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**Canopy at Delivery Door
Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.
Dallas, Texas**

The objective was straight-forward enough. Design a sheltering canopy over a delivery door at a building built in the post-war 1950s – when aeronautics and aluminum represented the future. This structure protects the entrance as required, and its form and aluminum skin pay homage to the building's history. The aluminum cladding has no exposed fasteners; each plank snaps into place covering the fasteners of the preceding plank. The single structural support also contains the roof drain, obviating the need for exposed downspouts.