

Swiss Connectivity in New Aurecon Headquarters in Melbourne



Aurecon provides engineering, management and specialist technical services for public and private sector clients all over the world. With an office network extending across 25 countries, Aurecon has been involved in projects in over 80 countries across Africa, Asia Pacific, the Middle East and the Americas and employs around 7500 people throughout 11 industry groups.

R&M was engaged as the end-to-end cabling solution provider for Aurecon's new headquarters, situated at Collins Street, Victoria Harbour, Docklands. With a Green Star rating of 5 and NABERS rating of 4.5, the modern sustainable office building comprises 16000 m² of A Grade commercial office space, with 1400 m² space for retail and car parking.

For 700 of its Melbourne-based staff, Aurecon occupies five interconnected floors in this green building, which offers innovative, market-leading standards in terms of air quality, energy efficiency and sustainability in a high-quality working environment. The Aurecon Centre was designed by Aurecon's engineers, in partnership with developers Lend Lease, with the aim of enhancing colleagues' well-being and ability to connect and collaborate. The fit out design aims to bring to life the brand and business objectives.

R&M was awarded the project with the help of its contractor APPS Electrical, who recommended R&M solutions to the customer because of its product offerings and suitability. Michael Dvorak, Divisional Manager, Communications: "We have been working with R&M for one year now. Through the past year, we've cultivated an excellent working relationship. They have been a great bunch of people to work with, both in

terms of their experience and their professional attitude. Product-wise, R&M definitely lives up to our expectations and to the image people have of Swiss quality, giving us peace of mind."

Quality, performance and security were key factors in choosing the right cabling system. For a large corporation like Aurecon, where high network usage is expected, a performance-driven cabling system is necessary to fulfill the requirements. Based on that, the R&M Cat.6_A UTP copper system and OM4 fiber pre-term solution were chosen. This being R&M Australia's first Cat.6_A UTP project, where 3000 outlets were installed, it is of great importance and definitely a milestone. R&M is honored to be part of it and believes this is a good project reference in the portfolio.



The project timeline was relatively short and everything had to commence within a short notice period. The team was faced with the pressure of bringing in the cables on time to ensure project commencement. Despite the challenges faced, R&M and CRS (official distributor of R&M Australia) reacted swiftly and were able to bring in the materials on time, allowing smooth project execution.

R&M is grateful to have appointed CRS as distribution partner. The company provided excellent support and did a fantastic job in making sure the items were delivered on time despite the short timeline. Special thanks go to Mark Dessent, Victorian State Manager of CRS, and Steve McLeod, Victorian Operations Manager of CRS, for their hard work and commitment. ■

