

WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY TRAINING SEMINAR SERIES 1 OF 3

IN-BUILDING CELLULAR AND PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO SYSTEMS

UNDERSTANDING CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE SECTION 510

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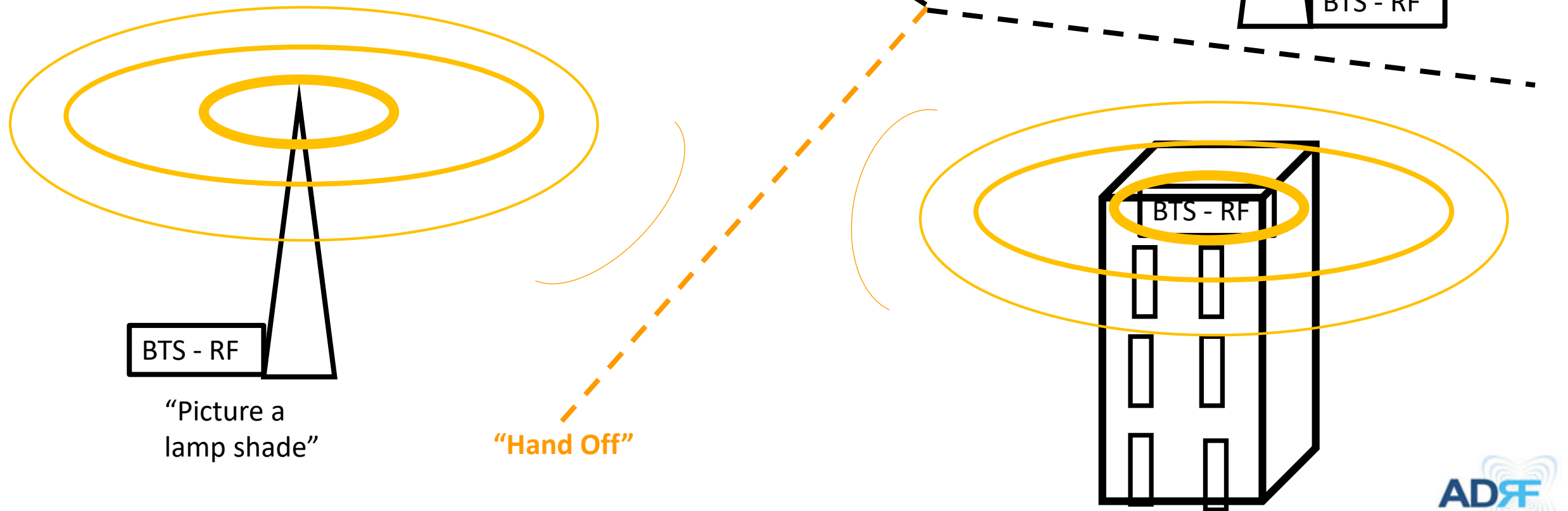
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Introduction to 'In-Building DAS and Public Safety Radio Systems'

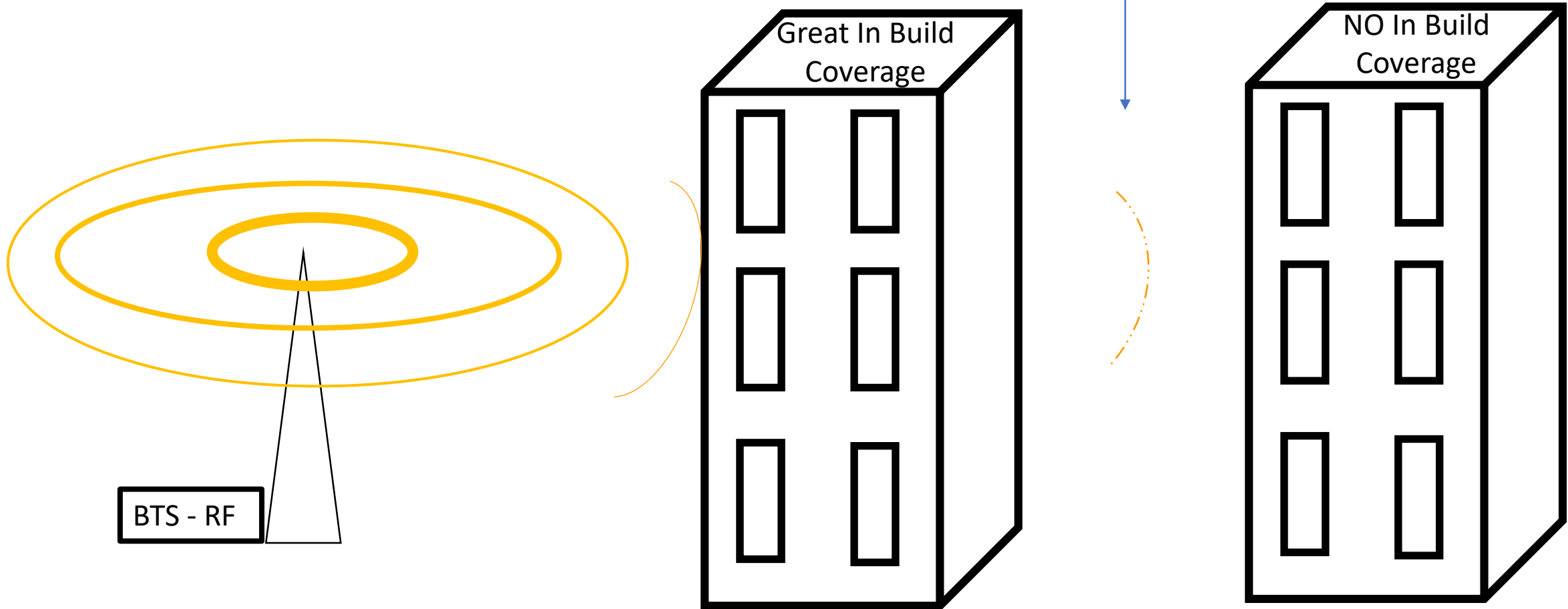
In the Beginning – The 80's

- Macro Network: 100s-1000s of tower sites/city - buildings too.
- Office and Home phones were **AWESOME!**



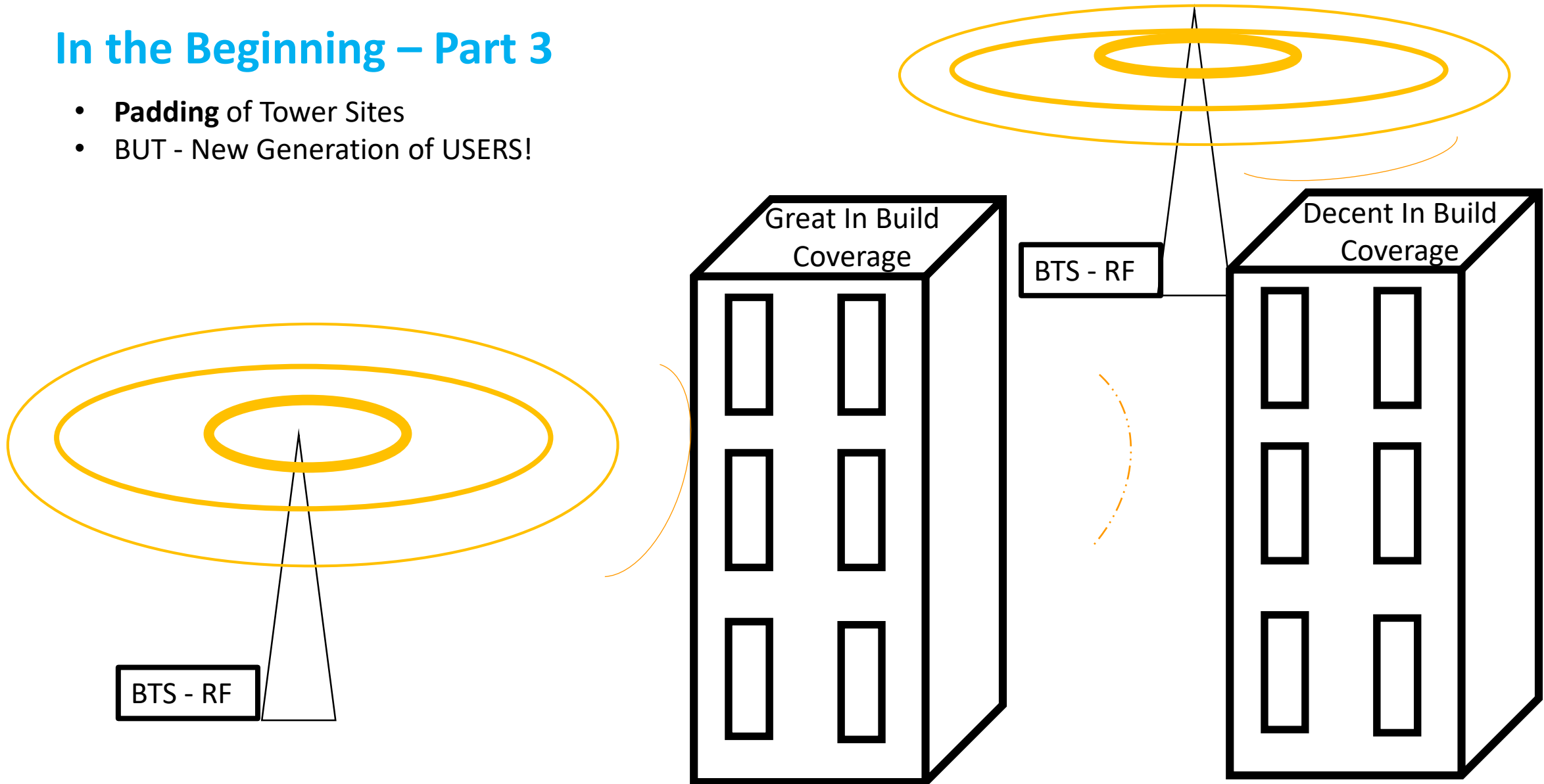
In the Beginning – Part 2

- “In building” coverage was limited
- BUT – Office and Home phones RULED!



In the Beginning – Part 3

- **Padding** of Tower Sites
- BUT - New Generation of USERS!



Where We Are Today

- Mobile all the time NOW(75% or more of calls made indoors)
- The coverage and capacity need is **ASTONISHING**
- Macro sites are tapped out – zoning laws and cost
- New buildings are more energy efficient than ever – **Windows = Concrete**

RF principles and understanding

- Frequency
- Power (watts)



Exhibit A (slide 6/ next slide)

What can we do today

- Passive- Repeater (BDA)
- Active- DAS utilizing fiber



Exhibit B (slide 7)

We do MORE than just Commercial

- **Public Safety** – almost always in red.
- We do Both – **PS (Public Safety)** and Commercial



Exhibit C (slide 8)

RF Principles and Understanding

Frequency ranges – Low to High

150 - VHF

450 – UHF

600 - Commercial

700 – First Net – Band 14

700 - Commercial

800 – Public Safety

850 – Commercial

1700 – 2100 – AWS Commercial (4&66)

1900 – PCS - Commercial

2.3 – WCS – Commercial

2.5 – Sprint Only

3.6 – CBRS – Private LTE, **NEXT BIG THING?**

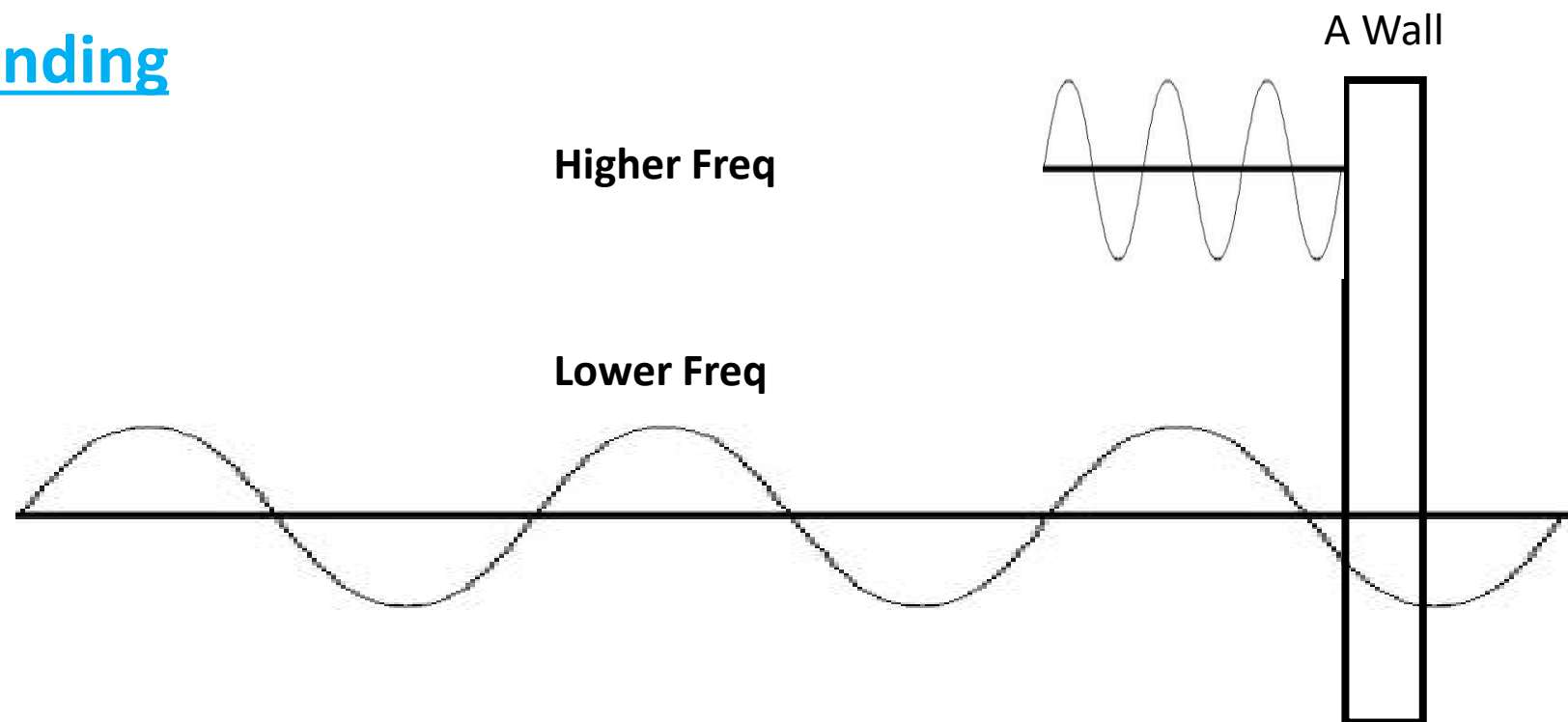
Power-Watts & dBm elaborated

1w = 30dBm

2w = 33dBm

4w = 36dBm

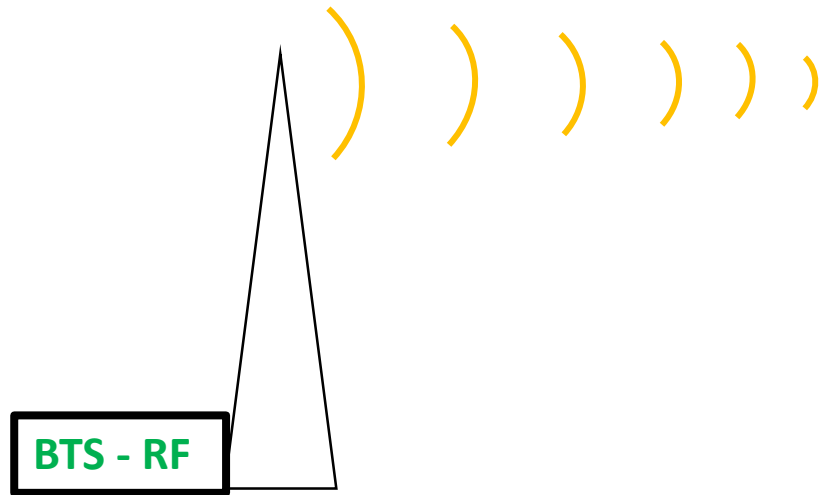
20w=43dBm (High Pwr)



Nomenclature:

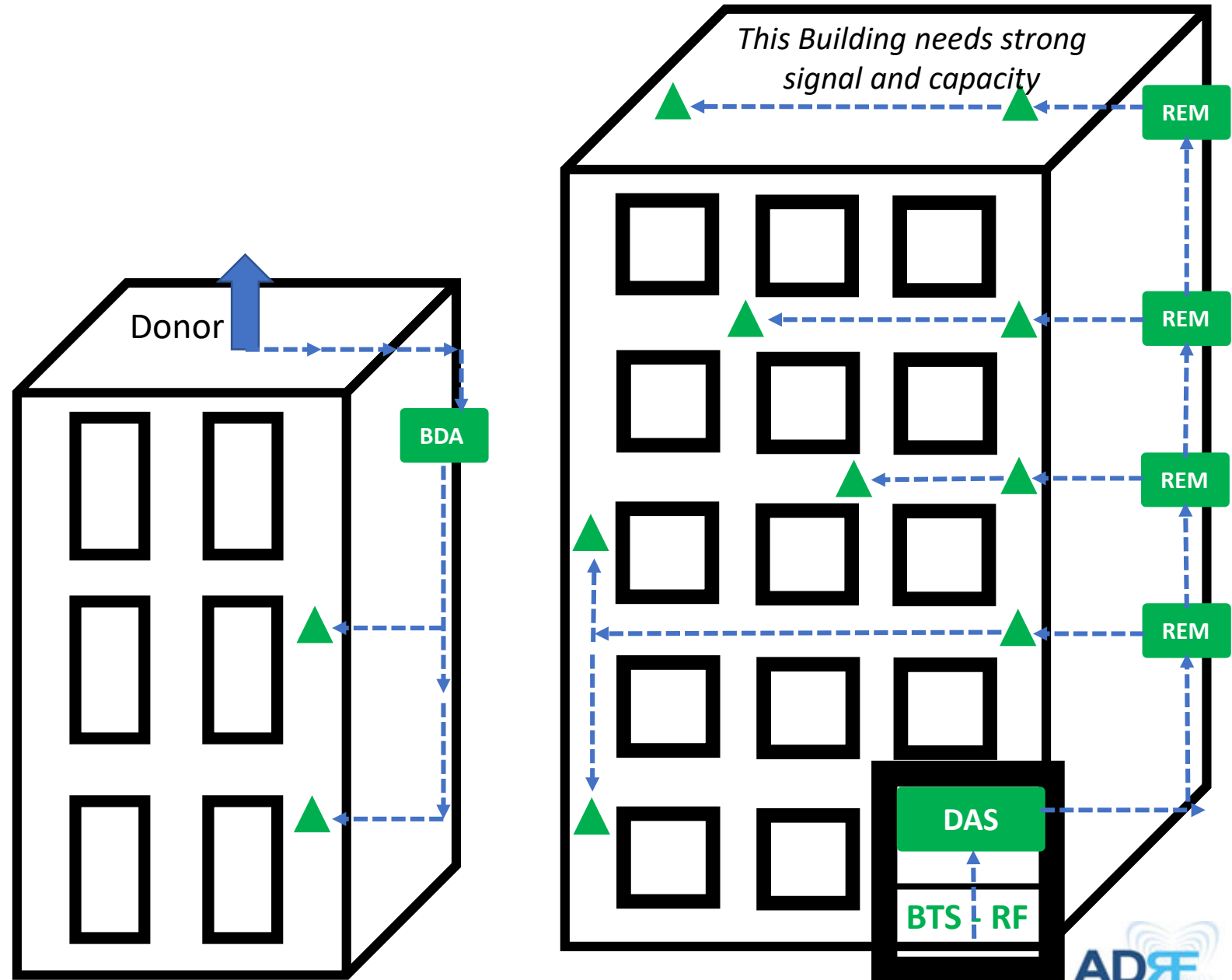
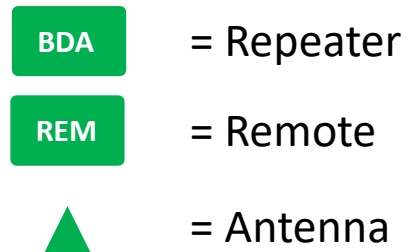
- *Head End* – location of DAS/RF equipment (not fiber remotes)
- **2Hr Safe Room** – Head End that can survive 2 hrs of fire
- *iDAS* – indoor, *oDAS* outdoor (stadium)
- **NFPA 1221 and IFC** – Public Safety Codes
- *SNR* – Signal over noise (signal to noise ratio)
- **AHJ** – authority having jurisdiction (fire marshal)
- *5G* – not frequency but “generation”

What Can We Do Today



- Repeater (BDA) – Passive and low cost
- DAS – Active and additional cost

Note: (showing downlink only)

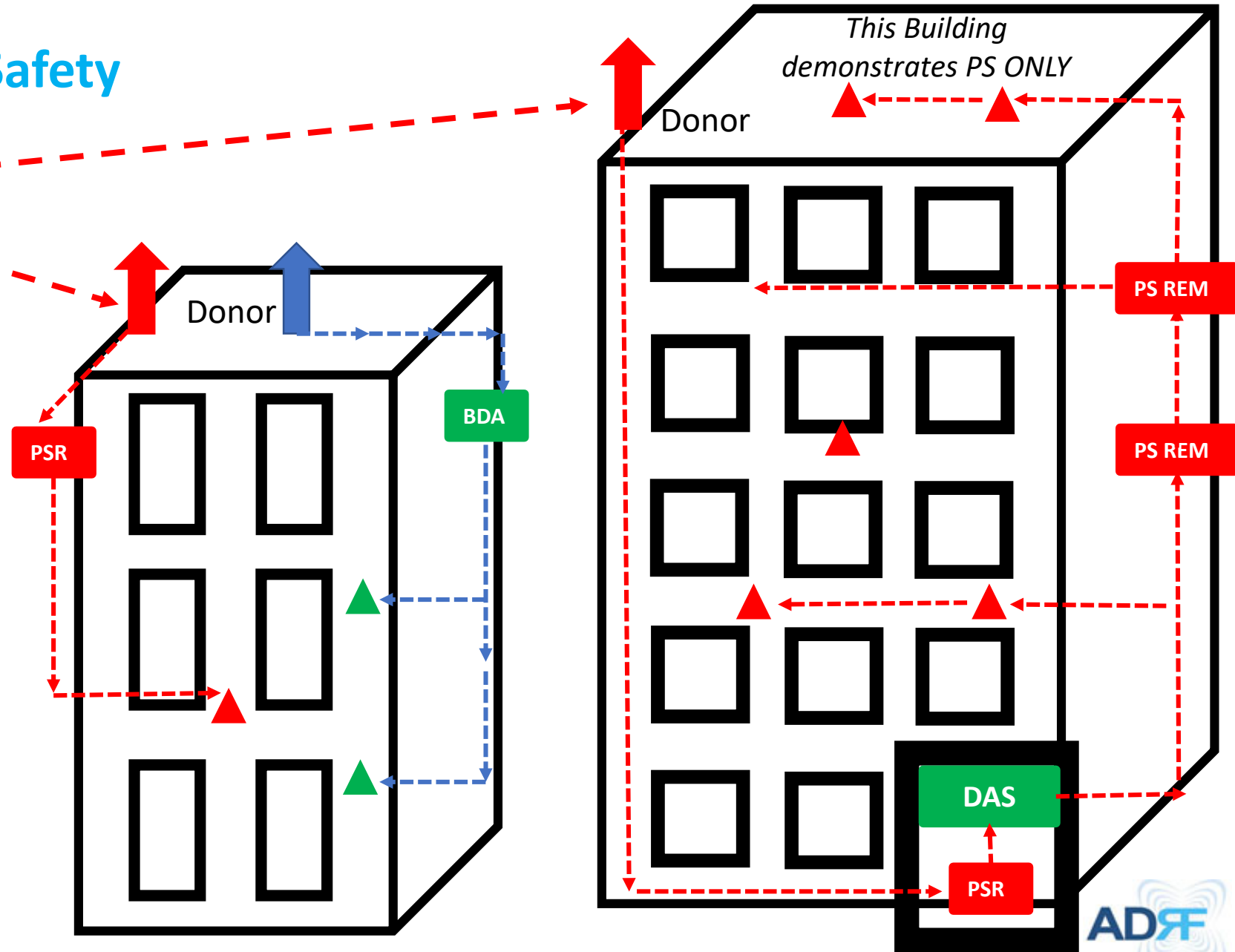


Commercial and Public Safety



(Miles Away)

- PSR** = Public Safety Repeater
- PS REM** = Public Safety Remote
- ▲** = Antenna



ADRF's Daily Role

Compelling Event:

1. Do you need an occupancy permit?
2. Do you have coverage in your building?

Is there a budget?

1. Enterprise funded?
2. Will a Carrier help?

Utilities

1. Electricity
2. Water
3. Landlines
4. **WIRELESS COVERAGE?**

Public Safety (PS) – laws and liability compliance (Fear Uncertainty Doubt)

Cellular

Most people expect wireless coverage.

General/High traffic areas need coverage.

Battery backup not required

Not Mission critical

Coverage and Capacity sought

Carrier approval for RF sources



Public Safety

Enterprises cannot get a permit without Public Safety coverage.

Elevators, stairwells, and edges need coverage (99% mission critical)

Battery backup REQUIRED: 12hrs, UL2524

Mission Critical – survive fire/water – **NFPA & IFC code requirements: UL2524** (we comply)

Just Coverage is most important

Authority Having Jurisdiction(AHJ) approval – RF source transmitted by city/county

Both Cellular/Commercial services and **Public Safety(PS)** are critical in the event of an emergency (911 CALLS) and Emergency Personal Communication

Types of Inbuilding DAS

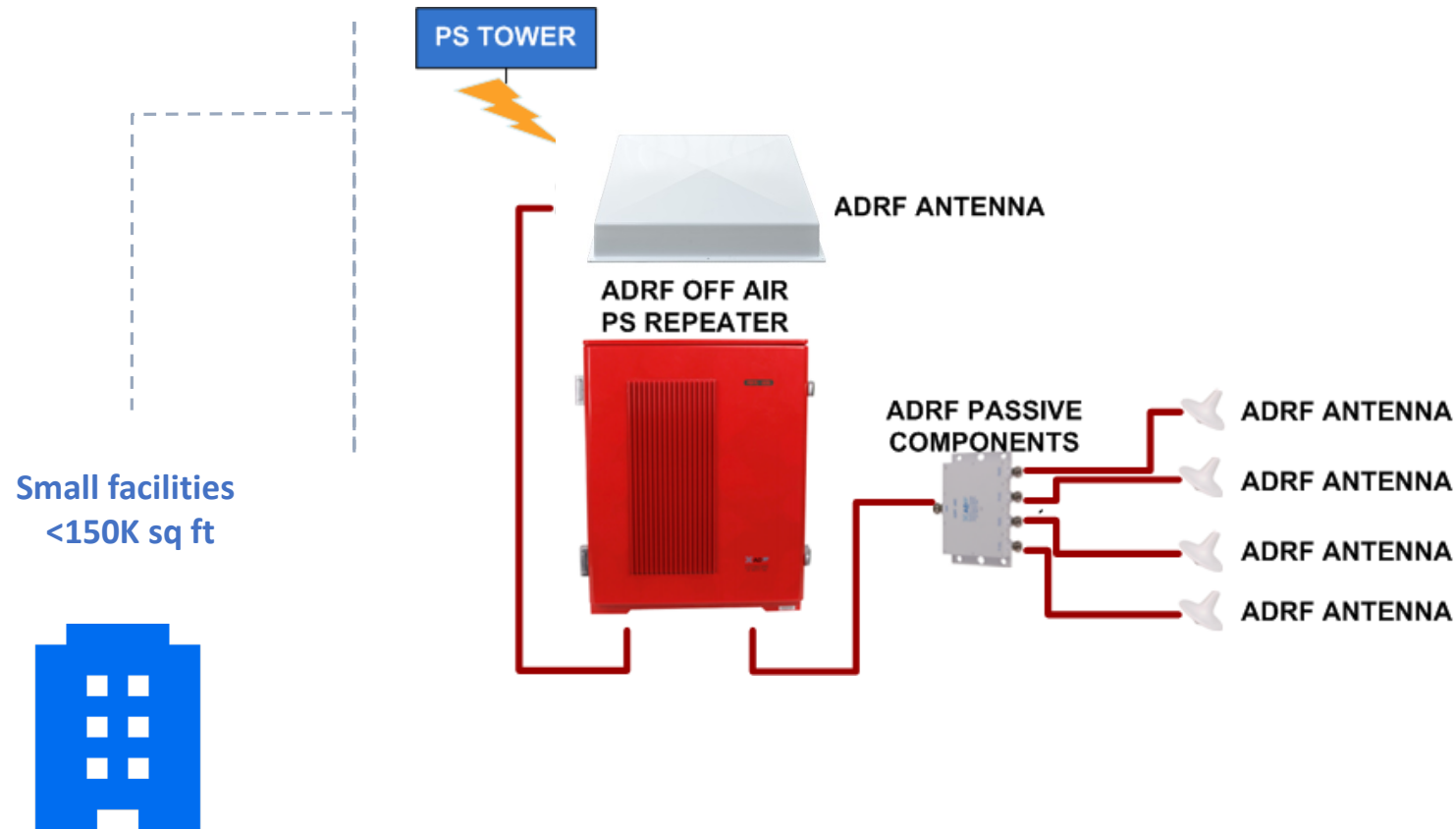
Passive DAS:

- A passive DAS is comprised of signal source, typically a **repeater** (BDA), that feeds a network of **passive** components to feed server antennas and provide coverage throughout a building.
- Typically used in **small to medium** sized buildings.
- More common solution for Public Safety than Commercial due to the use of lower frequency bands. This allows for better propagation and ability to cover larger areas with the same RF output power.

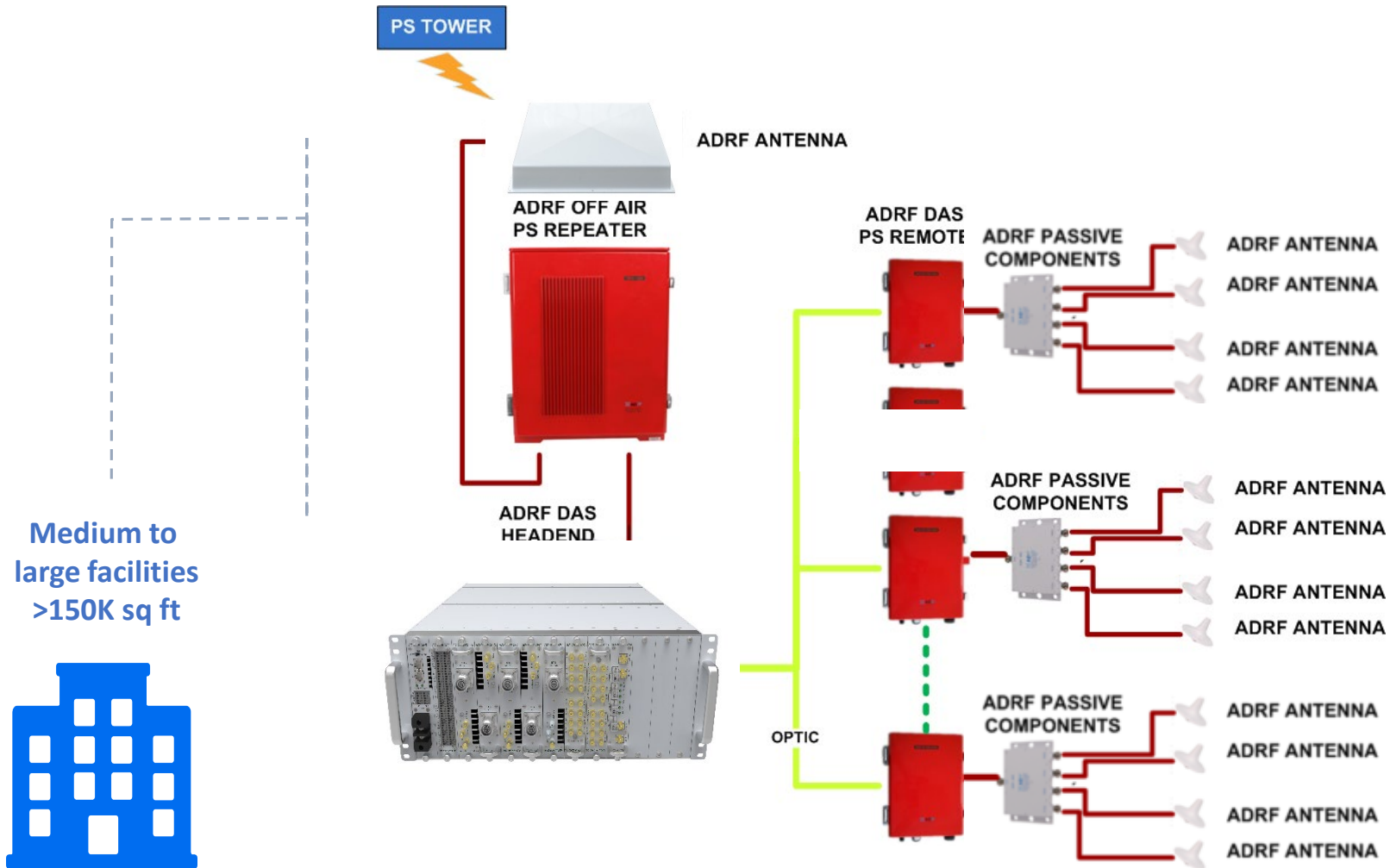
Active DAS:

- An active DAS (also known as fiber DAS) is comprised of a signal source, typically a **repeater** (BDA) that feeds into a **fiber DAS** headend. The signal is converted from RF to optical and distributed over fiber to multiple **remote** amplifier locations where it's converted back to RF and distributed to **passive** networks of components and antennas
- These systems are typically used in **medium to large** sized venues.

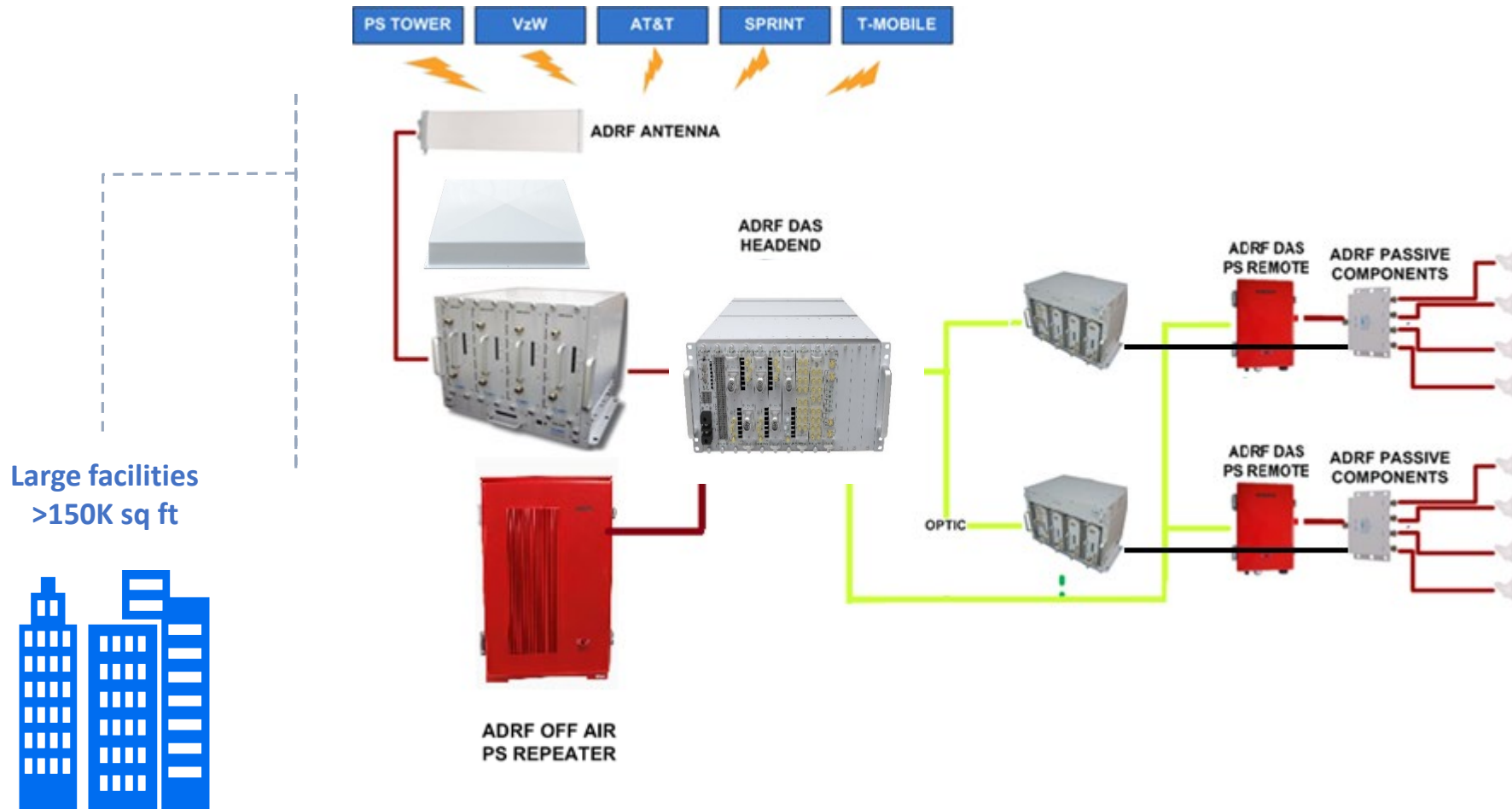
Small Deployment: Public Safety Passive Repeater System



Medium Deployment: Public Safety Active Fiber DAS



Large Deployment: Commercial + Public Safety Active Fiber DAS



Public Safety Codes

Quick Code Reference*	NFPA 72 - 2013	NFPA 1221 - 2016	IFC 510 - 2015	IFC 510 - 2018
In-Building Solution Required	NFPA 1 Section 11.10	NFPA 1 Section 11.10	Sec. 510.1	Sec. 510.1
Pathway Survivability for Coaxial Cable Required	2 Hour for Riser Coaxial Cable – Sec. 24.3.13.8.4	2-Hour for Riser Coaxial Cable - Sec. 9.6.2.1.3	Not Specifically Addressed in Section 510. Referenced in NFPA 72 Sec. 24.3.13.8.4	Yes, Section 510.4.2. Reference to NFPA 1221. ** Also See NFPA 1221 TIA 16-2
Plenum Rated Coaxial Cable Required	Yes, Riser & Feeder Coaxial Cable Sec. 24.3.13.8.3	Yes, Riser & Feeder Coaxial Cable – Sec. 9.6.2.1.1.1	Not Specifically Addressed in Section 510. Referenced in NFPA 72 Sec. 24.3.13.8.3	Yes, Sec. 510.4.2. Reference to NFPA 1221
Lightning Protection Required	Not addressed in Section 24.5.2	Yes, In accordance with NFPA 780 – Sec. 9.6.3	Not Specifically Addressed in Section 510	Yes, Sec. 510.4.2 Per NFPA 780 as Referenced in NFPA 1221
Isolation of Donor Antenna Required	Yes, 15 db – Sec. 24.5.2.3.3	Yes, 20 db – Sec. 9.6.9	Not Specifically Addressed in Section 510	Yes, 20 db – Sec. 510.4.2.4 (4)
Battery Backup Required	12 Hours – Sec. 24.5.2.5.5.2	12 Hours – Sec. 9.6.12.2		12 Hours – Sec. 510.4.2.3 or 2-Hours Battery w/ Emergency Generator
Signal Strength & Area Coverage Required	-95 dBm – Sec. 24.5.2.3	DAQ 3.0 - Sec. 9.6.8	-95 dBm – Sec. 510.4.1	DAQ 3.0 - Sec. 510.4.1.1
	90% General – Sec. 24.5.2.2.1	90% General - Sec. 9.6.7.5	95% General – Sec. 510.4.1	95% General - Sec. 510.4.1
Monitoring By Fire Alarm Required	Yes – Sec. 24.5.2.6	Yes – Sec. 9.6.13	No	Yes – 510.4.2.5
Cabinets for Equipment & Battery Backup Required	Yes, NEMA 4/NEMA 4X – Sec. 24.5.2.5.2	Yes, NEMA 4/NEMA 4X – Sec. 9.6.11.2	Yes, NEMA 4 – Sec. 510.4.2.4 (1) & (2)	Yes, NEMA 4/NEMA 3R – Sec. 510.4.2.4 (1) & (2)
Monitor Antenna Malfunction Required	Yes, Donor Antenna – Sec. 24.5.2.6(2)(a)	Yes, Donor Antenna – Sec. 9.6.13.1(2)(a)	Not Specifically Addressed in Section 510	Yes, Donor Antenna – Sec. 510.4.2.4(4)
System Acceptance/Testing	Section 24.5.2.1.2	Section 9.6.4, 11.3.9 & 11.3.9.1	Section 510.5.3	Section 510.5.3

Thank You

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