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**“BUILDING INTEGRATED PHOTOVOLTAICS –
FROM BEST PRACTICE EXAMPLES TO
LARGE-SCALE MARKET PENETRATION”**

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Solar architecture is not a fashion,
it is survival.

Sir Norman Foster

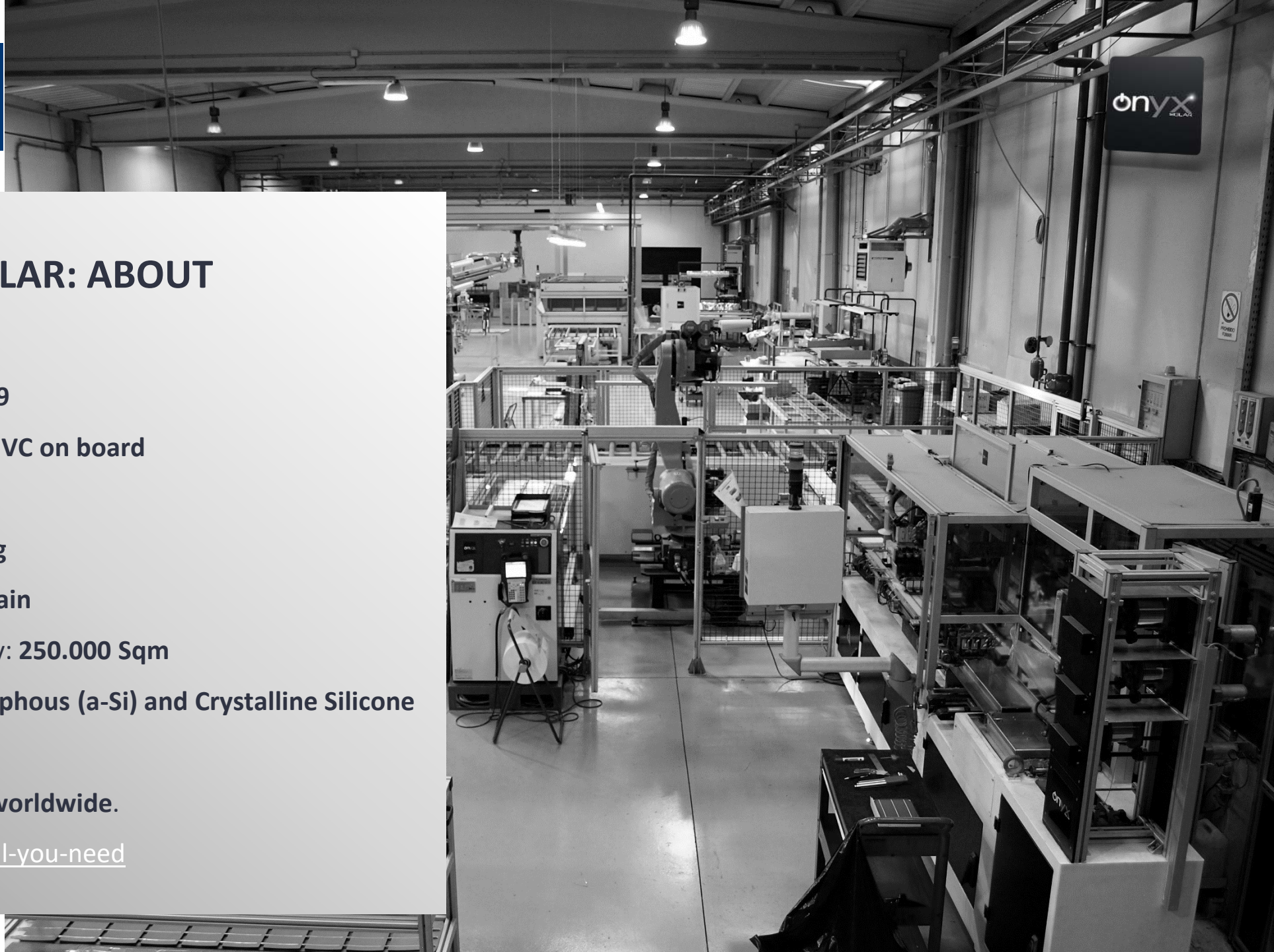


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1. ONYX SOLAR: ABOUT

- Year of Incorporation: **2009**
- Ownership: **Privately held. VC on board**
- Headquarters: **Avila, Spain**
- Offices: **New York & Beijing**
- Fabrication Plant: **Avila, Spain**
- Annual Production Capacity: **250.000 Sqm**
- Tech. Manufactured: **Amorphous (a-Si) and Crystalline Silicone (c-Si)**
- Projects completed: **+250 worldwide.**

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SOLAR TECHNOLOGIES



AMORPHOUS

CRYSTALLINE

AMORPHOUS

Coating over a layer of flat glass (CVD)

Visual Light Tr: Dark, 10, 20, 30%

Efficiency 5% - 10%

Greater **energy production** (kWh) at the same installed power (kWp)

Better behavior under the presence of shadows / overcast (tilt, orientation)

Low temperature coefficient – performs well under high temperature

Unobstructed views

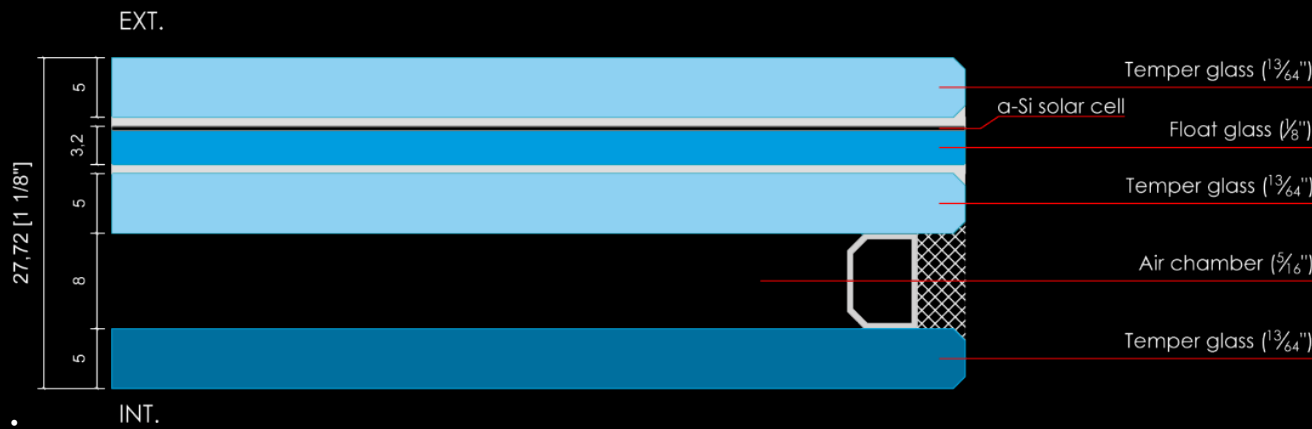


ADD-ONS

By add-ons we refer to other configurations for the photovoltaic glass that, depending on the performance desired for the project, may be required.

Spacers are a typical add-on to improve the U-value of the PV glass unit; counting on an double pane unit and considering the coatings applied, the photovoltaic glass can reach U-values as low as **0.13 BTU/h*Ft²*F°**.

Typical spacer thicknesses are 1/4", 1/2" and 10/16", depending on the insulation required. Air and Argon gas fills are commonly requested.



Picture on the left shows a typical amorphous Silicon double glazing configuration, as a reference.



2. ONYX SOLAR APPROACH FOR BIPV

Architectural glass which besides providing the building with the same passive properties as a conventional glazing, it also **generates free electricity** from the sun.

It is therefore, the **only building material** available in the market that provides your building a **return on the investment**.

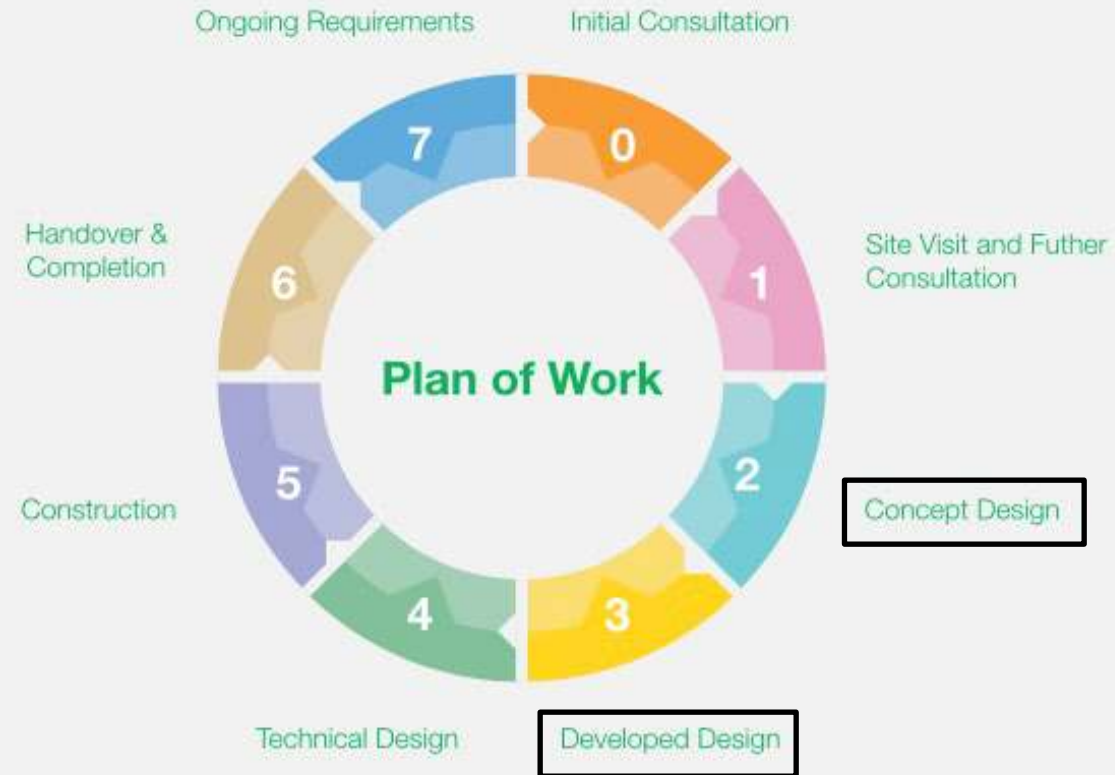
ARCHITECTURAL GLASS THAT GENERATES ELECTRICITY

- MATCHES THE ARCHITECTURAL GLASS SPECIFICATIONS
- ENVIROMENTAL BENEFITS: AVOIDING CO2 EMISSIONS
- ECONOMICAL BENEFITS: ENERGY GENERATION





2. ONYX SOLAR APPROACH FOR BIPV



Onyx Solar BIPV Consultancy Services at design phases:

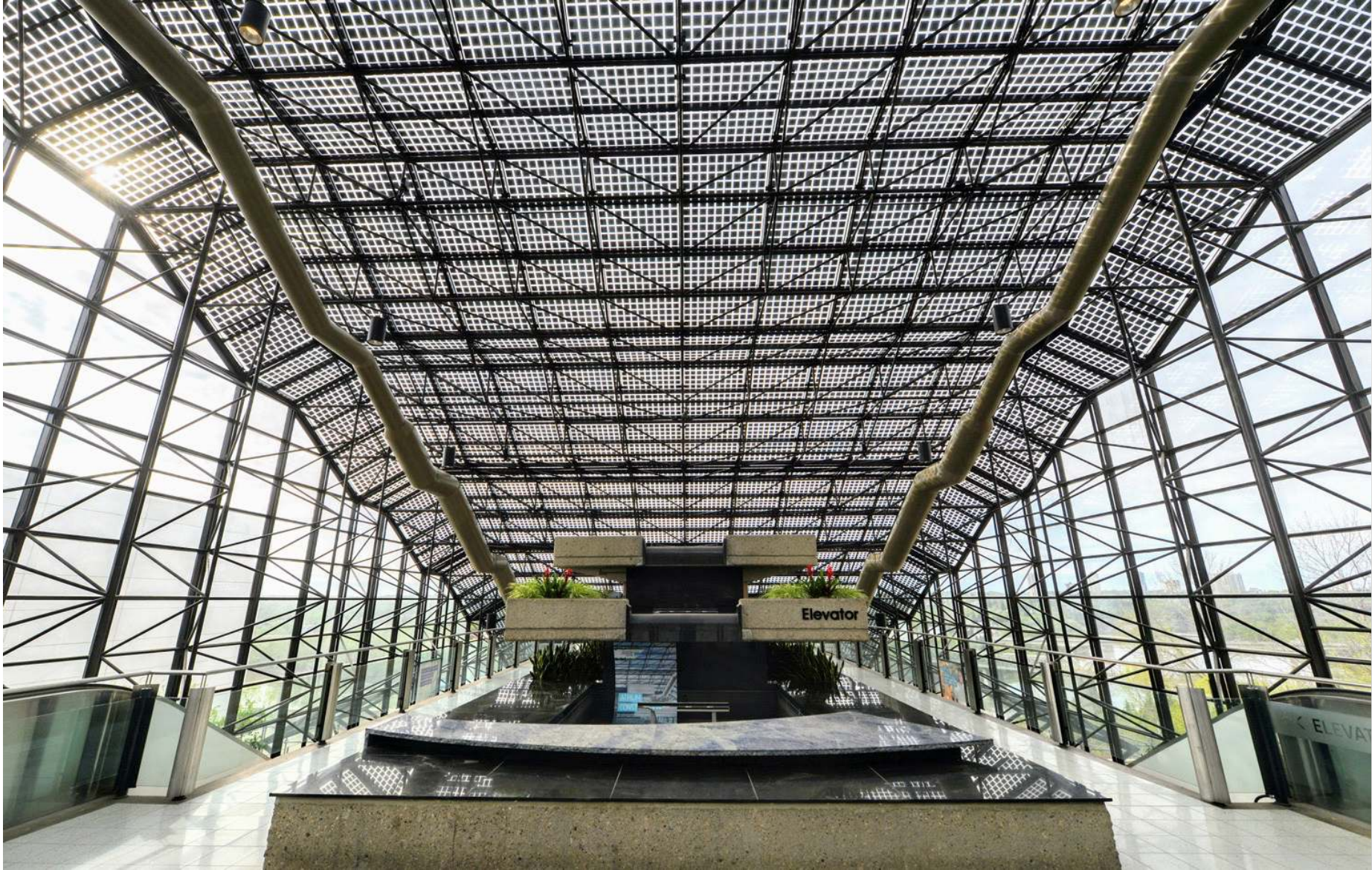
- Architectural drawing and project requirement study to provide best BIPV option for the construction project
- Close collaboration with design team.

Project Data:

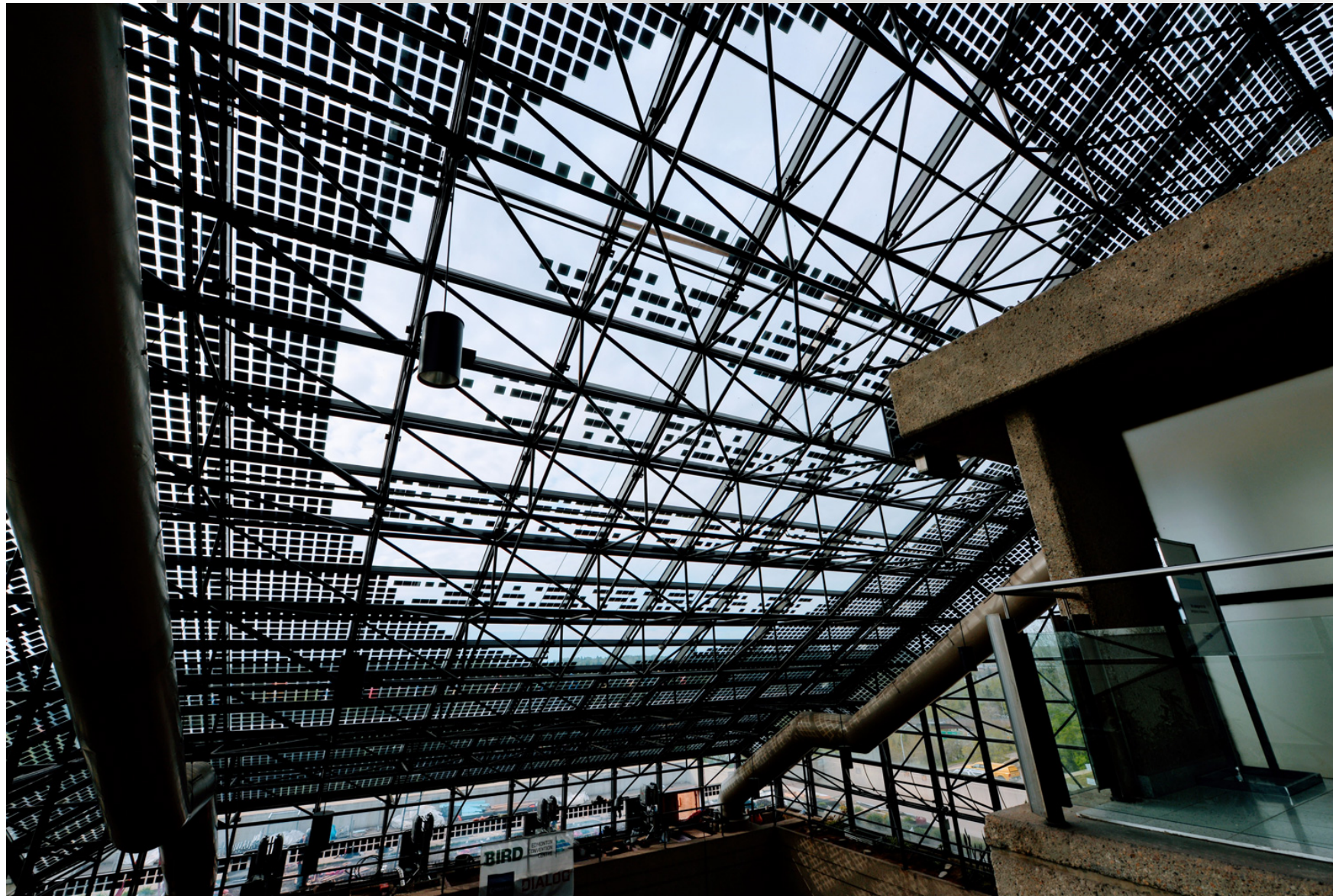
- Atrium Skylight replacement with IGU PV GLASS
- Area of integration: 1,600 sqm
- Technology: mono-crystalline silicon
- Installed power: 160 kWp
- Estimated Energy Generation: 227,000 kWh/year
- Owner: ECC, City of Edmonton
- Architecture: DIALOG
- General Contractor: Bird Construction Company
- Glazing Contractor: **Flynn Canada Ltd.**
- PV Consultant: **Howell Mayhew Engineering, Inc.**



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BIPV Project Schedule:

- Consultancy to the architectural design (DIALOG Architects and PV Consultant) during conceptual and developed design: **2015 - 2016**
- PV glass and PV system details during tendering phase and technical design (Glazing Contractor and PV Consultant): **2018**
- PV glass shop drawings and supply: **2019**

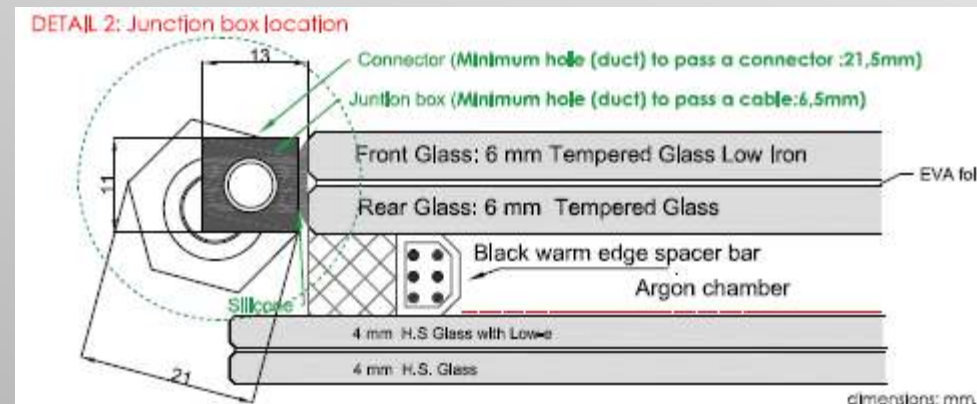
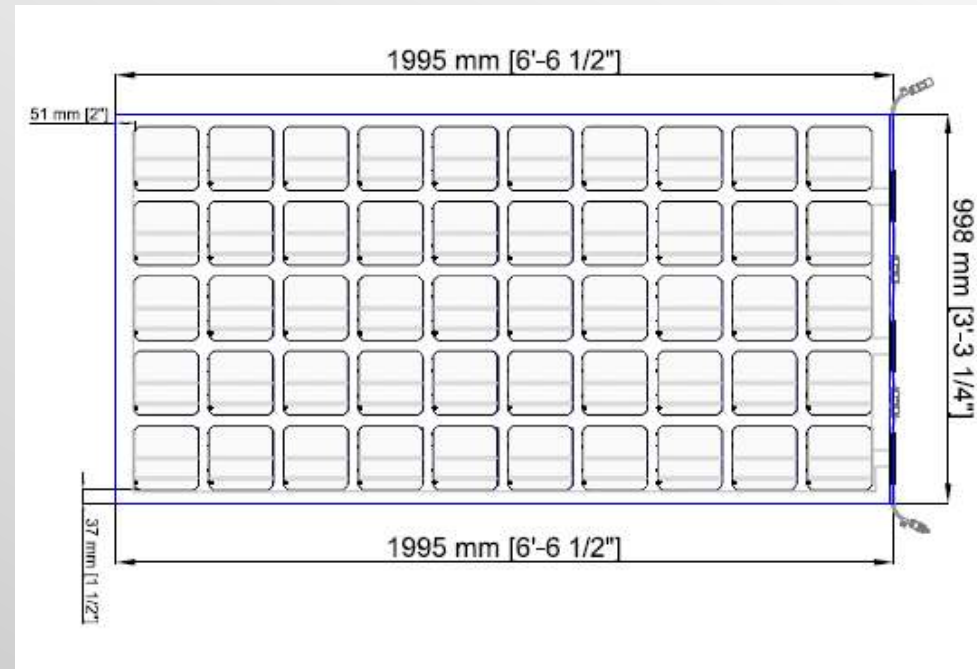
Main Challenges:

1. Coordination in detail design with all stakeholders: Consultant, Glazing Contractor and Electrical Contractor
2. Shop drawings, manufacturing and project management with 126 different types of units for 700 total PV glass units.

TYPICAL PV GLASS DATA SHEET



PHOTOVOLTAIC GLASS		
TYPE.07	1995 x 998	
	6" Mono	Crystalline
Electrical data test conditions (STC)		
Nominal peak power	238	P_{mpp} (Wp)
Open-circuit voltage	33	V_{oc} (V)
Short-circuit current	9.09	I_{sc} (A)
Voltage at nominal power	28	V_{mpp} (V)
Current at nominal power	8.54	I_{mpp} (A)
Power tolerance not to exceed	±10	%
STC: 1000 w/m^2 , AM 1.5 and a cell temperature of 25°C, stabilized module state.		
Mechanical description		
Length	1995	mm
Width	998	mm
Thickness	32.56	mm
Surface area	1.99	sqm
Weight	100	Kgs
Cell type	6" Mono	Crystalline
No PV cells / Transparency degree	50	42%
Front Glass	6 mm	Tempered Glass Low-Iron
Rear Glass	6 mm	Tempered Glass
Gas Spacer	10 mm	Argon Chamber
Inner Glass	4 mm	H3 Low-e Glass
Inner Glass	4 mm	H3 Glass
Thickness encapsulation	1,80 mm	EVA Foils
Category / Color code		
Junction Box		
Protection	IP65	
Wiring Section	2,5 mm^2 or 4,0 mm^2	
Limits		
Maximum system voltage	1000	V_{sys} (V)
Operating module temperature	-40...+85	°C
Temperature Coefficients		
Temperature Coefficient of P_{mpp}	-0,451	%/°C
Temperature Coefficient of V_{oc}	-0,361	%/°C
Temperature Coefficient of I_{sc}	+0,08	%/°C



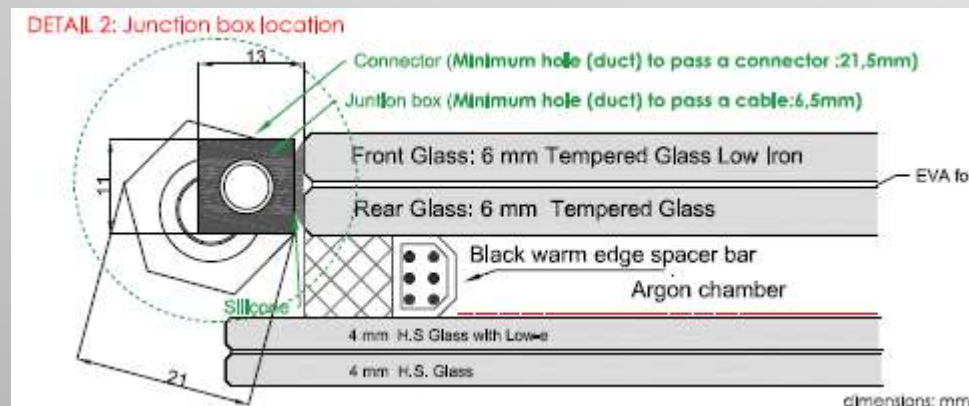
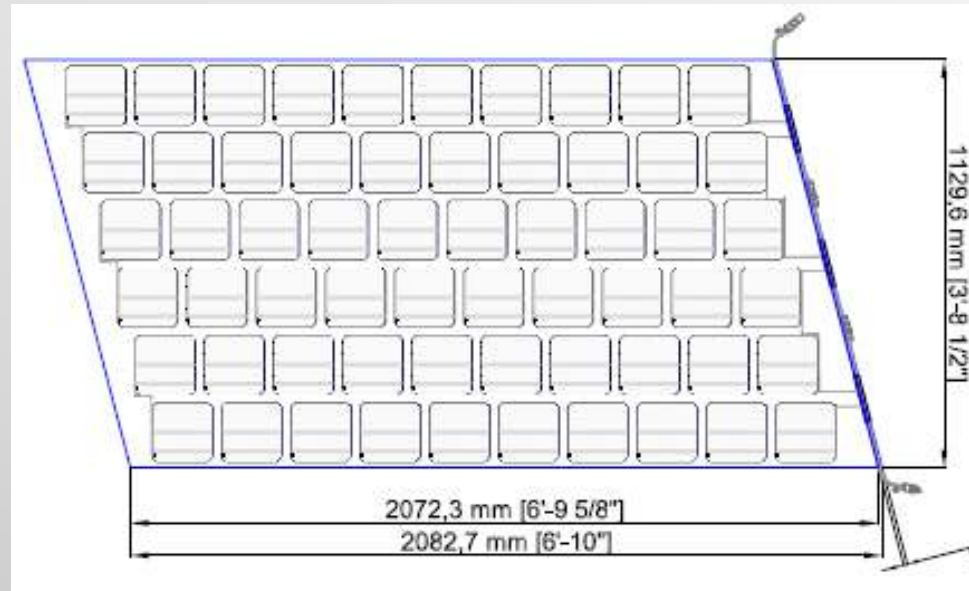
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** Dimensions as per inner glass dimensions in shop-drawings

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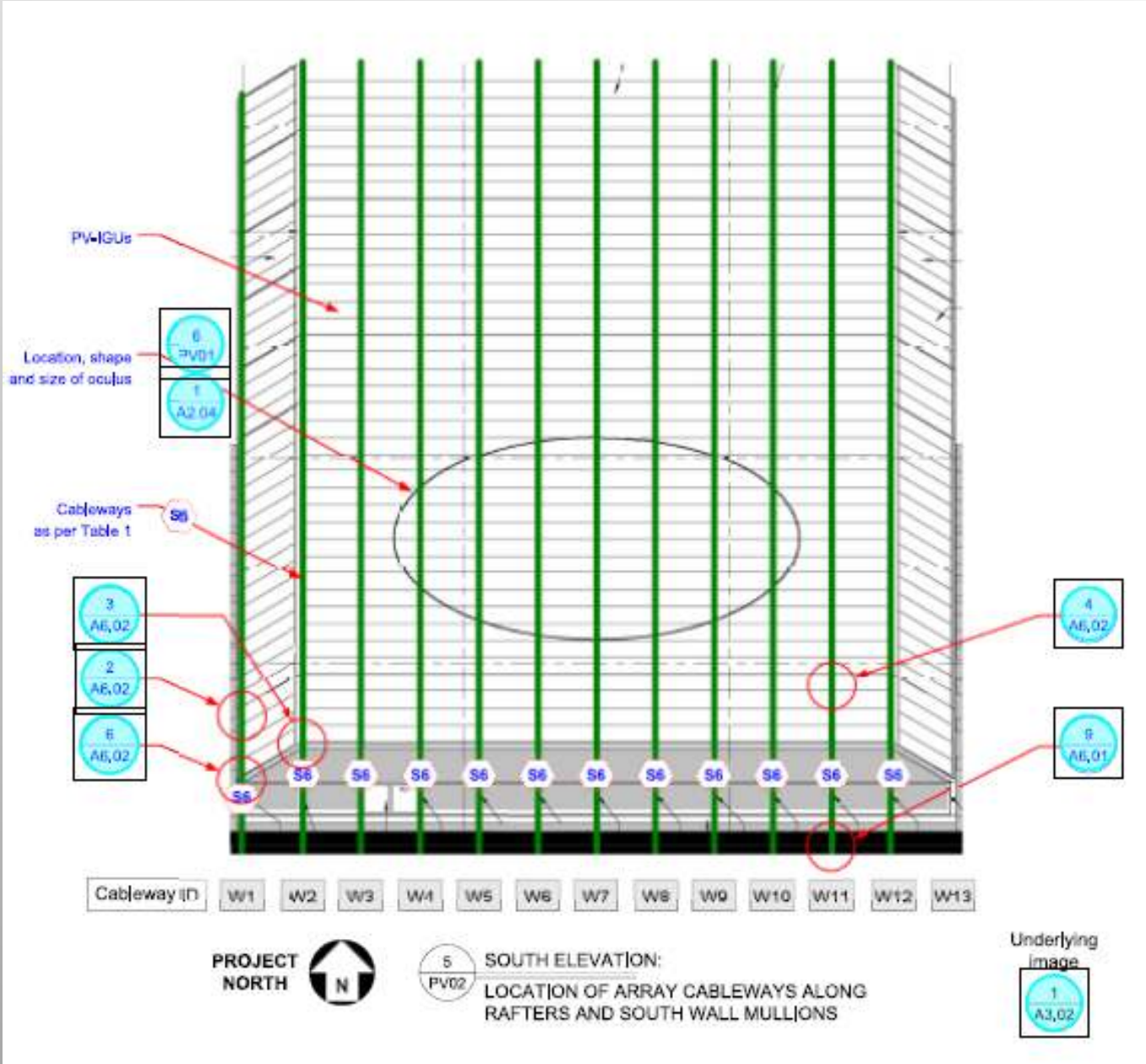
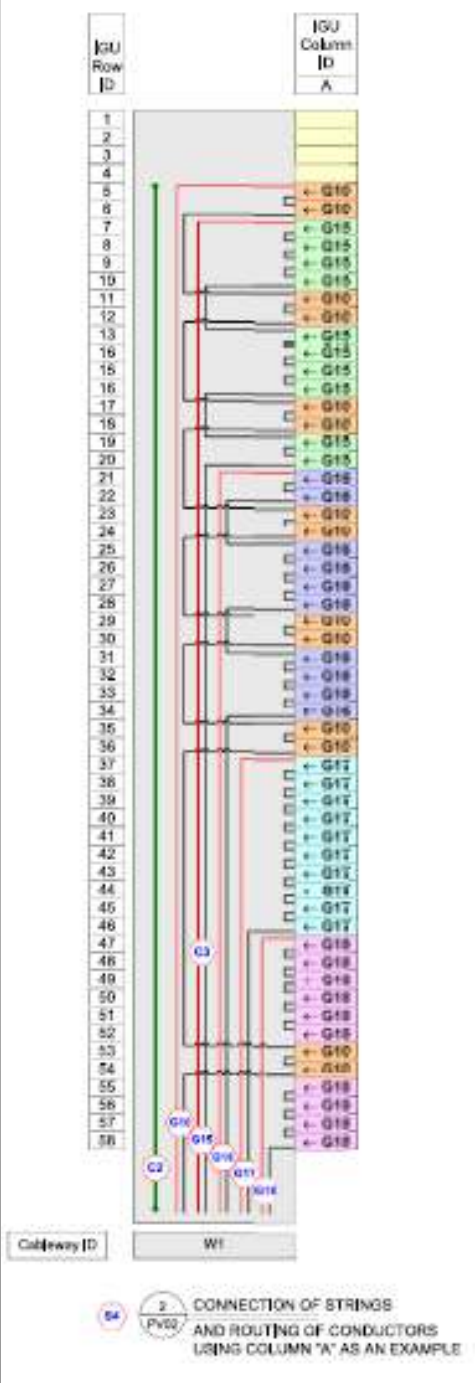
PHOTOVOLTAIC GLASS		2377 x 1130	
TYPE A1		6" Mono	Crystalline
Electrical data test conditions (STC)			
Nominal peak power	286	P_{mpp} (Wp)	
Open-circuit voltage	40	V_{oc} (V)	
Short-circuit current	9.09	I_{sc} (A)	
Voltage at nominal power	33	V_{mpp} (V)	
Current at nominal power	8.54	I_{mpp} (A)	
Power tolerance not to exceed	±10	%	
STC: 1000 W/m ² , AM 1.5 and a cell temperature of 25°C, stabilized module state.			
Mechanical description			
Length	2377	mm	
Width	1130	mm	
Thickness	32.56	mm	
Surface area	2.35	sqm	
Weight	118	Kgs	
Cell type	6" Mono	Crystalline	
No PV cells / Transparency degree	60	41%	
Front Glass	6 mm	Tempered Glass Low-Iron	
Rear Glass	6 mm	Tempered Glass	
Gas Spacer	10 mm	Argon Chamber	
Inner Glass	4 mm	HS Low-e Glass	
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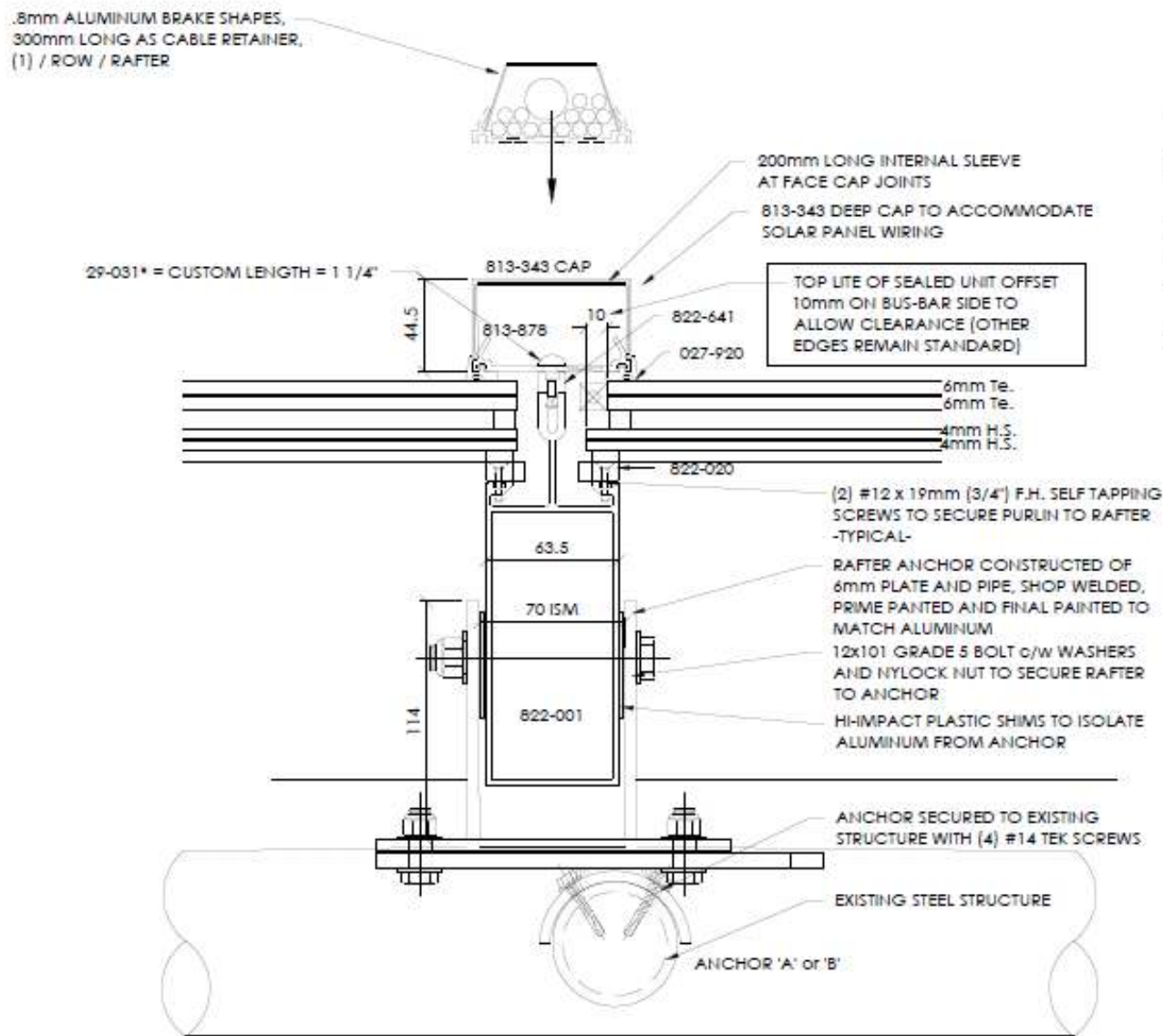
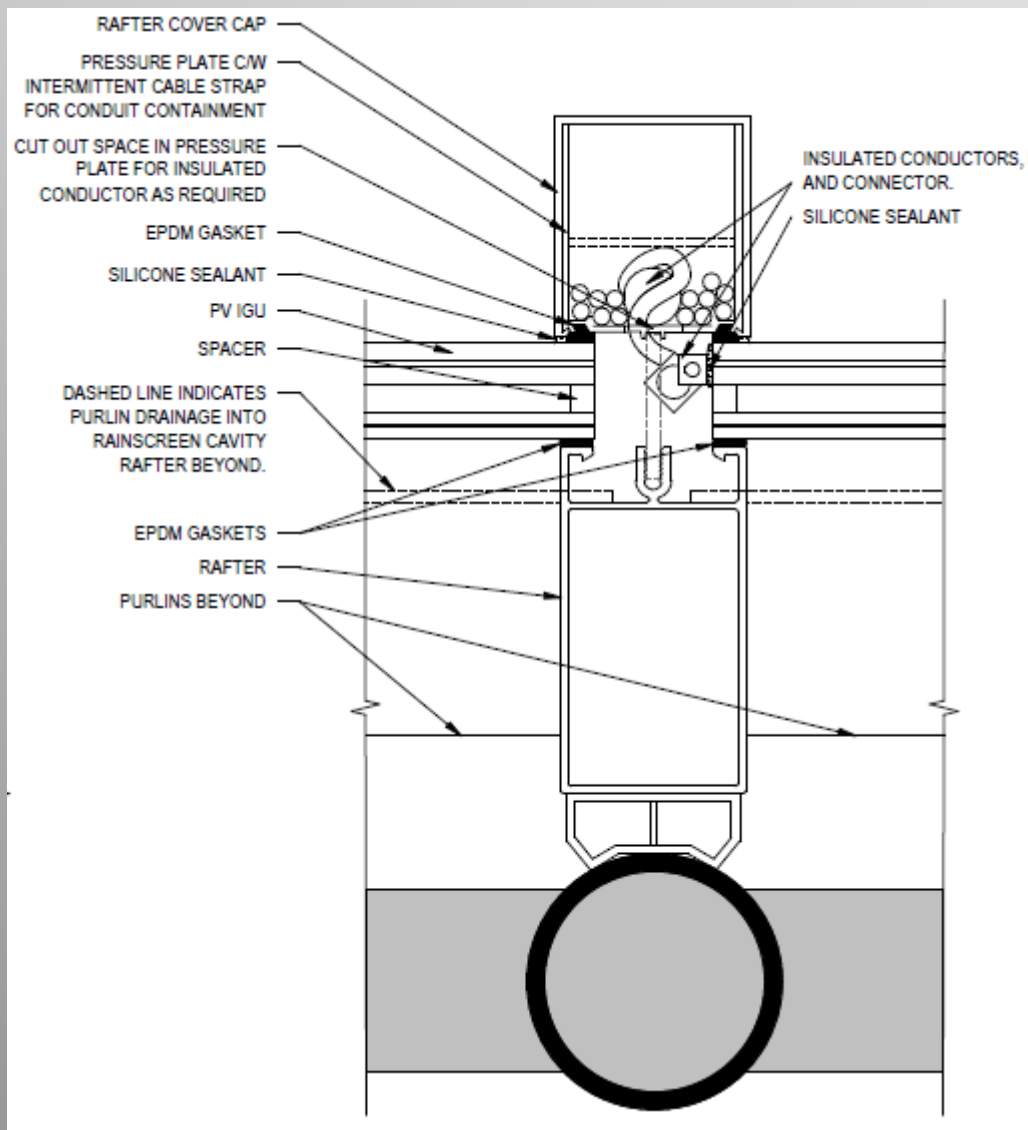
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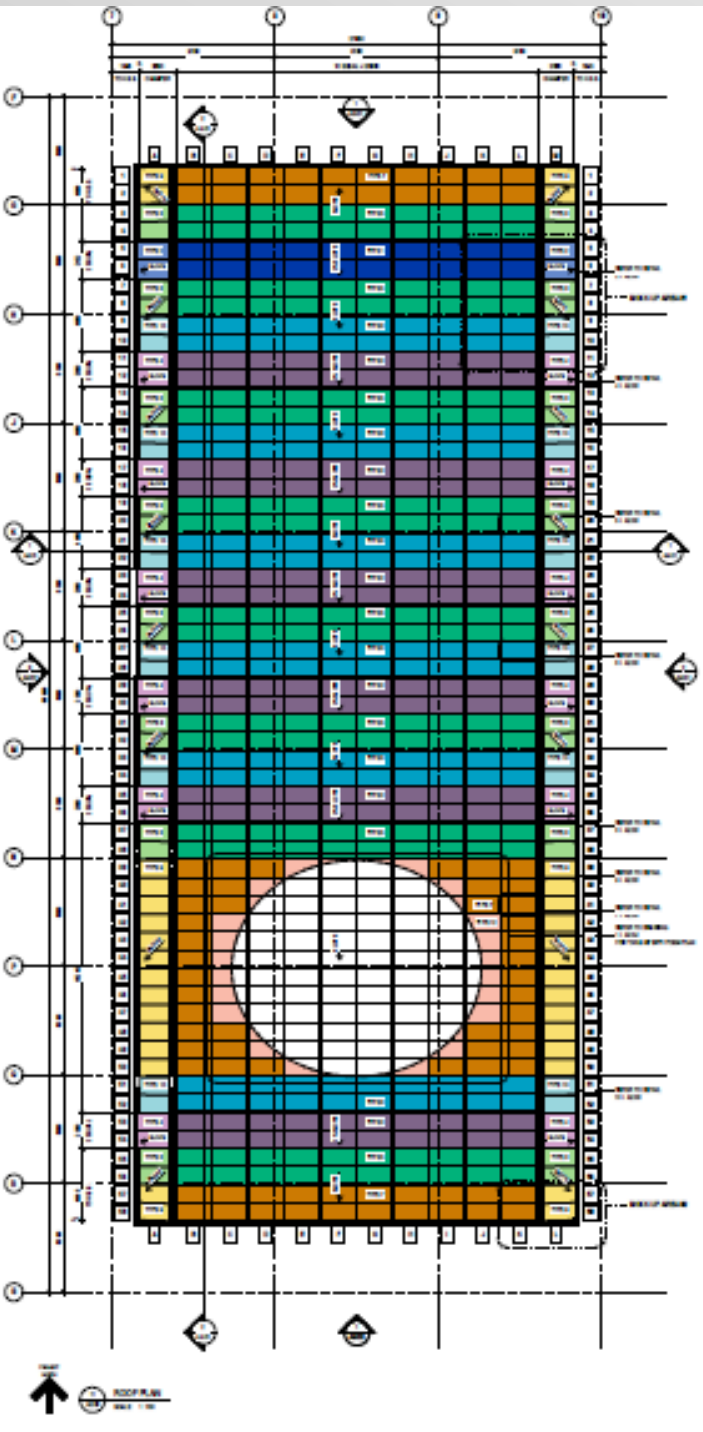
WIRING PLANS – STRING INTERCONNECTION



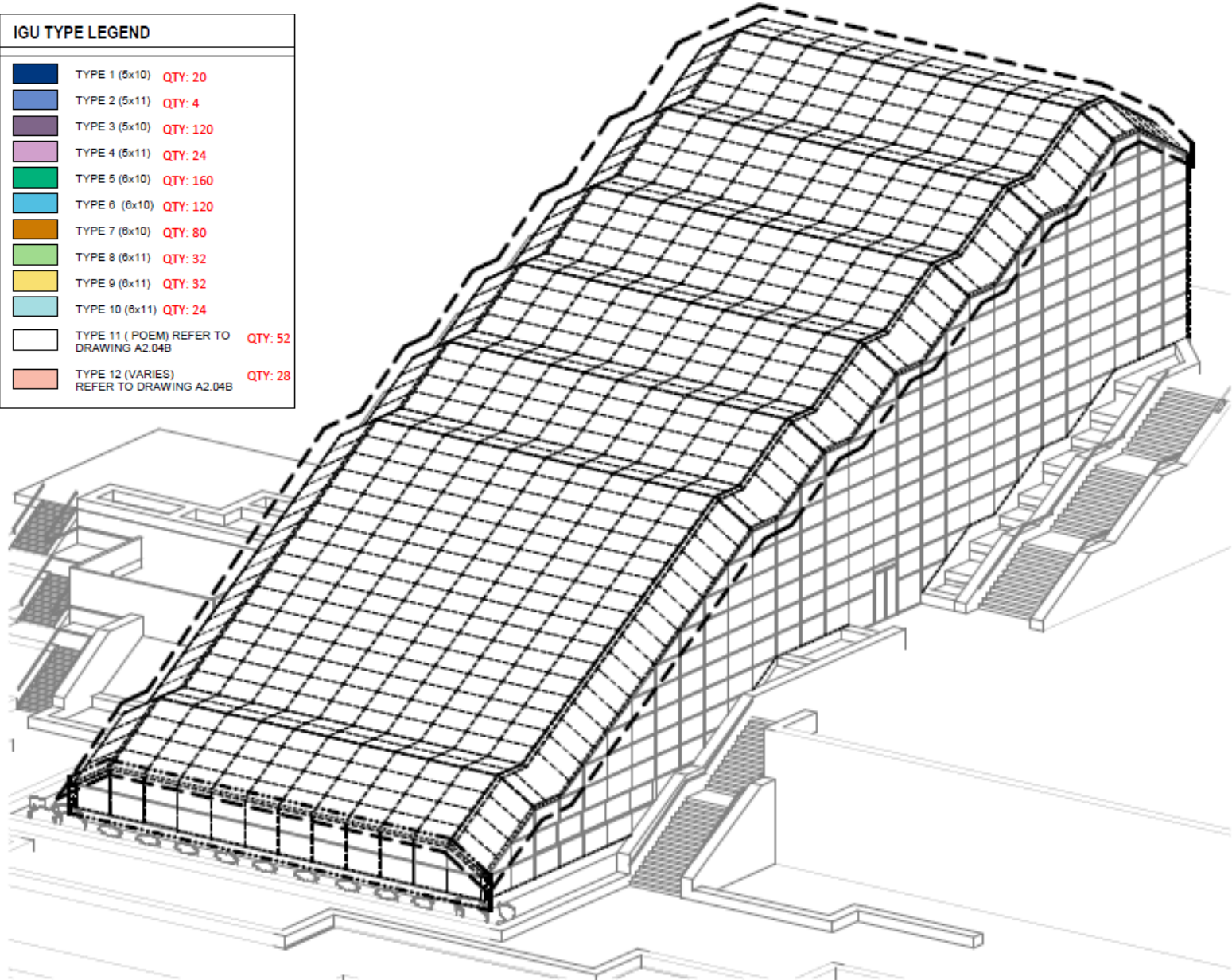
WIRING ROUTE – STRING INTERCONNECTION



126 DIFFERENT TYPES OF UNITS FROM A TOTAL OF 700 UNITS

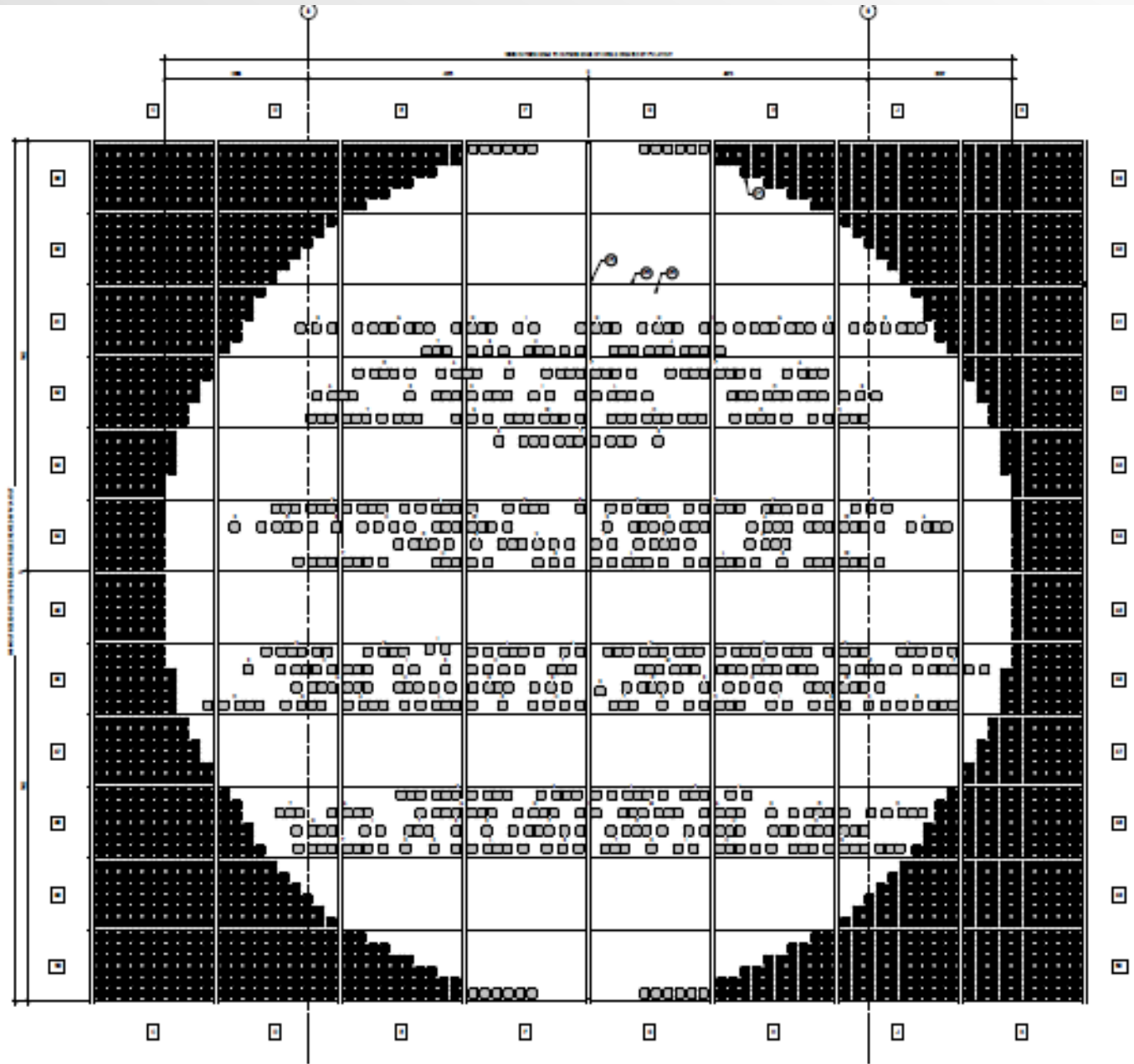


IGU TYPE LEGEND		
	TYPE 1 (5x10)	QTY: 20
	TYPE 2 (5x11)	QTY: 4
	TYPE 3 (5x10)	QTY: 120
	TYPE 4 (5x11)	QTY: 24
	TYPE 5 (6x10)	QTY: 160
	TYPE 6 (6x10)	QTY: 120
	TYPE 7 (6x10)	QTY: 80
	TYPE 8 (6x11)	QTY: 32
	TYPE 9 (6x11)	QTY: 32
	TYPE 10 (6x11)	QTY: 24
	TYPE 11 (POEM) REFER TO DRAWING A2.04B	QTY: 52
	TYPE 12 (VARIES) REFER TO DRAWING A2.04B	QTY: 28



CENTRAL OCULUS

The pattern of the cells opens up to a circular oculus with lines of Morse code that spell out a poem. It is an excerpt of Gifts of a River by E.D. Blodgett, a former Edmonton Poet Laureate





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