## GROUND ELECTRODE MEASUREMENT

GROUNDING TESTS SHALL DONE FOR MANHOLE GROUNDS, GROUND ROD CONNECTIONS AND COUNTERPOISE CONNECTIONS TO ENSURE THE INTEGRITY OF THE ELECTRODE INSTALLATION. TESTING OF THE GROUND SYSTEM AND CONNECTIONS SHALL BE DONE USING THE CLAMP-ON RESISTANCE TEST METHOD FOR GROUND RODS AND COUNTERPOISE.

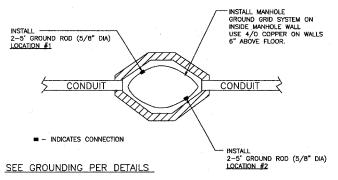
CLAMP-ON GROUND RESISTANCE TEST (NORMAL TEST)/ THREE POINT FALL OF POTENTIAL TEST (NORMAL TEST)

TESTS SHALL BE PERFORMED WHEN THE GROUND IS NOT FROZEN TO ELIMINATE HIGH RESISTANCE READINGS IN THE MANHOLES. THE CLAMP ON TEST SHALL BE DONE AT EACH GROUND ROD AND COUNTERPOSE CONNECTION AND FROM THE MANHOLE PERIMETER GROUND CABLE TO THE GROUND ROD. AEMC INSTRUMENT MODEL 3710, 3730, OF EQUIVALENT MAY BE USED. THE CLAMP ON GROUND METER SHALL CLAMPED ON TO THE POWER NEUTRAL BETWEEN THE UTILITY TRANSFORMER, POLE GROUND, SWITCH GEAR GROUND NOT THE USER MUST BE AWARE THAT A C, 7  $^{\circ}\Omega$  READING INDICATION A CONTINUITY LOOP AND NOT A GROUND RESISTANCE. IF A POWER NEUTRAL BS TO THE NEW INSTALLATION THEN THE THREE POINT FALL OF POTENTIAL, GROUND RESISTANCE CAN BE USED.

ALL TESTING MATERIAL AND TOOLS ARE FURNISHED BY THE CONTRACTOR.
THIS SPECIFICATION IS USED TO TEST HANDHOLES, SWITCH GEAR VAULTS, MANHOLES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT AS DIRECTED.

## STANDARD MANHOLE (GROUNDING WITH RODS)

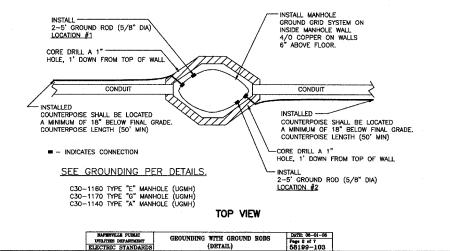
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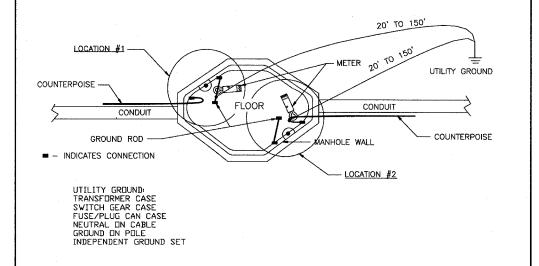
C30-1160 TYPE "E" MANHOLE (UGMH) C30-1170 TYPE "G" MANHOLE (UGMH) C30-1140 TYPE "A" MANHOLE (UGMH)

## CLAMP ON METER TEST STANDARD MANHOLE

### (GROUNDING WITH GROUND RODS AND COUNTERPOISE)



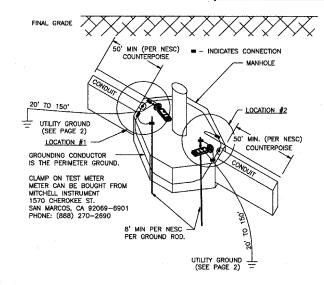
## PLACEMENT OF METER FOR READING



GROUNDING WITH GROUND RODS

F.A.U. RTE. SECTION COUNTY TOTAL SHEETS SHEET NO 1545 DUPAGE STA. 1+31.77 TO STA. 5+50.00 FED. ROAD DIST. NO. ILLINOIS FED. AID PROJECT

## SAMPLE INSTALLATION (CLAMP ON METER)



### NOTE:

OBSERVE ALL SAFETY REQUIREMENTS AND THEN REMOVE COVERING ON THE GROUND CONDUCTOR IF PRESENT AND PROVIDE SUFFICIENT ROOM FOR THE MODEL 3710/3730 JAWS, WHICH MUST BE ABLE TO CLOSE EASILY AROUND THE CONDUCTOR. THE JAWS CAN BE PLACED AROUND THE GROUND ROD ITSELF.

NOTE: THE CLAMP MUST BE PLACED SO THAT THE JAWS ARE IN AN ELECTRICAL PATH FROM THE SYSTEM NEUTRAL OR GROUND WIRE TO THE GROUND ROD, OR COUNTERPOISE.

SELECT THE CURRENT RANGE "A". CLAMP ONTO THE GROUND CONDUCTOR AND MEASURE THE GROUND CURRENT. THE MAXIMUM CURRENT RANGE IS 30 A. IF THE GROUND CURRENT EXCEEDS 5 A. GROUND RESISTANCE MEASUREMENTS ARE NOT POSSIBLE. DO NOT PROCEED FURTHER WITH THE MEASUREMENT, REMOVE THE CLAMP-ON TESTER FROM THE CIRCUIT, NOTING THE LOCATION FOR MAINTENANCE, AND CONTINUE TO THE NEXT TEST LOCATION. RECORD CURRENT ON DATA SHEET.

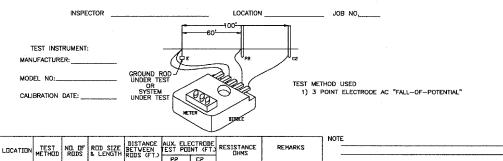
AFTER NOTING THE GROUND CURRENT, SELECT THE GROUND RESISTANCE RANGE  $^\prime\Omega^\prime$  (OHM) and measure the resistance directly. The reading you measure with the 3710/3730 indicates the resistance of the rod, resistance of the counterpoise, but also of the connection to the system neutral and all bonding connections between the neutral and the rod.

RECORD 2 OR 4 RESISTANCE READINGS ON DATA SHEET. IF ANY ONE READING IS ABOVE 25 OHMS, CONTACT DPU-E IMMEDIATELY.
SEND COMPLETED DATA SHEET TO THE PROJECT ENGINEER AND RECORDS.

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### DATA SHEET FOR RECORDING GROUND RESISTANCE BY THE FALL OF POTENTIAL METHOD.

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#### DATA SHEET FOR RECORDING GROUND RESISTANCE MEASUREMENT BY THE CLAMP ON GROUND RESISTANCE TEST METHOD

FEET GROUNT	INSTALL INSTALL TEET OF FEET OF UND RODS COUNTERPOISE PER LOCATION TOTAL PER LOCATIO		OF ERPOISE	GROUND RODS		MEASURED RESISTANCE OF COUNTERPOISE (OHMS)		MEASURED RESISTANCE OF GROUND RODS AND COUNTERPOISE (OHMS)		i.e. ROCK, CLAY				READING		MEASURED WATER LEVEL IN MANHOLE (FT)	REMARKS
LOCATION #1	LOCATION #2	LOCATION #1	LOCATION #2	LOCATION #1	LOCATION #2	LOCATION #1	LOCATION #2	LOCATION #1	LOCATION #2	LOCATION #1	LOCATION #2	LOCATION #1	LOCATION #2	LOCATION #1	LOCATION #2		

NOTE:
A HIGH READING INDICATES ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:
1) POOR GROUND RODS.
2) OPEN GROUND CONDUCTOR.
3) HIGH RESISTANCE, DUE TO POOR CONNECTIONS ON RODS, HARDWARE & CLAMPS.
4) METER CLAMP IS IMPROPERLY CLOSED.
5) FAULTY METER.

GROUNDING WITH GROUND RODS

DATE: TYPE OF METER AND MFG.: -MANHOLE NUMBER + TYPE: -POLE NUMBER + SIZE: POLE NUMBER + \$1/2C;

STREET ADDRESS;

NAME OF PERSON

PERFORMING TEST:

VIEW PERTORNIC (AIR);

'E SIZE OF GOLUND ROBS: \$7/8 DIA COPPER CIAD, UNLESS NOTED

SIZE OF CABLE FOR GROUND WIRE AND/OR COUNTERPOISE IS 4/0 COPPER (BARE) 7 STRAND, UNLESS NOTED

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