall be supported on galvanized channel sections supported from the tower structure. Drift eliminators shall be PVC, triple pass and shall limit drift losses to 0.005% or less of the design water flow rate.

Specification Value

dard models. If you prefer the operating flexibility of two-speed operation, please specify two-speed, single-winding motors which offer full and half speeds for maximum energy savings. Incidentally, two speed motors are a far better choice than separate "pony" motors which simply double the problems indicated above.

The value of a 5 year mechanical equipment warranty speaks for itself.



Fill modules can be removed for inspection and cleaning in accordance with local anti legioinella guidelines.

Drift rate varies with design water loading and air rate, as well as drift eliminator depth and number of directional changes. A drift rate of 0.001% is readily available in standard configuration without premium cost. If a lower rate is required, please discuss with your Marley sales representative.

Hot Water Distribution System:

8.1 A pressured spray system shall distribute water evenly over the fill. Header and branch arms shall be PVC or steel with polypropylene spray nozzles attached to the branch arms by an integral screw connection for ease of removal and cleaning. A flanged connection on the header shall be provided for attachment to process piping.

9.0 Casing:

9.1 The casing shall be heavy gauge G-235 galvanized steel and shall be capable of withstanding the loads described in paragraph 4.1.

<u>10.0</u> Access:

10.1 A large galvanized, rectangular access door shall be located on both end panels for entry into the cold water basin. Rectangular panels are shall be provided for access to the fan plenum area to facilitate inspection and allow maintenance to the fan drive system

11.0 Cold Water Collection Basin:

11.1 The collection basin shall be heavy-gauge galvanized steel and shall include the number and type of suction connections required to accommodate the outflow piping system shown on the plans. Suction connections shall be equipped with debris screens. A factory installed, float operated, mechanical make-up valve shall be included. An overflow and drain connection shall be provided in each cell of the tower. The basin floor shall slope toward the drain to allow complete flush out of debris and silt which may accumulate.

13.0 Warranty:

13.1 The MCW cooling tower shall be free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of twelve (12) from date of initial use or eighteen (18) months from the date of delivery, whichever comes first.

Specification Value

The combination of PVC piping and polypropylene nozzles is very resistant to the build-up of scale and slime.

■ The MCW tower design offers side-suction as standard. Bottom outlets may be supplied to accommodate a variety of piping schemes. Unless so specified, the tower you may be asked to approve may only be available with one type of suction connection requiring you to redesign your piping layout.

The sloping floor and low-level drain is valuable because it provides a way to achieve flush-out cleanability.

Stainless Steel Options

Stainless Steel Collection Basin:

11.1: Replace paragraph 11.1 with the following: The collection basin shall be heavy-gauge Series 300 stainless steel and shall include the number and type of suction connections required to accommodate the out-flow piping system shown on the plans. Suction connections shall be equipped with debris screens. A factory installed, float operated, mechanical make-up valve shall be included. An overflow and drain connection shall be provided in each cell of the tower. The basin floor shall slope toward the drain to allow complete flush out of debris and silt which may accumulate.

All Stainless Cooling Tower:

Replace paragraph 5.1 with the following: Except where otherwise specified, all components of the cooling tower shall be fabricated of heavy-gauge, series 300 stainless steel. The tower shall be capable of withstanding water having a chloride content (NaCl) up to 750 ppm; a sulfate content (SO4) up to 1200 ppm; a calcium content (CaCO3) up to 800 ppm; silica (SiO2) up to 150 ppm; and design operating ranges up to 50°F (). The circulating water shall contain no oil, grease, fatty acids, or organic solvents.

Convenience and Safety Options

Top Access Platform:

10.2 Add the following paragraph in the Access section: There shall be an access platform at the top of the tower to allow access to the drift eliminators and distribution system. The platform shall be free-standing galvanized steel bar grating, supported by galvanized steel framework. The platform shall be surrounded by a handrail, kneerail, and toeboard designed according to meet local safety requirements. Handrails and kneerails shall consist of 1.66" O.D. x 15 gauge galvanized structural tubing, the handrail of which shall be capable of withstanding a 200 pound concentrated live load in any direction. Posts are 2" x 2" square

Specification Value

■ The cold water basin is the only part of the tower that is subject to periods of stagnant water, concentrated with treatment chemicals and customary contaminants. It is also the most expensive and difficult part of any tower to repair or replace. For these reasons, many customers—particularly those who are replacing older towers—choose to specify stainless steel cold water basins.

■ For pure resistance to corrosion—coupled with the capability to meet stringent fire and building codes—there is no substitute for stainless steel. No paints or electostatically-applied coatings, however exotic they may be, can match stainless steel's ability to withstand adverse operating conditions.



Periodic inspection and maintenance of a cooling tower distribution system is fundamental to preserving maximum cooling system efficiency. All cooling towers-crossflow or counterflow-are subject to clogging to varying degrees by waterborne contaminants such as pipe scale and sediment. Therefore, safe and easy access to these components is of significant value to the operator.

Access can be provided in a number of ways, including portable ladders or scaffolding, but for maximum safety and convenience, a field installed Marley access platform with guardrails is available to make this task as safe and user-friendly as possible. Further, its location on the side of the tower does not add to the height of the unit, preserving architectural integrity. It also saves the owner time and money, in that maintenance personnel may devote their time to inspection rather than searching for ladders or erection of portable scaffolding.

structural tubing and shall be spaced on centers of 8'-0" or less. A ladder shall be permanently attached to the platform and to the casing of the tower, rising from the base of the tower to the top of the handrail.

Ladder Extension:

Add the following to the end of paragraph 11.2: Provide a ladder extension for connection to the foot of the ladder. This extension shall be long enough to rise from the roof (grade) level to the base of the cooling tower. The installing contractor shall be responsible for cutting the ladder to length; attaching it to the foot of the cooling tower ladder; and anchoring it at its base.

Ladder Safety Cage:

10.3 Add the following paragraph in the Access section: A heavy gauge galvanized steel safety cage shall surround the ladder, extending from a point approximately 7'-0" above the foot of the ladder to the top of the handrail.

Access Door Platform:

10.4 Add the following paragraph in the Access section: There shall be an access platform at the base of the tower extending across the width of the casing. The platform shall be galvanized steel bar grating, supported by galvanized steel framework attached to the tower. The platform shall be surrounded by a handrail, kneerail, and toeboard.

Distribution System Access Door Platform:

<u>10.5</u> Add the following paragraph in the Access section: There shall be an access platform at the level of the distribution system access door. The platform shall be galvanized steel bar grating, supported by free-standinggalvanized steel framework attached to the tower. The platform shall be surrounded by a handrail, kneerail, and toeboard.

Specification Value

Many cooling towers are installed such that the base of the unit is 2'-0" or more above the roof or grade level. This makes it difficult to get up to the foot of the attached ladder. The ladder extension alleviates this problem. Marley ladder extensions are available in standard 5'-0" and 11'-0" lengths.

■ Where cooling towers are installed on an elevated grillage or piers, it is often difficult to get to—and through—the access door conveniently. This platform provides easy, safe, and comfortable access to that door.

This platform provides easy, safe and comfortable access to the access door facilitating inspection of the fill, distribution nozzles and the underside of the drift eliminators.

Control Options

6.4

Fan Motor Starter Control Panel:

Add the following paragraph in the Mechanical Equipment section: Each cell of the cooling tower shall be equipped with a UL / CUL 508 listed control panel in a NEMA 3R or 4X outdoor enclosure capable of controlling single-speed or two-speed motors as required, and designed specifically for cooling tower applications. The panel shall include a main circuit breaker or main fused disconnect with an external operating handle, lockable in the off position for safety. Full voltage non-reversing magnetic starter shall be controlled with a thermostatic or solid-state temperature controller. Door mounted selector switches shall be provided to enable automatic or manual control and wired for 120VAC control. Control circuit to be wired out to terminal blocks for field connection to a remote vibration switch, overload trip alarms and remote temperature control devices. The temperature controller shall be adjustable for the required cold-water temperature. If a thermostatic controller is used it shall be mounted on the side of the tower with the temperature sensing bulb installed in the cold water basin using a suspension mounting bracket. If a solid-state temperature controller is used the controller will be door mounted on the control panel. The solid-state temperature controller will display two temperatures, one for outgoing water and the other for set point. Water temperature input shall be obtained using a three-wire RTD with dry well in the outlet water piping and wired back to the solid-state temperature controller in the control panel.

Vibration Limit Switch:

6.5 Add the following paragraph in the Mechanical Equipment section: A vibration limit switch in a IP56 housing shall be installed on the mechanical equipment support and wired to the shutdown circuit of the fan motor starter or VFD. The purpose of this switch will be to interrupt control power voltage to a safety circuit in the event of excessive vibration causing the starter or VFD equipment to de-energize the motor. It shall be adjustable for sensitivity and include a means to reset the switch.

Specification Value

If it is your opinion that the control system for the cooling tower be part of the cooling tower manufacturer's responsibility, we are in wholehearted agreement with you. Who better to determine the most efficient mode and manner of a cooling tower's operation—and to apply a system most compatible with it—than the designer and manufacturer of the cooling tower?

Marley variable speed drives are also available for the ultimate in temperature control, energy management, and mechanical equipment longevity.



Unless specified otherwise, a Marley V6 vibration switch will be provided. The requirement for manual reset assures that the cooling tower will be visited to determine the cause of excessive vibration.



Basin Heater:

11.2 Add the following paragraph in the Cold Water Basin section: Provide a system of electric immersion heaters and controls for each cell of the tower to prevent freezing of water in the collection basin during periods of shutdown. The system shall consist of one or more stainless steel electric immersion heaters installed in threaded couplings pro-vided in the side of the basin. A NEMA 4 enclosure shall house a magnetic contactor to energize heaters; a trans-former to provide 24-volt control circuit power; and a solid-state circuit board for temperature and low water cut-off. A control probe shall be located in the basin to monitor water level and temperature. The system shall be capable of maintaining 40°F (4.4°C) water temperature at an ambient air temperature of _____ °F.

Fan Motor Variable Speed Drive:

ACH550 VFD System

6.4

Add the following paragraph in the Mechanical Equipment section when VFD is used with customers Building Management System: For fan control a complete UL listed variable speed drive system in a NEMA 1 indoor, NEMA 12 indoor or NEMA 3R outdoor enclosure shall be provided. The VFD shall use PWM technology with IGBT switching. VFD output switching signal shall be programmed to not cause mechanical vibration issues with backlash in gearbox teeth or vibration issues associated with long driveshafts. The VFD shall be programmed for variable torque applications and shall catch a fan spinning in the forward or reverse direction without tripping. VFD panel construction shall include a main disconnect with short circuit and thermal overload protection with external operating handle, lockable in the off position for lock-out tag-out safety procedures. A service switch directly ahead of the VFD shall be provided for voltage isolation during VFD maintenance. An integrated full voltage non-reversing bypass starter shall be furnished allowing fan motor operation if VFD has failed. The VFD system shall receive a speed reference signal from the building manage-

Specification Value

■ The Marley basin heater components described at left represent our recommendation for a reliable automatic system for the prevention of basin freezing. They are normally shipped separately for installation at the jobsite by the installing contractor. When purchased in conjunction with the enhanced Control System option, however, they are customarily factory-mounted and tested.

Submerged in basin water, in which zinc ions are present, copper immersion heaters must not be used. Insist upon stainless steel.

The ambient air temperature that you insert in the specifications should be the lowest 1% level of winter temperature prevalent at site.

Marley VFD drive systems are designed to combine absolute temperature control with ideal energy management. The cooling tower user selects a cold water temperature and the drive system will vary the fan speed to maintain that temperature. Precise temperature control is accomplished with far less stress to the mechanical equipment components. The improved energy management provides fast payback.

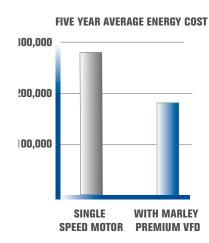
Motors operated on a VFD shall carry a service factor of 1.0. When operating on a VFD, the drive parameters should be programmed to limit the current to motor nameplate hp. Adjust the Motor specification accordingly.

ment system monitoring the cooling tower cold-water temperature. As an option to receiving the speed reference signal from a building management system, the drive must have the capability to receive a 4-20 mA temperature signal from an RTD transmitter. When using an RTD for temperature monitoring and speed control the VFD shall have an internal PI regulator to modulate fan speed maintaining set point temperature. The drive's panel shall display the set-point temperature and cold-water temperature on two separate lines. The bypass shall include a complete electromechanical magnetic bypass circuit with the capability to isolate the VFD when in the bypass mode. Transfer to the bypass mode shall be manual in the event of VFD failure. Once the motor is transferred to the bypass circuit the fan motor will run at constant full speed. Operator controls shall be mounted on the front of the enclosure and shall consist of Start and Stop control, Bypass/VFD selection, Auto/Manual selections and manual speed control. To prevent heating problems in the fan motor the VFD system shall de energize the motor once 25% motor speed is reached and cooling is no longer required. The manufacturer shall supply VFD start-up assistance by a certified technician.

Marley Premium VFD System

Add the following paragraph in the Mechanical Equipment section when VFD is used as a stand alone system and not controlled by a BMS: For fan control a complete UL listed variable speed drive system in a NEMA 12 indoor or NEMA 3R outdoor enclosure shall be provided. The VFD shall use PWM technology with IGBT switching. VFD output switching signal shall be programmed as not to cause mechanical vibration issues with back lash in gearbox teeth or vibration issues associated with long drive shafts. VFD shall be programmed for variable torque application. The VFD shall catch a fan spinning in the forward or reverse direction without tripping. VFD panel construction shall include a main disconnect with short circuit and thermal overload protection with external operating handle, lockable in the off position for lock-out tag-out safety procedures. A

Specification Value



20% reduction in fan speed will typically save 50% of electrical energy

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service switch directly ahead of the VFD shall be provided for voltage isolation during VFD maintenance. An integrated full voltage non-reversing bypass starter shall be furnished allowing fan motor operation if VFD has failed. In the event of a system fault the VFD program logic shall evaluate type of fault determining if safe to automatically transfer fan motor to the bypass starter. Automatic bypass with an earth ground condition shall not be allowed. Once in bypass mode the internal controls will continue to monitor cold water temperature and cycle the fan motor on and off maintaining cold-water set point temperature. The drive system shall be designed and operated as a stand-alone system without the need for a BMS system. Operator controls shall be mounted on the front of the enclosure and shall consist of Start and Stop control, Bypass/ VFD selector switch, Auto/Manual selector switch, Manual speed control, and solid-state temperature controller. An emergency bypass starter selector switch internal to the panel allowing the fan motor to be run at full speed shall be furnished. The system shall include a solid state PI temperature controller to adjust frequency output of the drive in response to the tower cold-water temperature. A four-wire RTD with dry well shall be furnished with the VFD and field installed into the cold-water discharge pipe coming from the fluid cooler cell. The temperature of the cold-water and set point shall be displayed on the door of the control panel. The bypass starter shall be integrated into the same enclosure as the VFD including complete circuitry to isolate the VFD when in the bypass mode. To prevent heating problems in the fan motor the VFD system shall de-energize the motor once 25% motor speed is reached and cooling is no longer required. The manufacturer shall supply VFD start-up assistance by a certified technician.

Specification Value



Miscellaneous Options

Sound Control:

1.2 Add the following paragraph under Base: The cooling tower shall be quiet operation, and shall produce an overall level of sound not higher than dB(A) measured at the critical location indicated on the plans.

Specification Value

- Sound produced by a standard MCW Series tower operating in an unobstructed environment will meet all but the most restrictive noise limitations—and will react favorably to natural attenuation. Where the tower has been sized to operate within an enclosure, the enclosure itself will have a damping effect on sound. Sound also declines with distance—by about 5 or 6 dB(A) each time the distance doubles. Where noise at a critical point is likely to exceed an acceptable limit, you have several options—listed below in ascending order of cost impact:
 - Where only a slight reduction in noise will satisfy—and the source of concern is in a particular direction—merely turning the tower may be the answer. Less sound emanates from the cased face of the tower than does from the air intake face.
 - In many cases, noise concerns are limited to night time, when ambient noise levels are lower and neighbors are trying to sleep. You can usually resolve these situations by using two speed motors in either full / half speed or full / 2/3 speed configuration, and operating the fans at reduced speed without cycling "after hours". (The natural night time reduction in wet-bulb temperature makes this a very feasible solution in most areas of the world, but the need to avoid cycling may cause the cold water temperature to vary significantly.)
 - Variable speed drives automatically minimize the tower's noise level during periods of reduced load and/or reduced ambient without sacrificing the system's ability to maintain a constant cold water temperature. This is a relatively inexpensive solution, and can pay for itself quickly in reduced energy costs.
 - Where noise is a concern at all times (for example, near a hospital), the best solution is to oversize the tower so it can operate continuously at reduced (2/3 or ½) motor speed even at the highest design wet-bulb temperature. Typical sound reductions are 7 dB(A) at ½ fan speed or 10 dB(A) at ½ fan speed, but larger reductions are often possible.
 - The most extreme cases may require inlet and discharge sound attenuator sections—however, the static pressure loss imposed by discharge attenuators may necessitate an increase in tower size. Two stages of inlet or discharge attentuators supported by the tower and designed and tested for the most stringent requirements are available as an option. See page 18.

The advantage is yours. You now have the choices you need to balance your project's performance, space and cost requirements with your sound level needs for a win-win solution to your cooling system design. Your Marley sales representative will be able to help you meet you sound requirements.

Premium Efficiency Motor:

6.3 Replace paragraph 6.3 with the following: The fan and fan drive assembly for each cell shall be supported by a rigid, welded, hot dip galvanized steel structural support that resists misalignment. The mechanical equipment assembly shall be warranted against any failure caused by defects in materials and workmanship for no less than five (5) years following the date of tower shipment. This warranty shall cover the fan, speed reducer, motor, drive shaft and couplings, and the mechanical equipment support. The bearing assemblies and V-belts shall be warranted for 18 months.

Discharge Hood:

6.4 Add the following paragraph to the Mechanical Equipment Section: There shall be a galvanized steel tapered duct on the discharge side of the tower. Drift eliminators shall be repositioned into the lower section of the duct.

Specification Value

■ Where a tower is installed in a building well or there are high surrounding walls it is possible that a proportion of the hot and humid discharge air will be drawn back into the fans thus increasing the inlet wet bulb temperature with detriment to the tower performance.

The tapered discharge duct is intended to increase the exit velocity by up to 70% in order to reduce the effects of recirculation in some installations. Experience and sound judgement should be exercised to determine when and if a duct is required.

If the surrounding walls are much higher than the tower discharge height then extensions to the tapered duct may be installed.



MCW cooling tower engineering data and specifications

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