### COMMISSIONING

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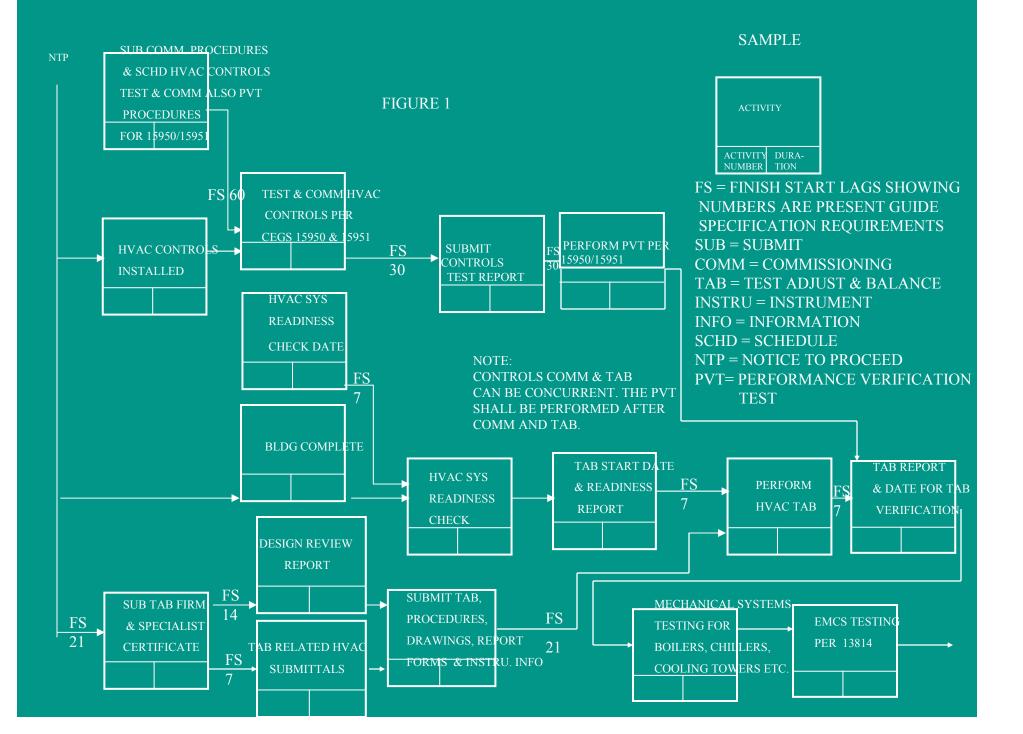
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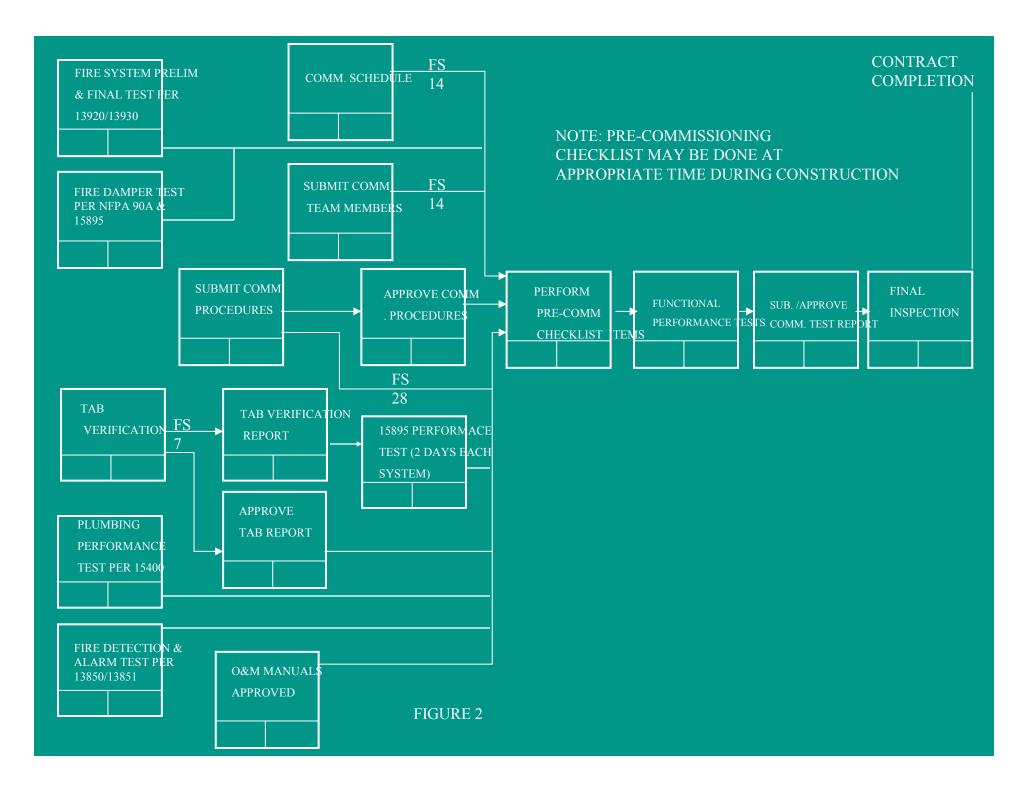
# WHY? --- COMMISSIONING GOALS

Improve system performance
Lower operating and maintenance costs
Lower repair costs
User comfort, safety & IAQ
Owner quality verification
Conforms with design intent

### **CONSTRUCTION PROBLEMS**

Commissioning Schedule & Cost
Design deficiencies
Construction deficiencies
Product quality
HVAC controls operation
Energy





### **INTRODUCTION**

 Building commissioning - HVAC, plumbing, electrical, fire protection
 Pre-design, design, construction, acceptance, post-acceptance

## ASHRAE GUIDE 1-1996

Pre-design

Design
 Construction
 Acceptance

Post-acceptance

Planing Meetings BCO Reviews QA/QC Final Testing Verification Warranty

## <u>UFGS – 15995A</u>

Commissioning team Required @ contract completion After 15950 & 15990 is complete After all tests, reports & O&M Manuals Repetitive inspection & testing Pre-commissioning checklists Functional performance checklists

### **PRE-COMMISSIONING**

 Installation Checklist
 Required by Contract at Job Completion
 Should be Performed as Scheduled?
 Perform Control & Electrical Testing Later?
 Contractor to Complete Master

Contractor to Complete Mas Checklist

#### FUNCTIONAL PERFORMANCE

System Testing Checklist COE Requires Repetitive Testing Pre-commissioning Checks Functional Performance Tests Other tests are independent from 15995 Tests aborted if not completed correctly Contractor covers cost of retesting One Complete Certified Test?

#### FUNCTIONAL PERFORMANCE Cont.

All items listed on checklists Test only after Pre-com completed Prove all modes of sequence/operation Verify all relevant contract requirements Start with equipment/components Progress through subsystems • To complete systems Correct all failures retest w/no errors

# **Commissioning** Team

Contractor/QC Contractor/Mechanical Contractor/TAB Contractor/Controls Contractor/Electrical Designers Agent COR User/Owner

## **TESTING**

Mechanical System

Cooling
Heating
Air distribution & TAB
Controls & EMCS
IAQ
Energy

#### Refrigeration systems

- Chilled water pipe testing
- Backflow prevention device
- Refrigerant pipe testing
- Cooling tower tests
- System performance tests
- Condenser water quality tests
- Inspections after first year

Hot water heating systems

- Backflow prevention device
- Test during winter conditions
- Pressure test piping system
- Operational test
- Water treatment test
- First year boiler/piping inspection
- Boiler flushed and cleaned

#### Air supply and distribution

- Ductwork leak test
- Cleaning and adjusting
- *TAB*
- Performance tests
- Field training

## HVAC SYSTEMS

#### Control systems

- Start-up Test
- Coordination with hvac balancing
- Calibration, adjustment and start-up
- Performance verification test
- Posted and panel instruction
- Training course

#### 100% Design Build (Transformation)

- 30 page RFP (No user requests)
- All COE Guide Specifications eliminated
- Design Review 95% (1-2 day only)
- A/E responsible for QA
- Delete contractor supplemental QC's
- COE become Code Inspectors
- Very few submittals
- Build it like downtown (type 5 construction)

#### HVAC Commissioning per ASHRAE 1

- States it is for Design-bid-build
- Commissioning Agency is independent contractor and works for owner under separate contract
- Includes other systems besides HVAC
- Commissioning Agent starts at design through construction to acceptance to post acceptance commissioning
- What role for COE?

# HVAC Commissioning per NEBB,AABC, or TABB

- Contractor required to hire Commissioning Agent
- Increase Contract Cost
- Includes other systems besides HVAC
- Commissioning Agent starts at design through construction to commissioning to post commissioning (off season testing)
- What role for COE?

#### OVERVIEW

- Appears that COE not responsible for quality
- Appears COE responsible for acceptance testing
- Since Contract oversight minimized, S&A may be reduced
- Reduce & consolidate design sections throughout COE. Standardized RFP's, very little design review, and hardly any in-house design
- Customer Satisfaction?