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New UF Network Wiring Standards Approved

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UF now has a new network wiring standard in place. UF's OIT Building Network Infrastructure (BNI) Group, headed by Russ Poole, developed this new standard during the last nine months. It was presented to the UF Information Technology Advisory Committee (ITAC) on April 17, 2003, and subsequently approved. This standard will ultimately impact all UF installations, including new construction and major and minor renovations on UF campuses statewide.

In July 2002, Poole began an effort to rewrite the telecommunications construction standards in C.S.I. (Construction Specifications Institute) format to be approved at the provost level to assist telecommunication designers in preparing proper drawings and designs. BNI staff members Plant Rodgers and Sheard Goodwin, who hold BICSI (Building Industry Consulting Service International) Certification, set to work rewriting UF's standards.

During the next few months, the standards underwent a number of changes as they were reviewed by industry professionals and experts on and off campus, including Dr. Chuck Frazier, UF vice provost for Information Technology, and subcommittees of the ITAC committee.

The new standard is intended to ensure that new telecommunications infrastructure is installed to a minimum standard university-wide. It is designed to assist certified designers to prepare a C.S.I. format document for new construction projects, major renovation projects, and minor renovation projects. This document is laid out so that designers can reference C.S.I. section numbers to assist in the creation of the C.S.I. document.

"A common set of network codes and standards is a key concept in enabling Information Technology for UF's community. This document is critical to that mission," Poole said.

For more information, contact Russ Poole of the Building Network Infrastructure Group at <rjp3@ufl.edu [mailto:rjp3@ufl.edu]>. To read the full Standards, see http://net-services.ufl.edu/infrastructure/uf-telecom-standards.pdf.

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