

Level II to the Rescue

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Within the Penitentiary of New Mexico Level 5 and 6 facilities (maximum security), a need existed for cable television wiring as Cable TV is a means of broadcasting educational programs to the inmates within their cells. This project required the individual assembly and testing of 600 cables. Led by students in Bill Heenan's classes of Copper and Fiber Optic cabling, inmates in the Penitentiary Level 2 facility (minimum security) came to the rescue. Working on their breaks and in the afternoons after class, the inmate teams worked together, in assembly-line fashion, for almost three weeks putting these cables together. One inmate would cut the cable, another would strip, another would crimp and yet another would test the cable utilizing the DAVE-3 Testers. The installation is going smoothly thanks to Bill and all his students. Job well done!

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