PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 SECTION INCLUDES
A. Provide ACCEL-E® steel thermal-efficient-panel wall system.

1.2 RELATED SECTIONS
A. Section 05 40 00 - Cold Formed Metal Framing.
B. Section 07 20 00 - Thermal Protection.
C. Section 09 22 16 - Non-Structural Metal Framing.
D. Section 09 29 00 - Gypsum Board.

1.3 REFERENCES
A. American Institute of Steel Construction (A.I.S.C.) "Manual of Steel Construction."
B. American Iron and Steel Institute (A.I.S.I.) "North American Specification for the Design of Cold Formed Steel Structural Members."
D. American Society of Civil Engineers (A.S.C.E.) ASCE/SEI 7-10 “Minimum Design Loads of Buildings and Other Structures.”
F. ASTM International (ASTM):
   1. ASTM A 370: Standard Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products.
   6. ASTM E 72: Standard Test Methods of Conducting Strength Tests of Panels for
1.4 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

A. System Performance Requirements: Comply with the requirements of the Standards and Reports listed in Paragraph 1.3 of this Section.

B. Structural Loads: See Section 05 40 00 – Cold Formed Metal Framing
1.5 SUBMITTALS

A. Submit under provisions of Section 01 30 00.

B. [Product Data]: Manufacturer’s data sheets on each product to be used.

C. Structural Calculations: Submit structural calculations prepared by manufacturer for approval. Submittal shall be sealed by a professional engineer registered in the state of the project.
   1. Description of design criteria.
   2. Engineering analysis depicting stress and deflection (stiffness) requirements for each framing application.
   3. Selection of framing components, accessories and welded connection requirements.
   4. Verification of attachments to structure and adjacent framing components.
   5. Engineer shall have a minimum of 5 years experience with projects of similar scope.

D. Shop Drawings:
   1. Submit shop drawings prepared by the manufacturer showing plans, sections, elevations, layouts, profiles and product component locations, including anchorage, bracing, fasteners, and accessories.
   2. Show connection details with screw types and locations, weld lengths and locations, and other fastener requirements.
   3. Where prefabricated or pre-finished panels are to be provided, provide drawings depicting panel configurations, dimensions and locations

1.6 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Provide effective full-time quality control over all job-site fabrication and erection activities. Responsibility for quality control shall remain with the Contractor.

1.7 STORAGE AND HANDLING

A. Protect tongue and groove panel edges from damage.

B. Place hands close to metal stud when carrying panel in a flat position. Grasp metal studs when carrying vertically.

C. When stacking panels, alternate each panel (face up then face down) so metal studs interlock.

D. Stage panels close to the area where they will be installed. Store panels on a solid level surface with blocking under first panel spaced approximately one foot in from each end and then every four feet for support. Cover panels to keep them free of dirt and debris. Secure panels to prevent them from becoming airborne in windy conditions.

E. Wear gloves when handling panels as recommended by the manufacturer.

1.8 WARRANTY

A. Manufacturer warrants that its products shall be free from defects in materials and workmanship at the time of shipment and are manufactured in accordance with company standards.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURERS

A. Acceptable Manufacturer: SYNTHEON Inc., which is located at: 25 Avenue A; Leetsdale, PA
2.2 STEEL THERMAL EFFICIENT PANEL WALL SYSTEM

A. Product Description: ACCEL-E Steel thermal-efficient-panel (STEP) wall system for load bearing and non-load bearing (infill & bypass) wall applications that combine framing, cavity insulation and continuous rigid foam sheathing into one component.

B. Composition and Materials, the ACCEL-E Wall Panel: 4 foot (1219 mm) wide expanded polystyrene (EPS) panel with two proprietary designed cold formed steel studs. Panels available in custom heights limited only by the mode of transport required for delivery. The studs shall be formed in "S" type cross-section comprised of three 1-5/8 inch (41.3 mm) flanges and two independent webs. EPS is fused through the outer web section to maximize structural and thermal performance. The inner web section, devoid of EPS, provides open cavity to allow use of additional light gauge metal or structural steel framing members and enables use of industry standard electrical and mechanical construction practices. Panels interlock at each side with a tongue and groove configuration molded into EPS. No additional joint treatment required. All steel used in the ACCEL-E STEP wall system is galvanized to building industry standards to prevent rust.

C. Panel Properties:
   1. 5-1/2 inch .038 Panel
      a. Stud Base Metal Thickness: 0.038 inch (0.965 mm).
      b. Minimum Galvanized Coating per ASTM A1003: G60
      c. Minimum Yield Strength: 40 ksi.
      d. Flange Width: 1-5/8 inch (41.3 mm).
      e. Mechanical Knockout: 3/4 inch by 4 inch (19 mm by 101.6 mm)
      f. Overall Panel Width: 4 feet (1219.2 mm) with two studs
      g. Overall Panel Thickness: 5-1/2 inch (139.7 mm)
      h. Open Cavity Depth: 2-3/4 inch (69.9 mm).
      i. EPS Thickness: 2-3/4 inch (69.9 mm).
      j. EPS Density: 1.5 pcf
      k. R Value = 4.3 per Inch of EPS Thickness
      l. Color: Gray.
      m. Sound Transmission Coefficient (STC) Assembly Ratings per ASTM E90: 45-57. (see CCRR-0121 for acoustic assemblies)
      n. Outside Inside Transmission Class OITC Assembly Ratings per ASTM E90: 31/36/40. (see CCRR-0121 for acoustic assemblies)
      o. Rate of Air Leakage, ASTM E283: Less than 0.01 cfm/ft2.
      p. Water Vapor Transmission, ASTM E96 / E96M-05 (20.8 degrees C, 52.2 percent R.H.): 0.632 perms
      q. Allowable Bending Moment (SF=1.95) ASTM E 72: 25,750 in-lb.
      r. Allowable Axial Load (8 foot height, SF=1.95) ASTM E 72: 6,836 lb.
      s. Allowable End Reaction (SF=1.95) ASTM E 72: 706 lb.
      t. Ultimate Racking Shear (7/16 inch OSB plus 1/2 inch Gypsum) ASTM E72: 679 lb/ft.
      u. Racking Shear (4 inch 16 gage 50ksi X-Brace) ASTM E72: 3,776 lb/brace.
   2. 6 Inch .054 Panel
      a. Stud Base Metal Thickness: 0.054 inch (1.37 mm).
      b. Minimum Galvanized Coating per ASTM A1003: G60
      c. Minimum Yield Strength: 55 ksi.
      d. Flange Width: 1-5/8 inch (41.3 mm).
      e. Mechanical Knockout: 3/4 inch by 4 inch (19 mm by 101.6 mm)
      f. Overall Panel Width: 4 feet (1219.2 mm) with two studs
      g. Overall Panel Thickness: 6 inch (152.4 mm)
h. Open Cavity Depth: 2-3/4 inch (69.9 mm).
i. EPS Thickness: 3-1/4 inch (82.6 mm).
j. EPS Density: 1.5 pcf
k. R Value = 4.3 per Inch of EPS Thickness
l. Color: Gray.
m. Sound Transmission Coefficient (STC) Assembly Ratings per ASTM E90: TBD
n. Outside Inside Transmission Class OITC Assembly Ratings per ASTM E90: TBD
o. Rate of Air Leakage, ASTM E283: Less than 0.01 cfm/ft2.
p. Water Vapor Transmission, ASTM E96 / E96M-05 (20.8 degrees C, 52.2 percent R.H.): 0.632 perms
q. Allowable Bending Moment (SF=1.95) ASTM E 72: 29,040 in-lb.
r. Allowable Axial Load (8 foot height, SF=1.95) ASTM E 72: 12,572 lb.
s. Allowable End Reaction (SF=1.95) ASTM E 72: 1434 lb.
t. Ultimate Racking Shear (7/16 inch OSB plus 1/2 inch Gypsum) ASTM E72: 679 lb/ft.
u. Racking Shear (4 inch 16 gage 50ksi X-Brace) ASTM E72: 3,776 lb/brace.

3. 8 inch .038 Panel
a. Stud Base Metal Thickness: 0.038 inch (0.965 mm).
b. Minimum Galvanized Coating per ASTM A1003: G60
c. Minimum Yield Strength: 40 ksi.
d. Flange Width: 1-5/8 inch (41.3 mm).
e. Mechanical Knockout: 3/4 inch by 4 inch (19 mm by 101.6 mm)
f. Overall Panel Width: 4 feet (1219.2 mm) with two studs
g. Overall Panel Thickness: 8 inch (203 mm)
h. Open Cavity Depth: 3-5/8 inch (92 mm).
i. EPS Thickness: 4-3/8 inch (111 mm).
j. EPS Density: 1.5 pcf
k. R Value = 4.3 per Inch of EPS Thickness
l. Color: Gray.
m. Sound Transmission Coefficient (STC) Assembly Ratings per ASTM E90: 45-57. (see CCRR-0121 for acoustic assemblies)
n. Outside Inside Transmission Class OITC Assembly Ratings per ASTM E90: 31/36/40. (see CCRR-0121 for acoustic assemblies)
o. Rate of Air Leakage, ASTM E283: Less than 0.01 cfm/ft2.
p. Water Vapor Transmission, ASTM E96 / E96M-05 (20.8 degrees C, 52.2 percent R.H.): 0.632 perms
q. Allowable Bending Moment (SF=1.95) ASTM E 72: 42,780 in-lb.
r. Allowable Axial Load (8 foot height, SF=1.95) ASTM E 72: 8,502 lb.
s. Allowable End Reaction (SF=1.95) ASTM E 72: 722 lb.
t. Ultimate Racking Shear (7/16 inch OSB plus 1/2 inch Gypsum) ASTM E72: 751 lb/ft.

4. 8 inch 054 Panel
a. Stud Base Metal Thickness: 0.054 inch (1.37 mm).
b. Minimum Galvanized Coating per ASTM A1003: G60
c. Minimum Yield Strength: 55 ksi.
d. Flange Width: 1-5/8 inch (41.3 mm).
e. Mechanical Knockout: 1-1/2 inch by 4 inch (38.1 by 101.6 mm)
f. Overall Panel Width: 4 feet (1219.2 mm) with two studs
g. Overall Panel Thickness: 8 inch (203 mm)
h. Open Cavity Depth: 3-5/8 inch (92 mm).
i. EPS Thickness: 4-3/8 inch (111 mm).
j. EPS Density: 1.5 pcf
k. R Value = 4.3 per Inch of EPS Thickness
l. Color: Gray.
m. Sound Transmission Coefficient (STC) Assembly Ratings per ASTM E90: TBD
n. Outside Inside Transmission Class OITC Assembly Ratings per ASTM E90: TBD
o. Rate of Air Leakage, ASTM E283: Less than 0.01 cfm/ft2.
p. Water Vapor Transmission, ASTM E96 / E96M-05 (20.8 degrees C, 52.2 percent R.H.): 0.632 perms
q. Allowable Bending Moment (SF=1.95) ASTM E 72: 59,820 in-lb.
r. Allowable Axial Load (8 foot height, SF=1.95) ASTM E 72: 9,178 lb.
s. Allowable End Reaction (SF=1.95) ASTM E 72: 1,400 lb.
t. Ultimate Racking Shear (6 inch 12 gage 50ksi X-Brace) ASTM E72: 4,602 lb/brace

D. Fire Performance
a. Smoke Development Index: Less than 450
b. Flame Spread Index: Less than 25

E. Environmental Considerations:

1. The steel studs contain an average of 54 percent recycled steel with a minimum of 25 percent. The steel studs and expanded polystyrene are 100 percent recyclable. ACCEL-E may contribute toward LEED® project certification under MR credit 2 and 4, EA PRQ and EA Credit 1, and IEQ Credit 7.
2. ACCEL-E is GREENGUARD Indoor Air Quality Certified and GREENGUARD Children & Schools Certified.

2.3 SUBSTITUTIONS

A. Submit under the provisions of Section 01 25 00 Product Requirements
B. As a minimum, all substitutions must meet the structural, thermal, and fire performance requirements set herein as basis of design, and meeting of any and all codes and/or standards having jurisdiction. These include, but are not limited to:
   1. The International Building Code®
   2. The International Energy Conservation Code®
C. All substitutions shall be reviewed and approved by the Architect &/or Engineer.
PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 EXAMINATION
   A. If substrate preparation is the responsibility of another installer, notify Architect of unsatisfactory preparation before proceeding.
   B. Verify that related work affecting dimensions has been constructed within acceptable dimensional tolerances.
   C. Prior to installation, inspect previous work of all other trades. Verify that all work is complete and accurate to the point where the installation may properly proceed in strict accordance with the shop drawings.

3.2 PREPARATION
   A. Prepare surfaces using the methods recommended by the manufacturer for achieving the best result for the substrate under the project conditions.

3.3 INSTALLATION
   A. General: Install in accordance with manufacturer's instructions, including but not limited to project documents, manufacturer's engineered drawings and installation manual.

3.4 PROTECTION
   A. Protect installed products until completion of project.
   B. Replace or repair damaged products before Substantial Completion.

END OF SECTION