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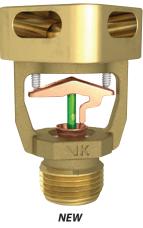
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### From the President's Desk

Shane Ray

### **Another Positive Transition**

arry Thau served two terms (4 years) as NFSA's Chair of the Board and recently transitioned the gavel to Kent Mezaros from Quick Response Fire Protection in New Jersey. As a part of this transition and recent NFSA transitions, Larry Thau will remain on our Manufacturers' Council and Board of Directors as Victaulic's representative. Chair Thau provided diplomatic guidance and leadership to me as the President and I look forward to Chair Mezaros' leadership to direct us to the next level.

In 2015, the Board of Directors successfully transitioned the position of President from Russ Fleming to me, and in 2017 we successfully relocated the national head-quarters of NFSA from New York to Maryland. Now, 2018 marks another major transition for the NFSA with the election of new officers. On his leadership team, Chair



Mezaros has Jim Boulanger from Patriot Fire Protection in Washington State as Vice Chair and Bruce LaRue

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of Potter Electric Signal as Treasurer. Jim has served the past two terms as the Treasurer and Chair Mezaros has served the past two terms as Vice Chair. Bruce LaRue becomes the first SAM (Suppliers and Manufacturers) Council member to serve as an officer in the organization's history.

Our 2018 conference will be a great venue to swear these new officers into their positions in front of the general membership. Our conferences and annual seminar have also been part of a positive transition and we feel the installation of our Board Officers should allow an added touch and highlight the positive transition.

During this conference we will bestow our highest awards in the industry. As I said at the Board of Directors dinner in San Antonio in March when we recognized Chief Charles Hood with the Leadership in Public Safety Award, accomplishing significant advancements in fire- and life- safety requires "layers of leadership". We have layers of leadership in our industry. Not only does leadership play a role today, it is the legacy

of those who have served so well before us. The NFSA's incoming officers are building on those who have served before them, and this Association is built on the legacy of those before us.

It is an honor to have learned the legacy of our Golden Sprinkler Award winner Jay Livingston, but most of all it has been a blessing to know Jay and the impact he has made in his company, the NFSA, Maryland, and across the country. From his days in the Silver Spring Fire Department he has shaped many, including one of my mentors, Jim Dalton. The fist time I met Jay he was giving me information to promote fire sprinklers at the community and state level.

Speaking of legacy, it is an honor to have brainstormed ideas at a conference with the recipient of the Russell P. Fleming Award, George Stanley. The feedback from George led to the creation of our blended learning training programs at NFSA. Not only has George contributed in ways he may not even know, he has surely contributed to NFSA through the Engineering and Standards (E&S) Committee.

The Hall of Fame inductees have all contributed to the betterment of the fire sprinkler industry. I am sorry to say that I did not know them all, but, I hope that someday you will be able to visit NFSA Headquarters and see and learn all about the contributions of these invaluable individuals and the role they played in the shaping of our industry. It is the vision of our Building Committee Chair, and now Vice Chair of the Board,

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# The Federal Government *Now Provides A Tax Incentive* to Protect Lives and Property with Fire Sprinklers

Companies, especially small businesses, may now utilize changes made in the recently passed tax reform bill for accelerated cost recovery for the installation, upgrade, or retrofit of fire sprinkler systems in their properties.

Never before has this type of incentive for fire sprinkler systems been available. Previously, fire sprinkler systems were depreciated over 39 years in commercial buildings and 27.5 years in residential structures.

There is now a significant incentive that potentially would allow for immediate cost recovery!

The National Fire Sprinkler Association encourages business and industry owners to contact their tax professionals and refer them to the changes in Section 179 of the recently passed tax reform legislation (P.L. 115-97).

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### From the Chairman's Desk

Kent Mezaros

# To Tweet or not to Tweet (that is a very good question)

or many of you that have not previously gotten the chance to meet me, please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Kent Mezaros and I was recently elected the Chair of the Board of the National Fire Sprinkler Association. I am both humbled and honored to have been given the opportunity to serve the fire sprinkler industry in this capacity.

Just a brief background on myself: I am CEO of Quick Response Fire Protection, a fire protection contractor from New Jersey (which in the future will just be referred to as "Jersey"). I got my start in the industry over 30 years ago working for my father-in-law, Al Carnegie, in his fire sprinkler business. Al was my first mentor. Al subscribed



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to the "Let him be, he will figure it out for himself (or not)" method of mentorship. While that method may not work for everyone, it fortunately worked for me. While striving to learn more on how to be successful in the fire protection industry, I was lucky enough to meet my second mentor, Shawn Love of Grinnell Fire Protection in New Jersey. Shawn encouraged me to attend and become involved in the local NFSA Jersey Chapter and it was there that I truly started to understand our industry and learn from all the wonderful, intelligent, and experienced people that I have met.

Having served the past four years as Vice Chair of the Board under Chair Larry Thau, I had the opportunity to see Larry's cool demeanor and calming influence on the Board during a period of a transition that the NFSA had never experienced before. I promise you that I will not be able to speak anywhere near as eloquently as Chairman Thau. My background had me sorting fittings in the shop prior to product procurement, design, management and administration. No fancy degrees or dozens of patents next to my name. My upbringing did however assist me in the ability to speak a tad more colorfully and I've been told I can be enjoyable to share a cocktail with (although I am much more of a beer and wine guy). I've never been afraid to work hard and you can be sure that I will try my hardest and to the best of my abilities to keep NFSA pointed in the right direction.

That brings me to some of my early struggles in trying to decide on what type of leader I should be and how to deliver my messages. Social media is an amazing thing. The only newspaper I find myself reading is our local area paper (my wife and I live at the Jersey Shore and there is a 30-page weekly half filled with articles that I'm semi-addicted to) and the only news I tend to watch is also the very local New Jersey Channel 12 news. However, I find myself more informed on both current events and world news than ever before. Each morning I quickly look to my smartphone and quickly get caught up in real time. Like many of today's young people I will check it regularly, all day long. NFSA does an awesome job on Twitter, LinkedIn and Facebook as do many Manufacturers, Suppliers, Contractors and local chapters, and it is here that I'm constantly updated on what is happening within our industry.

I too am on Twitter (@kentmezaros1) but you will find most of my current tweets are re-tweets of others who may have brought something topical, interesting or humorous to the rest of the world. I assume this may make me appear as a lazy tweeter, but maybe I'm still just trying to find my way in delivering social media. My daughter will quickly share in regards to my Instagram account, my comments often garner a "what does

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### From the Chairman's Desk

### Kent Mezaros

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that mean?" response from her (luckily I have a grand total of 25 followers on Instagram). Undoubtedly, a covfefe moment will appear in my Twitter future. Please accept my apology now so we can get that out of the way. I too like giving people nicknames, and if you find a Miller Lite Boy reference in one of my tweets, please just assume that I am lovingly referring to our incredibly hard-working President (of the NFSA that is).

I have a great deal of confidence in our president and his team. I was on the committee that brought Shane Ray back to the NFSA and will continue to work with Shane and our staff to make sure that NFSA remains as the Voice of the Fire Sprinkler Industry. For those of you that will be attending our Annual Business and Leadership Conference in Ft. Lauderdale please be sure to come say hello. I look forward to seeing or meeting you.

Respectfully yours,

Kent Mezaros, Chairman

### From the **President's** Desk

Shane Ray

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Jim Boulanger, to have a building for our office in the future that will honor those who have contributed so much and made NFSA and the fire sprinkler industry what it is today.

I am honored to present five Presidents Awards this year at the conference. These five individuals played the most significant role in one of the industry's biggest accomplishments. I hope you are with us at the conference to see these recipients. I will write more about them in the future and the roles they played.

A Stronger Industry...A Safer World is the vision for NFSA that drives our mission, "to protect lives and property from fire through the widespread acceptance of the fire sprinkler concept." The strength of the fire sprinkler industry is built on the legacy of so many great people who have served. We will get stronger because of the leaders who are currently serving, as well as those who will follow. Thank you for the opportunity to serve this great industry. It is an honor and I pledge to serve with passion and professionalism.

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# CONTRACTOR'S CUE

### For Success in Any Business Organization, Everybody Must Sell

By Mary Anne Wihbey Davis

If you are in business, it is because you believe your products or services are worth having. You know your potential customer base and you know they could really use what you have to offer. So, why are they not buying? Maybe it is because they do not know you are selling. Are you selling or telling? Does your presentation speak to their buying motives or is it about your product? If you are having problems "making the sale", consider the four question sets and suggestions below. Then create a plan to change your approach to improve your sales process.

### 1. Are you building an ongoing relationship?

Or are you just trying to get the order today rather than going for a lifetime customer? Research the customer and their industry before attending a meeting and learn to speak the customer's language. Be sure to let them know you value their time and state the purpose for every encounter with them.

### 2. What value do you offer the customer?

What makes what you are selling better than what your competition offers? Better does not mean cheaper, instead it should provide a solution to the customer's problem. Do they need speed, accuracy, ease-of-use, or something else? Selling values means matching your presentation to what the customer needs.

### 3. Are you hard-selling the customer?

Or are you getting their requirements in order to help to ease their "pain" caused by not having what you are offering them? You have to let the customer talk more than you do, or you will not find out what they really need and want from you. If they are not talking, get their permission to ask questions. Then ask the right questions for the right purpose at the right time.

4. Do you use the words "but" or "however" when the customer raises an objection? These are fighting words that put the customer on the defensive. Avoid them by getting the customer to talk more using questions or "and" statements to build bridges in the conversation. "And" statements are a way you can reiterate the value of your product or service as it relates the customer's "pain" or latest objection.

Remember every big business started as a small one. F.G. (Buck) Rogers once said "At IBM everybody sells! Every employee has been trained to think that the customer comes first - everybody from the CEO, to the people in finance, to the receptionists, to those who work in manufacturing."

Selling must be part of your business. Selling is not a dirty word nor is it an unpleasant task if you do it right. Without sales, you have no business. So get out there and start selling!

Mary Anne (Wihbey) Davis is the President and Founder of Peak Performance Solutions and author of "The Sales Messenger: Ten Lessons for Sales Success in Your Business and Personal Life." She is committed to "moving individuals to action" through training and advanced learning.

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### Change Orders

By Richard Zisholtz

Editor's note: Richard Zisholtz comments on New York State law.

Change orders are often a major issue in construction litigation. Whether certain work was included in the initial scope of work can sometimes be a matter of debate. It is always best practices to have all change orders in writing and signed by all parties — it can certainly help avoid issues of proof in the event litigation ensues.

The question I am often asked is; when a contract requires that change orders be written, will a contractor be precluded from compensation for the additional work if he or she failed to get a written change order?

Contractors and subcontractors are often instructed by owners to go ahead with certain additional work with a verbal acknowledgment that payment will be forthcoming. After, the extra work is completed, sometimes owners will try and avoid payment by alleging that all of the change orders were required to be written pursuant to the underlying contract.

While it is best to have written change orders, the law states that oral directions to perform extra work, or even the general course of conduct between the parties, may modify or eliminate contract provisions requiring written authorizations or notices of claims. Thus, if a contractor completed certain work that was outside the initial scope, it will be entitled to compensation.

Keeping meticulous records and having an attorney review your contract can help avoid many potential issues.

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# An Introduction to Corrosion in Sprinkler Systems: Its Identification and Mitigation

by Mark Hopkins P.E., NFSA's V.P. of Engineering



Corrosion and fire are both oxidation reduction reactions that manifest in very different ways. When fire happens, heat and light are generated, smoke is produced and its presence is typically known in a short period of time. By its very definition it is a rapid oxidation reduction reaction. Corrosion does not happen as fast at all, at least not when compared to fire. When we think of corrosion happening

quickly we are typically talking about loss of material over months or years. For example, corrosion rates are commonly measured in terms of material loss in mils per year while fire growth rates are measured as a function of mass loss per second. While fire can be devasting from a life loss perspective and corrosion is not typically thought in that regard, both fire and corrosion are known to have significant cost impacts.

Most people in the sprinkler industry have learned about corrosion the hard way, not having any formal education in corrosion science but more likely than not by having to deal with it out of necessity. Others know a tremendous amount of information about corrosion but very little about sprinkler systems. When the two knowledge bases coincide, good things can happen. New and innovative solutions are developed to slow corrosion and extend the life of components, others are created to minimize the effects of leaks and so on. Applying science to solve problems is the essence of engineering and also a catalyst for many entrepreneurs.

Although the concept of corrosion is very simple, it is often very misunderstood. Especially in fire protection where the term MIC has often been thrown around interchangeably with corrosion. As the collective industry learns more about corrosion there has been clarification that most corrosion is not initiated or even exacerbated by bacteria as would be the case with MIC. It is reassuring to see the paradigm shift in the sprinkler industry from MIC to corrosion.

Corrosion can be very simple. We can all visualize rust formed on a car or some other metallic object. However, corrosion can also be very complicated and can be initiated in ways that we sometimes do not envision or anticipate. There are multiple forms or types of corrosion. We generally accept nine (9) forms of corrosion, which include the eight (8) defined by Fontana and Green in the book titled Corrosion Engineering. The list was expanded by observa-

tions of corrosion induced/initiated/influenced by bio-fouling, bacteria and fungi, e.g. MIC. These forms include:

- General or uniform corrosion
- Galvanic corrosion
- Crevice corrosion
- Pitting (pinholes)
- · Selective leaching
- Intergranular corrosion (weld decay)
- Microbiologically influenced corrosion
- Environmental cracking, including Fretting (fatigue)
- Erosion corrosion

These forms are identified in section D.2.6 of NFPA 25, The Standard for the Inspection, Testing and Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems, 2017 edition. Each form of corrosion is associated with different mechanisms, which are often inter-related and interchanged with these forms or types. Because corrosion is an oxidation reduction reaction, most forms of corrosion require oxygen. Like fire, it has been proposed that we think of corrosion in the context of a corrosion triangle including metal, oxygen and an electrolyte. Like fire suppression, corrosion mitigation techniques target breaking one or more of these legs of the triangle to stop corrosion.

Corrosion can be triggered or accelerated by any difference. When looking at sprinkler systems, there could be two different metals in contact (galvanic corrosion), a difference is in metal structure or composition (weld decay, holidays or hard spots), a difference in oxygen concentration (crevice corrosion), a difference in temperature, and so on. Corrosion mitigation and prevention is effectively accomplished in many ways by minimizing one or more of these differences and essentially removing the catalyst.

Corrosion rates can be affected by temperature and pressure. With a higher temperature comes an increase in energy and associated chemical reactions resulting in accelerated corrosion rates. Conversely, in refrigerated applications, and in areas with near freezing or sub-freezing temperatures, there will be a reduction

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in corrosion rate due to lower energy levels and reduced chemical reactions. Corrosion rates are also increased by higher pressure due to increased internal stresses within the components of the system.

Many components of sprinkler and fire protection systems are metallic. Use of chlorinated polyvinyl chloride (CPVC) or crosslinked poly ethylene (PEX) plastic pipe would be one concept where metal is removed from the triangle. But there is one thing to consider, although corrosion is commonly thought to be limited to metals, it is not, corrosion can affect any material. Metallic pipe, and primarily steel pipe, is of greatest concern with regard to corrosion in the fire sprinkler industry. Some changes in the ways steel pipe is being manufactured and used are starting to change traditional understanding of corrosion in steel pipe. For example, shipping by sea adds the influence of salty air and salt water to the picture. Differences in manufacturing processes and alloy compositions have also had an impact. Protection of steel through coating, galvanizing and treatment have been used to improve performance. However, under most conditions steel is still an excellent economically viable option that provides a reasonable life expectancy.

Removal of oxygen is another way to control corrosion. This is the essence of the nitrogen technology that has begun to make traction in the fire protection industry. Replacing oxygen with the abundant and noble gas nitrogen, which is generally benign to metallic components, is a way of eliminating or controlling corrosion to a negligible level. The use of nitrogen generation systems and wet pipe inerting systems can in many cases provide an economically viable solution that will enhance system life expectancy. The frontend capital investment cost of the equipment should be

weighed against life cycle cost impacts to recognize the true benefits. Other less costly solutions such as using industrial air dryers have been identified as possible alternatives. However, desiccant dryers have been reported as being ineffective, which could be related to the on-going maintenance need to dry or replace the desiccant material. Venting of wet pipe systems is another application of removing air or oxygen.

Removal of the electrolyte would be the third option. This is not practical in many cases, requiring the use of dry pipe or preaction systems. Taking away the water from within the pipes would eliminate or cease corrosion if done completely and properly. However, many current practices that allow water to be trapped in these systems continue to be a cause for corrosion problems in dry pipe and preaction sprinkler systems. Of course, changing to another agent is also an option, which is inherently done when using clean agent systems, CO2 systems and other forms of fire suppressants. These options only make sense when utilized under appropriate applications and should not necessarily be considered as a replacement for sprinklers, but rather a supplement, especially when code trade-offs are taken. Water is still the most effective and economical agent for fire protection and the inherent corrosion issues regarding the use of water can be dealt with through good practice.

Additional articles stemming from the ideas initiated in this article will be included in future editions of this magazine. NFSA also considering a sprinkler corrosion mitigation forum and will be looking at developing tools to help contractors in minimizing corrosion in sprinkler systems.•



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# Mixing the Message - Automatic Sprinkler System in the I Codes

by Jeffrey M. Hugo, CBO, NFSA's Manager of Codes



The International Code Council (ICC or I Codes) family of codes, such as the International Fire Code (IFC), International Building Code (IBC), International Existing Building Code (IEBC) and the International Residential Code (IRC) uses multiple terms and several words in every model code to describe, require or define an automatic sprinkler system installed and referenced to NFPA

13, NFPA 13R or NFPA 13D. Words such as suppression, fire protection system and automatic extinguishment can all partially describe a fire sprinkler system, but they can also describe other systems that are not fire sprinkler systems. When the three model codes (BOCA, UBC, and SBCCI) came together to form the I Codes, the IBC and IFC used terminology for automatic sprinkler systems that is inconsistent in every model code. Some of these inconsistencies remain in the latest editions and can cause some confusion to code users.

The I Codes use italics to identify a defined term and all defined terms are found in Chapter 2 of every model I Code. For example, when a code user sees automatic sprinkler system in italics anywhere in the IBC and IFC it refers to the definition in Chapter 2 of that code. The definition of an automatic sprinkler system resides in the IFC and is duplicated in the IBC. It is often used italicized and unitalicized throughout the I Codes, which can lead to a question of intent especially when Section 903.1 and 903.3 requires automatic sprinkler systems to follow the installation standards of NFPA 13, NFPA 13R and NFPA 13D. The defined term in the IFC and IBC for automatic sprinkler system is as follows:

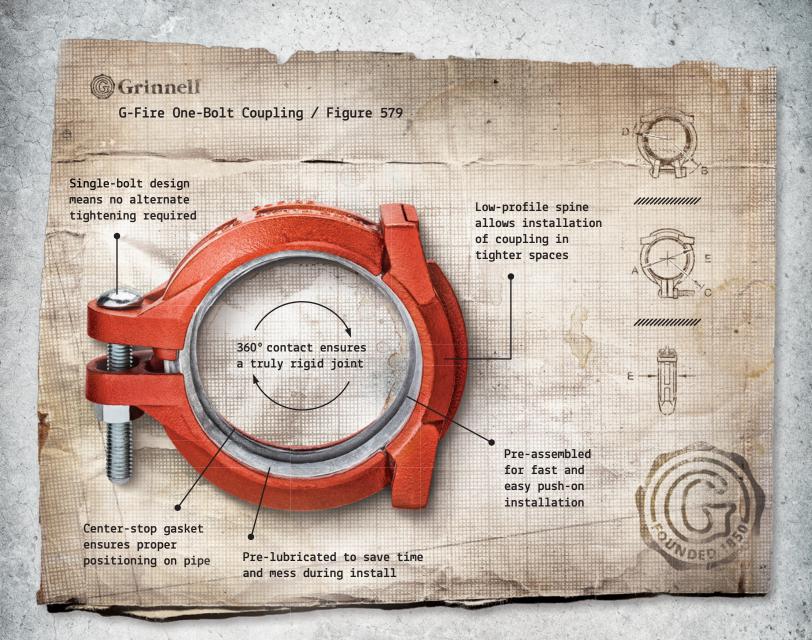
"An automatic sprinkler system, for fire protection purposes, is an integrated system of underground and overhead piping designed in accordance with fire protection engineering standards. The system includes a suitable water supply. The portion of the system above the ground is a network of specially sized or hydraulically designed piping installed in a structure or area, generally overhead, and to which automatic sprinklers are connected in a systematic pattern. The system is usually activated by heat from a fire and discharges water over the fire area."

The term "suppression" is used in several ways throughout the I Codes. Suppression is not a defined term, but it means to extinguish fire and is commonly used as a fire department response term. The I Codes, such as the IBC/IFC Section 904, have provisions and rules for suppression systems such as wet and dry chemical systems; however, the I Codes uses the term suppression in multiple ways that are related to fire extinguishment, fire department response and fire sprinkler systems. For example, in several areas of the I Codes, the term "suppression" is used where the intent is clearly for automatic sprinkler systems in Section 903. It can be confusing to a code user see a single term used in several ways and mistakes in enforcement occur.

Fire sprinkler systems can suppress and some storage applications, such as ESFR sprinklers, are designed to suppress, but most fire sprinkler systems are designed to control fire. The base or minimum code requirements are to control fire. Using the term, "suppression" is not appropriate to describe an automatic sprinkler system.

Sometimes the I Codes use the defined terms, fire protection system or fire-extinguishing system in various code text, section headers and tables but will refer back to Section 903 for automatic sprinkler system protection. While we can fit fire sprinklers into the definitions of fire protection system, or even fire-extinguishing system (for storage protection) the I Codes confuse the intent and purpose of the requirement with the terminology, especially when the I Codes have Section 904 for fire-extinguishing system, Section 906 for fire extinguishers and Section 903 for fire sprinkler systems. When a code user sees these terms, it is recommended to read the definitions and surrounding code text to thoroughly understand the intent of the code. Often times, the code path will lead the user back to automatic sprinkler systems to be the source of fire protection for that portion of the code.

Careful reading and communication with code officials is important especially in areas of the codes that are not clear. Many code officials and attorneys are literal readers and often there is a lack of knowledge or enough correlation to identify the correct systems. In the use and arrangement portion of the IBC, it gives code users great guidance, it states, "Codes are technical documents and every word, term and punctuation mark can impact the meaning of the code text and the intended results. The code often uses terms that have a unique meaning in the code and the code meaning can differ substantially from the ordinarily understood meaning of the term as used outside of the code." It is time to correlate the terminology in the I Codes to address specific fire protection systems, and remove vague, outdated or incorrect terms that lead the user to question the intent of the model code. •



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### **Valuable Connections: NFSA Chapters & NFSA Events**



by Vickie Pritchett, Director of Outreach & Government Relations

re you involved in an NFSA Chapter? Recently, I attended the Chicago Chapter meeting and was reminded of many of the benefits that happen when NFSA members gather. Sure, it's great to gather and learn the latest information affecting the fire sprinkler industry, and even better when you can share a good meal with friends and colleagues. But, NFSA Chapter meetings are more than that.

First and foremost, the energy in the room is awesome. Networking and sharing information that provides a roadmap for our future happens at Chapter Meetings. Understanding how your National Association is making a difference for your region is also something that happens there. For those of us from National Headquarters, we always learn by listening to you, our members! So, thank you when you open the doors to us and let us truly be a part of your grass-roots effort within your area.

In a sense, our Annual Seminar and Business & Leadership Conference is a National Chapter Meeting! This year proves that point well as we gather in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida for three days of action-packed learning with a good dose of networking & fun built in! We've worked hard to listen to your feedback from past events, with our goal being to exceed previous experiences with each delivery.

One of our favorites parts of Chapter or National events is honoring our industry legends. From the Golden Sprinkler Award, to the Russell P. Fleming Technical Service Award, we have many greats to celebrate. The NFSA Leadership in Public Safety Leadership Award also allows us to recognize those who go above & beyond for fire sprinklers. Our Hall of Fame is just that and more, a special recognition to those who have devoted their lives to saving lives.

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# An Overview of the NFSA Engineering and Standards Committee

by Roland Asp, CET NFSA Manager of Installation Standards

ne of the many strengths and member benefits of the NFSA is the Association's input and influence on the technical requirements of the NFPA standards and relevant building codes. For example, most of the NFPA Installation Standards are revised every three years with the intent of improving these documents and incorporating new fire protection concepts. NFSA has a significant impact in this arena. NFSA, however, does not propose changes in a bubble, instead, any proposal or changes to relevant codes and standards come from members in the form of the NFSA Engineering and Standards Committee (E&S). The E&S Committee has its roots in the 1945 Fact Finding Committee and has continued its role as the most effective technical voice of the fire sprinkler industry ever since.

### **Committee Purpose:**

The E&S Committee's purpose as outlined in its operating policy is as follows:

- To promote and support the overall mission of NFSA and the purpose and objectives of model codes and standards development.
- To promote the development of codes and standards that are scientifically and technically sound, that encourage creativity and innovation in the development of new methods and technologies, and that set reasonable standards intended to minimize the effects of fire and related hazards.
- To promote standards with non-restrictive means and methods of compliance to encourage competitive commercial availability of the resources, materials and products required to be employed. Recommended changes to the standards should avoid proprietary requirements.

### **Committee Membership:**

In order to achieve these lofty goals, the E&S Committee is composed of representatives from all aspects of our association. This Committee includes some of the best technical minds in the industry. Contractors, sprinkler manufacturers, suppliers, as well as special experts (members at large), are all included in the Committee make up. Representatives from other applicable organizations, such as UL and FM, also participate. This diverse membership ensures that the E&S Committee has a balanced and

far-reaching knowledge base to help ensure our industry continues with our enviable record of fire protection while keeping up with innovations in the field. The E&S Committee currently is made up of 27 voting members each with a principal representative and an alternate. Current membership is outlined in Table A — E&S Committee membership

(see TABLE A on next page)

This is a large committee with 53 members. Leading this Committee is Jack Thacker as Committee Chair and George Stanley as Vice Chair. NFSA staff is also represented by Mark Hopkins, Vice President of Engineering, Roland Asp as E&S SECRETARY and Bob Upson as Assistant Secretary. Additional staff are also involved, such as Jeff Hugo, Director of Public Fire Protection. The members of the Committee are its true strength and the 53 members work tirelessly to promote the fire sprinkler industry and to ensure that the high standard of "good fire protection" set by predecessors is maintained.

### **Scope of Responsibility:**

The E&S Committee has a huge mandate, and to best understand the responsibilities that this Committee is charged with I have included a list of the six primary responsibilities of this Committee as outlined in its operating policy:

- The E&S Committee shall initiate recommendations on any engineering or technical consideration for the Board of Directors action that would protect, promote or enhance the capability of the fire sprinkler and related systems to protect lives and property.
- The E&S Committee shall review and recommend changes in design, installation, maintenance, or performance requirements for fire sprinkler and related systems as promulgated by any recognized standards-making organization.
- The E&S Committee shall review and recommend changes in the design and/or performance requirements of fire sprinklers and fire protection systems and components impacting NFSA members as promulgated by any recognized standards making organization.

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- The E&S Committee shall coordinate and supervise technical liaison, through the staff, subcommittees, individuals, etc. with all standards-making, building code, insurance, consumer or government organizations whose activities or authority influences the well-being of the automatic fire sprinkler industry.
- The E&S Committee shall recommend from within itself or from within the NFSA as a whole, for the Board of Directors confirmation, appropriate individuals to serve on outside Committees whose activities relate to the scope of activities of the E&S Committee.
- The E&S Committee shall submit a report on its activities, through the NFSA staff, for each meeting of the Board of Directors.

### **E&S Committee Activity:**

In order to fulfill these responsibilities, the E&S Committee meets at least twice a year and conducts various conference calls to address specific needs as they arise throughout the year. With the rewrite of the 2019 edition of NFPA 13, E&S had three in person meetings in 2017. It is important to note that E&S meetings are open meetings and any NFSA member may attend as a guest, but they must notify the Chair and Secretary in advance.

To effectively carry out the scope of responsibilities, the E&S Committee has representatives on many NFPA technical committees. In fact, there are representatives of the E&S Committee on over 75 NFPA technical committees. This representation allows the E&S Committee a voice and meaningful impact in the NFPA process. This impact only happens because of the commitment of the E&S Committee representatives and their supporting companies.

These representatives on the various technical committees work for the members companies of NFSA and E&S is the conduit to these representatives to make meaningful changes and improvements to the standards that effect the fire protection industry. The E&S Committee reviews and recommends changes to these standards. Once E&S reviews and votes on a recommended action, a proposal to the specific document is drafted and submitted to the relevant standard by NFSA staff and members. The strength of NFSA in this process is the technical expertise and the unity that NFSA brings to the standard-making process. An E&S proposal is not a proposal by one person, but instead is a proposal of the entire E&S Committee and, by extension, the entire NFSA.

As an example, during the 2019 revision cycle, NFSA submitted more then 86 public comments on behalf of the E&S Committee to the 2nd draft of NFPA 13, which will result in the next edition of NFPA 13 (2019). The success rate of these actions was approximately 80%. For the first draft of NFPA 25, NFSA submitted 21 public inputs with a success rate of 86%. This is, by all measures, an admirable success rate and shows that that the E&S Committee and its representatives on the NFPA technical committees are an effective force for positive change.

The influence of the E&S Committee is not limited to the NFPA standards and codes. Through Jeff Hugo, NFSA's Director

of Codes and Public Fire Protection, and the Code Development Team, the E&S provides input to the ICC family of Codes. The Code Development team is the pathway set up decades ago to support the NFSA's mission of expanding fire sprinkler requirements in the building codes.

American Water Works, ISO, UL/FM/NFSA Committee, ITM Committee, NFPA research projects and a wide variety of issues impacting our industry are all within the scope of responsibility of the E&S Committee. Though the efforts of this committee and participation in these and other relevant committees, the E&S Committee is diligent in researching and influencing all issues that affect our industry.

### Conclusion

The NFSA Engineering and Standards Committee is a very active and influential body in the fire sprinkler industry and the fire protection industry. It's members and their employers dedicate a substantial amount of time and effort in ensuring that the fire sprinkler industry remains innovative, while maintaining the unparalleled life- and property-protection benefits of fire sprinklers. The E&S Committee is one of the many benefits of NFSA membership and its importance to NFSA and our industry is vital. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members of the Committee for their contribution and hard work.•

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF THE E&S COMMITTEE CAN BE VIEWED ON OUR WEBSITE.

- Fall 2002 issue of *SQ* magazine (Issue 120) includes "*The NFSA Engineering and Standards Committee Still Effective After All These Years*" by Russ Fleming
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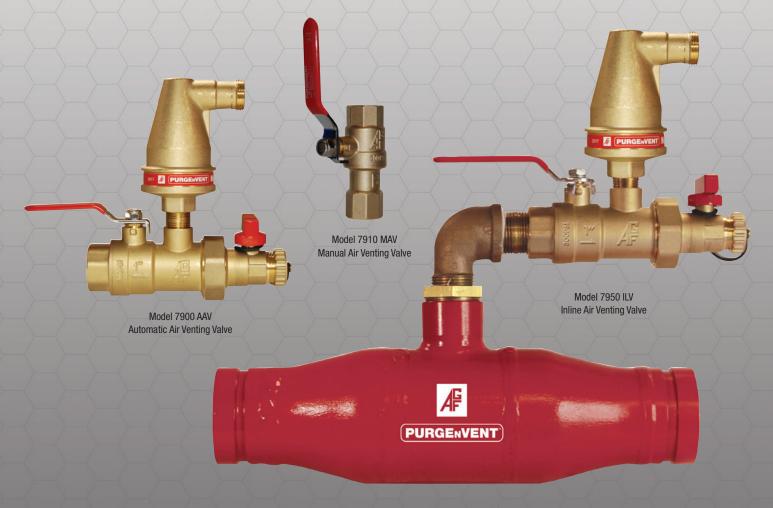
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Erik T. Jensen, President Theodore R. Jensen, Exec V.P. Terry F. Clark, V.P. - Sales

Michael D. Ketterer, V.P. - Engineering

Sales Contact:

Terry Clark, V.P. Sales

Email: tclark@aegistechnologiesinc.com

### Company Profile:

Founded in 2007 by the Jensen family, Aegis Technologies and its shareholders are not new to the fire sprinkler industry. Over the past 40 years and as former owners of Allied Piping Products and Merit Manufacturing, the Jensen's and their partners have historically developed and manufactured innovative, labor-saving products for the fire sprinkler industry. Learn more about the Adjuster and Dropster at www. aegistechnologiesinc.com.

### **American AVK Company**

2155 Meridian Boulevard Minden, Nevada 89423 Tel: 775.552.1400 FAX: 775.783.1031

Email: roe.dr@avkus.com

Website

www.americanavk.com

Founded:

1985

Primary Products/Services:

Valves and Hydrants

Market Area:

North and South America

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Management:

Al Jurkonis, President

Michael Chambon, Director, Business

Development

Sales Contact:

David Roe, Business Unit Mgr, Fire Protection

Tel: 775.552.1430

Email: roe.dr@avkus.com

### Company Profile:

American AVK is a leading US manufacturer of gate valves, fire hydrants and accessories for the water, wastewater, fire protection and irrigation industries.

AVK was one of the first valve manufacturers in the world to develop and design the Resilient Seated Gate Valve. AVK is at the forefront of technology for products serving the Water Works

and Fire Protection Industries. American AVK was incorporated in 1985 to introduce AVK gate valves to North America. AVK is in a state-of-the-art 180,000 sq. ft. manufacturing facility in Minden, Nevada. American AVK is a subsidiary of the AVK Group of Companies, a global manufacturer of valves, hydrants and accessories for the Water Works, Waste Water, Fire Protection and Natural Gas Industries.

**American Backflow Products Company** 

PO Box 37025 Tallahassee, Florida 32315 Tel: 800.575.9618

Website:

www.backflowparts.com

Founded: 1976

Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. M-F EST

Management: Mark Inman, COO

Email:

imark@backflowparts.com

### Company Profile:

American Backflow Products Company is your complete source for backflow preventer repair parts, accessories and enclosures. Founded in 1976, our company is the nation's leading backflow preventer specialist, trusted by thousands of technicians, plumbing contractors, fire line contractors, irrigation contractors, building managers and city officials across the country. Our dedication to providing the most comprehensive selection of backflow preventer repair parts is second to none and only matched by the knowledge of our highly trained staff. We carry nearly every imaginable part for all the major brands of backflow preventers. Whether you have Ames, ARI, Conbraco Apollo, CLA-VAL, Febco, Flomatic, Hersey, Watts,

Wilkins, Viking or Rain Bird equipment, we stock the repair parts you need. Our Assembly Repair Matrix makes it easy to find the correct repair parts, repair procedures or specification sheets for all current backflow prevention assemblies. Select your manufacturer and model and all the information you need to repair the assembly will be displayed. If you are ordering parts online, simply select the order form button, fill it out and email it to us and a member of our staff will contact you within 24 hours to complete your order.

We use fast, reliable and insured shipping couriers to get your backflow parts to you, on time – every time anywhere in the country or around

the world. We guarantee same day shipping and our website even provides UPS tracking so you'll know where your order is and when it will arrive.

### Amtrol, Inc.

1400 Division Road West Warwick, Rhode Island 02893 Tel: 401.884.6300 Fax: 401.884.5276

Management:

Wolfgang Neumann, Product Manager

### **Anvil International**

2 Holland Way Exeter, NH 03833 Tel: 603.418.2800 Website:

www.anvilintl.com

Founded:

1850

Primary Products/Services:

Pipe connections, Grooved couplings and fittings, valves, hangers, strut fittings, engineered hangers and fabrication machinery.

Market Area:

International

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Mon.-Fri.

Management:

Tom Fish, CEO

Dean Taylor, Vice President

Tony Ciccone, CFO

Sales Contact:

**Customer Service** 

Tel: 708.885.3000

Fax: 708.534.5441

### Company Profile:

The unmatched range of domestic and globally-sourced products for fire protection piping systems offered by Anvil provides versatile and dependable performance for a wide range of applications. Products are UL/ULC listed and FM Approved and are available in a full range of styles and functionality, including: Gruvok® Grooved Coulings, Fittings & Flanges, Gruvlok Valves, Gruvlok Roll Groovers, SPF™ Cast Iron & Ductile Iron Threaded Fittings, Anvil Cast Iron & Malleable Iron Threaded & Flanged Fittings, SPF Cast Iron & Ductile Iron Threaded Fittings, Anvil Steel Pipe Nipples & Steel Pipe Couplings, SPF Steel Pipe Nipples, Merit® Tee-lets, Drop Nipples & Steel Welding Flanges, SPF O-lets, Anvil Pipe

Hangers & Support & All Thread Rod, Anvil-Strut & Strut Fittings, Mueller® Valves and Indicator Posts. Anvil's NAP brand manufactures fabrication equipment to include automatic welders, plasma cut-off and hole cutting equipment, make-on machines and pipe threaders. Anvil combines the latest technology and most current fire protection ratings with the trusted history and manufacturing experience that have made Anvil the go-to source for fire protection and piping products, and that means better performance and better service for you and your business.

### **APEX Pumping Equipment, Inc.**

720 Heartland Drive, Unit P Sugar Grove, Illinois 60554-9864 Toll Free: 866.563.2739

Fax: 630.466.4499 Email: sales@262apex.com

Website:

www.262apex.com

Founded:

1996

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Pumps Equipment Sales, Service, Annual Testing, Valves, Tanks, Nitrogen Generators, Corrosion Inhibitor, Controllers, Pump House Packages, Backflow Prevention

Market Area:

IL, IN, MN, FL. NE, IA, ND, SD

Hours of Operation:

Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m & 24 hr. emergency service

Management:

Brad Clemmons, President Vince Rodriquez, Vice President Bruce Jacobson, Sales Manager Sales Contact: Bruce Jacobson Email: bjacobson@262apex.com

### Company Profile:

Founded by Brad Clemmons in 1996, APEX has grown & expanded its capabilities, as well as territory for the fire protection community, covering several states in the Midwest and now in Florida! Employing over 20 TEAM members that are selling & servicing nearly everything in the fire pump equipment room! We also supply tanks both above and in-ground, fiberglass, poly and steel. Corrosion issues? No problem. We can provide Nitrogen generation equipment. Need a valve in or out of the pump room? We stock it! No project is too big or too small when it comes to fire pump equipment. From UL listed residential fire pumps to fully enclosed fire pump equipment systems. Need a fire pump controller? Single phase 120 volt up to 4160 volt. Reduced voltage

with or without transfer switch. We can walk you through your needs and get you taken care of. If it breaks down, call us. We have 24-hour emergency service! 630.392.

### **Apollo Flow Control/Conbraco Industries**

PO Box 247

Matthews, North Carolina 28106 Tel: 704.841.6000

FAX: 704.841.6021

### Primary Products/Services:

Flow Controls-Ball Valves, Backflow Preventers

### Market Area:

Worldwide

### Hours of Operation:

7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. EST, Mon.-Fri.

### Management:

Michael Bedzyk, Sr Director Business Development, Commercial Products Brian Ragone, Senior Vice President, Sales & Marketing John Wells, Director, Sales Administration

Hans Ohren, Backflow Product Manager

### Sales Contact:

Michael Bedzyk, Sr Director Business Development, Commercial Products Tel: 614.619.4993

### Company Profile:

Apollo Valves/Conbraco Industries- Employing 1,200 people to manufacture and market MADE IN AMERICA valve products. Featuring UL/FM Backflow Preventers, UL Ball Valves, UL 300# pressure and relief controls. Introducing the new Stainless Steel 4A / 4An DC, DCDA, RPZ, and RPDA assemblies in 2 1/2"-8" sizes, featuring light weight SS, short lay lengths, vertical & horizontal approvals, low flat pressure loss performance with mix/match grooved butterfly, or OS&Y, or Post Indicator shutoffs for ease of installation in any fire protection application, and the new UL/ FM approved carbon and stainless steel Apollo Press for Fire Protection Systems.



### **ARGCO**

5816 Dryden Place, Suite 101 Carlsbad, CA 92008 Tel: 760.727.1644 Toll-Free: 800.854.1015

Fax: 760.727.3270

### Website:

### www.argco.com

### Founded:

1981

### Primary Products/Services:

Fire Sprinkler Specialties, Fire Equipment, Piping Tools, Thread Sealants, Hangers & Fasteners, Pipe Joining

Market Area:

International

### Hours of Operation:

6:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. PST, Mon.-Fri.

### Management:

Frank Bishop, Sales Manager Lawrence Kent, Sales Tom Keigwin, Sales Gustavo Cedillos, Sales Sales Contact:

Frank Bishop, Sales Manager

Tel: 800.854.1015 Fax: 800.924.5922

### Company Profile:

With over 35 years in the industry, ARGCO's outside-the-box philosophy sets this company apart from the rest.

Innovative products available nowhere else, great value on every day sprinkler items with equal quality at half the price of big brand names. The product line includes pipe working tools and replacement parts, pipe hangers & fasteners, valves, thread sealants, grooved pipe fittings and a ton of fire sprinkler specialties.

### Asurio, Inc.

390 Interlocken Crescent Ste 350 Broomfield, Colorado 80021-8051 Tel: 877.444.1488

### Website:

www.asurio.com

### AutoSPRINK (Div. of M.E.P. CAD, Inc.)

181 N Arroyo Grande Blvd Suite 105 Henderson, Nevada 89074 Tel: 877.418.8526 Fax: 702.566.0598

### Website:

www.autosprink.com

### Founded:

1997

Primary Products/Services: 3D Sprinkler Design Software

### Market Area:

National and International

Hours of Operation:

6:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. PST, Mon.-Fri.

Management:

Kevin Maddux, President

Adam Bonaldi, V.P., Business Development

Sales Contact:

Amanda Vinson, Executive Assistant

Tel: 877.418.8526 x114 Fax: 702.566.0598

Email: a.vinson@mepcad.com

### Company Profile:

AutroSPRINK is the most user-friendly, true 3D and BIM compliant fire sprinkler design program available today. It does not require Revit or AutoCAD training. Its simple windows-based format is so intuitive, new users can design, do hydraulic calculations and stock list a complete project after only one week of training.



### **Backflow Direct**

2484 Mercantile Drive Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 Tel: 916.760.4524

Email: sales@backflowdirect.com

### www.backflowdirect.com

### Founded:

2012

Primary Products/Services:

Stainless Steel Backflow Preventers

Market Area:

U.S.A.

Hours of Operation:

7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Mon-Fri

### Management:

Doug Powell, CEO Kent Powell, CFO

### Sales Contact:

Brad Scott, Dir. of Sales & Mktg

Tel: 916.760.4524

Email: brad@backflowdirect.com

### Company Profile:

Backflow Direct was established in 2012 to design and manufacture a revolutionary backflow prevention product line it would later call the Deringer. The Deringer product line is now the smallest, lightest, most economical, bestperforming and only all-stainless steel backflow prevention valve...and yes, it is built in the USA. Backflow Direct was founded by the Powell family, previous owners of Ames Company and Hunter Innovations, creators of the Silver Bullet. Colt and Maxim backflow prevention product line. This ownership, for more than 35 years, has been responsible for the introduction of every major design and marketing advancement in the backflow industry. Such advancements include single-body housing, fabricated valve housing. stainless steel construction, large diameter single-access port, differentially loaded check, independent check module, butterfly shut off valve, always resulting in shorter, lighter and better performing products. Backflow Direct is introducing the Deringer line with a radical and game-changing marketing strategy; selling our products directly to contractors, installers and testers...our customers.



### BlazeMaster® Fire Protection Systems – Lubrizol

9911 Brecksville Road Cleveland, Ohio 44141 Tel: 855.735.1431

Website:

### www.BlazeMaster.com

### Founded:

1984/Lubrizol founded 1928

### Primary Products/Services:

BlazeMaster® Fire Protection Systems Management:

Mark Knurek, Sales and Market Segment

Manager, Americas

Connect with us at www.blazemasterblog.lubrizol.com

www.Blazemaster.com

### Company Profile:

BlazeMaster® Fire Protection Systems are approved for light hazard residential and commercial applications, as defined by NFPA 13, 13R and 13D. BlazeMaster® Pipe and Fittings are lightweight making installations easier and faster as pipe can be cut on-site, saving money on labor and material costs. Their resistance to corrosion means less maintenance, better hydraulic performance and a lower lifecycle cost.

### **Buckeye Fire Equipment**

1170 Corporate Dr W Ste 201 Arlington, Texas 76006-6813 Tel: 817.633.3626



### **BuildingReports**

1325 Satellite Blvd. Ste 1607 Suwanee, Georgia 30024 Tel: 770.495.1993<tel:770.495.1993> Fax: 770.495.9331<tel:770.495.9331> Website:

www.buildingreports.com

### Founded:

1999

### Primary Products/Services:

Inspection and compliance reporting software

### Market Area:

Worldwide

### Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. ET Mon-Fri.

### Management:

Jason Kronz, President & CTO Dwight Wills, V.P., Sales & Marketing

### Sales Contact:

Dwight Wills, V.P., Sales & Marketing

Tel: 770.495.1993 Fax: 770.495.9331

Email: sales@buildingreports.com

### Company Profile:

Building safety compliance is critical to service companies, building owners and fire and safety officials who are charged with safeguarding occupants. BuildingReports' leading mobile and online inspection reporting solutions enable inspectors to quickly gather data on fire and life safety devices to ensure they are working properly and meet code requirements or identify actions needed to meet compliance through easily verifiable inspection reports. With over four million inspection reports to date, more than 10 billion square feet of floor space in over 630,000 buildings, and over 280 million devices represented, BuildingReports has earned its reputation as the most trusted name in compliance reporting.



### **Bull Moose Tube**

1819 Clarkson Road Chesterfield, Missouri 63017 Tel: 636.537.2600

Email: julie.childress@bullmooseindustries.com

### Founded:

1962

Primary Products/Services:

Sprinkler Pipe

### Market Area:

North America

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. M-F

### Management:

Jim Charmley, CEO Ted Shultz. CFO

### Sales Contact:

Dave Weinrich, General Sales Manager

Tel: 636.537.2600

Email: dave.weinrich@bullmooseindustries.com

### Company Profile:

Bull Moose was founded in 1962, building right from the start on such core values as reliable quality, stable production and exemplary service. The following decades saw Bull Moose Tube grow from a single plant in Missouri to eight production operations from coast to coast. Those far-reaching facilities enable us to be particularly well positioned for responsive service that sets the standard for the industry.

### Bull Moose Advantages:

- UL listed (US & Canada) and FM Appro.
- ASTM A135 and A795 Type E. Grade A Certified.
- Complies with NFPA 13, 13R and 14.
- Industry-leading hydraulic characteristics.
- CRR of 1.0 and greater.
- All pipe NDT weld tested
- We have the most stocking locations in the industry, for best delivery and availability.
- Plain end or roll groove.
- EddyGuard II® bacterial resistant internal coating.
- Custom Length Options.
- Hot dipped galvanization
- Reddi-Pipe® red pipe to eliminate field painting.
- Compatible for use in wet, dry, pre-action and deluge sprinkler systems.

For more information, go to: www.bullmoosetube.com

### **C-Aire Compressors**

2620 Fox St Wayzata Minnesota 55391-9339 Tel: 651.462.3440 Website: www.c-aireinc.com



### **CPS Products**

4658 S. Custer Rd, Building A Monroe, Michigan 48161 Tel: 734.682.5260 Fax: 734.682.5184

Email: sales@cpsproductsinc.com

Website:

### www.cpsproductsinc.com

### Company Profile

CPS Products Inc. is a Monroe, Michigan-based company specialized in manufacturing and supplying the following products:

- 1. UL/FM Approved and Listed ductile iron grooved coupling and fitting
- 2. UL/FM approved and listed ductile iron threaded fitting
- 3. UL/FM approved and listed cast iron threaded fitting
- 4. UL/FM approved and listed valve (gate valve, check valve and butterfly valve)
- 5. PVC and CPVC pipe and pipe fitting

We have a 20,000 SF warehouse located in Monroe, MI. Good quality products, competitive pricing and good delivery service are what we committed to each of our clients.

We are looking forward to having a chance to work with you and your esteemed company to contribute our efforts to your greater success.



### Chicago Backflow, Inc

12607 S. Laramie Avenue Alsip, Illinois 60803 Tel: 708.389.5600 Fax: 708.389.5632

Email: dsmith@backflow.com

Website:

www.backflow.com

### Founded:

1993

### Primary Products/Services:

Backflow Prevention Service, Testing, Installation and Inspection

### Market Area:

Northern Illinois and Northwest Indiana

### Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

### Management:

Donald J. Smith, President Michael D. Eisenhauer, Vice President Sales Contact: Barb Jonas, Office Manager Email: contact@backflow.com

### Company Profile:

Chicago Backflow, Inc. is the Premier Backflow Testing Company. We have been serving Northern Illinois and Northwest Indiana since 1993. We are dedicated to protecting your drinking water. Offering full-warranty backflow testing & service. Any and all repair parts, labor and return trips are covered. Never worry about costly repairs to your backflow preventer. We carry over \$400,000 in inventory parts and are available 24/7.



### CB Marketing, Inc. (A CBI Company)

12559 South Laramie Avenue Alsip, Illinois 60803 Tel: 708.202.0033 Fax: 708.385.5415

### Website:

www.cbmarketing.com

### Primary Products/Services:

Mfg of 13D pumps and Mfg Representatives of specialty products for fire protection

### Market Area:

Nationally for 13D Pump Systems

### Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 24/7 emergency service

### Management:

Donald J. Smith, President, Michael Eisenhauer, Vice President Megan Demereckis, Product Manager. Nick Smith, Sales Representative

### Sales Contact:

Sales/Quote Contact: Megan Demereckis or Nick Smith

### New Product Opportunities:

Donald J. Smith

Tel: 708.202.0033 Fax: 708.385.5415

### Company Profile:

CBM designs and manufactures Legend 13D pumps and serves as a manufacturers' rep and service organization for Patterson Fire Pumps, Fire Pump Controls (Master and Others), Steel Water Storage Tanks, pressure vessels and polypropylene 13D tanks, The CBM group also handles fire pump control replacements and repairs. CBM specializes in new product launches and market recaptures for the principals we represent.

### **CLARKE®**

### Clarke Fire Protection Products, Inc.

100 Progress Place Cincinnati, Ohio 45246 Tel: 513.475.FIRE

Email: mmathes@clarkefire.com

### Website:

www.clarkefire.com

### Founded:

1964

Primary Products/Services:
Diesel Engine Fire Pump Drivers

### Market Area:

Global

Hours of Operation:

24/7

### Management:

Dane Petrie - President and CEO Justin Strousse - Director of Global Sales Ken Wauligman - Engineering Manager Brandon Cushman - Production Manager

### Sales Contact:

Mike Mathes, United States and Canada Dealer Marketing Manager

Email: mmathes@clarkefire.com

### Company Profile:

Clarke Fire Protection Products is a global supplier of UL/FM diesel fire pump drivers, meeting NFPA20 and country-code requirements. Products include the pressure-limiting driver (PLD) and Tier 3 EPA-certified engines. Manufacturing locations are Cincinnati, Ohio and Coatbridge, Scotland.

### Complete Pump Service Co., Inc.

461 South Irmen Drive Addison, Illinois 60101

Tel: 630.628.1600 Fax: 630.628.1709

Website:

### www.completepump.com

Founded:

1964

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Pump Testing/Service on all Water

**Application Pumps** 

Hours of Operation:

7:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. w/ 24 hr. emergency service

Management:

Richard D. Ficarra, Jr., President

Laura Ficarra Allen, Treasurer

Sales Contact:

Rich Ficarra, President

Tel: 630.628.1600 ext. 107

Fax: 630.628.1709

### Company Profile:

Complete Pump Service Company offers a 24-hour emergency service and experienced repair of all makes of water application pumps. Complete Pump performs annual fire pump testing. They are authorized representatives for Talco Residential Fire Pumps and also sell fire pump accessories. Complete Pump Service Company's success is based on good, honest service.



### **Core & Main Fire Protection**

1830 Craig Park Court St. Louis, Missouri 63146 Tel: 800.492.6909

Website:

### www.coreandmainfire.com

Primary Products/Services:

Full line Supplier and Fabricator

Market Area:

National

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Mon.-Fri.

Management:

Tony Cammiso, Regional V.P. Hank Evans, Regional Dir. of Ops Derek Allen, West Area Director

Dave Stevens, East Area Director

Sales Contact:

Hank Evans, Regional Director of Operations Email: hank.evans@hdsupply.com

### Company Profile:

Core & Main Fire Protection offers the full array of fire protection products and services. With an ever-growing footprint, our strategically located supply and fabrication facilities maintain vast inventories and enable us to provide superior customer service along with today's technology. Our fabrication facilities are backed by strict quality control procedures, and offer custom fabrication to meet the needs of your next project.

### CORE & MAIN FIRE PROTECTION BRANCH LOCATIONS:

### Phoenix, Arizona

1650 E Riverview Dr. #110 Phoenix, Arizona 85034 Tel: 602.256.0050 Fax: 602.256.7117

**Hayward, California** 2407 Industrial Parkway West Hayward, California 94545 Tel: 510 441 1650

Tel: 510.441.1650 Fax: 510.441.1620

### San Francisco, California

155 De Haro St. San Francisco, California 94103 Tel: 415.431.8722 Fax: 415.431.8567

### Sacramento, California

1120 Blumenfeld Drive Sacramento, California 95815 Tel: 916.565.0466 Fax: 916.565.1852

### Fresno. California

4710 E. Commerce Ave. Fresno, California 93725 Tel: 559.441.7171 Fax: 559.441.7175

### La Habra, California

751 E. Lambert Rd. La Habra, California 90631 Tel: 562.690.8800 FAX: 562.690.1419

### Lodi, California

1625 S. Stockton St. Lodi, California 95240 Tel: 209.334.9768 Fax: 209.334.9773

### Fontana, California

15535 Arrow Route Fontana, California 92335 Tel: 909.320.5306 Fax: 909.356.8599

### Denver, Colorado

735 Leyden St. Denver, CO 80216 Tel: 303.305.4507 Fax: 720.941.4347

### Tampa, Florida

1430 Massaro Blvd. Tampa, Florida 33619 Tel: 813.620.9058 Fax: 813.626.6912

### Orlando, Florida

3655 Old Winter Garden Rd. Orlando, Florida 32805 Tel: 407.299.2275 Fax: 407.298.5038

### Palm Beach, Florida

1751 Avenue L Riviera Beach, Florida 33404 Tel: 561.863.5600 Fax: 561.845.6120

### Miami, Florida

10810 NW 92nd Terrace Ste. 108 Miami, Florida 33178 Tel: 305.477.2383 Fax: 305.805.4923

### Jacksonville, Florida

11310 Distribution Ave. West Jacksonville, Florida 32256 Tel: 904.260.4705 Fax: 904.260.4644

### Atlanta, Georgia

2157 Tucker Industrial Road Tucker, Georgia 30084 Tel: 770.414.1212 Fax: 770.414.1883

### Chicago, Illinois

5144 West 73rd St. Bedford Park, Illinois 60638 Tel: 708.728.9793 FAX: 708.728.9826 Indianapolis, Indiana

8615 East 33rd St. Indianapolis, Indiana 46226 Tel: 317.898.4879 Fax: 317.898.4868

### Columbia, Maryland

9325 Snowden River Pkwy #C Columbia, Maryland 21046 Tel: 410.290.8020 FAX: 410.290.8019

### Charlotte, North Carolina

75 Odell School Rd. S Concord, North Carolina 28027 Tel: 704.784.4700

Fax: 704.789.9288

### Las Vegas, Nevada

4035 W. Oquendo Rd. Las Vegas, Nevada 89118 Tel: 702.382.0331

Fax: 702.382.0671

### **Brockton**. Massachusetts

1123 Pearl St. Brockton, MA 02301 Tel: 508.894.0130 Fax: 508.894.0139

### Cincinnati, Ohio

4325 Mulhauser Rd., Ste. 6 Fairfield, OH 45014 Tel: 513.642.7005 Fax: 513.860.1245

### Portland, Oregon

12670 SW Leveton Dr. Tualatin, OR 97062 Tel: 503.404.2650 Fax: 503.691.6001

### Memphis, Tennessee

3634 Cherry Rd. Memphis, TN 38118 Tel: 901.745.3106 Fax: 901.370.6920

### Dallas, Texas

1975 California Crossing Rd. Dallas, TX 75220 Tel: 972.830.9370 Fax: 972.830.9385

### **Houston, Texas**

5823 Thomas Rd. Houston, TX 77041 Tel: 713.937.4568 Fax: 713.937.0493

### Nashville, TN

413 Woodycrest Ave Nashville, TN Tel: 615.932.5656

### Oklahoma City, OK

8401 SW 15th Ave OKC, OK 73128 Tel: 405.506.6206 Fax: 405.495.2016

### San Antonio, Texas

12050 Crownpoint Dr., Ste. 100 San Antonio, TX 78233 Tel: 210.247-4940 Fax: 210.637.6682

### Salt Lake City, Utah

275 West 2855 South

Salt Lake City, UT 84115 Tel: 385.419.3950

### Seattle, Washington

10013 MLK Jr. Way So. Seattle, WA 98178 Tel: 206.722.9475 Fax: 206.722.9477

### Seattle

18872 72nd Ave S Kent, WA 98732 Tel: 253.518.2560 Fax: 425.241.0362

### Springfield, VA

8080 Alban Rd, Unit D Springfield, VA 22150 Tel: 703.270.4595 Fax: 855.438.7011

### **Craftmark Pipe Markers**

3212 S. Cravens Road Fort Worth, Texas 76119 Tel: 817.457.8753

Website:

www.craftmarkid.com



### **Croker Division**

Fire-End and Croker Corporation 7 Westchester Plaza Elmsford, New York 10523 Tel: 914.592.3640 Toll Free: 800.729.3473 Fax: 914.592.3892

Website:

www.croker.com

Email: info@croker.com

### Founded:

1911

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Protection Equipment

Market Area:

Domestic/International

Hours of Operation:

M-F 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

### Management:

Paul Sposato, President Douglas Loew, VP Export Sales Peter Levine, VP Marketing

Sales Contact:

Peter E. Levine

### Company Profile:

For over a century, Croker has manufactured and supplied the highest quality Fire Hose Standpipe Equipment available in the industry. Croker continues to be an industry leader in quality products as well as dependable service. Our Croker catalog provides building owners, architects, engineers, distributors and contractors with a clear comprehensive specification and purchasing reference guide second to none. Our main warehouse is in Elmsford, New York. We maintain inventory in Dallas, Texas; Detroit, Michigan; Miami, Florida; Atlanta, Georgia; Cleveland and Cincinnati, Ohio; and Wilmington, Delaware.

The Croker product line includes Hose Valves, Pressure Regulating Valves (Pilot, Field Adjustable and Factory Set), Fire Department Connections (Flush, Exposed, Freestanding and Storz), Fire Pump Test Connections, Roof Manifolds, Rack & Reel Assemblies, Cabinets, Extinguishers, Nozzles, Adapters, Inspection & Testing Equipment and much more. New Products include a complete Grooved Coupling Line, High Pressure FDCs & UL Listed Storz Connections. Because our equipment is critical for the protection of lives and property, we are continually striving to maintain and improve product quality year after year. This has been our mission since 1911. Choose Croker for the finest quality products, competitive pricing and exceptional service.

### **REGIONAL WAREHOUSES:**

### **Croker Texas**

1110 South Airport Circle-Suite 110 Euless, Texas 76040 Tel: 817.354.9900 Toll Free: 877.354.9905 Fax: 817.545.0055 Max Lombard, Regional Sales Manager Jake Lombard, Warehouse Manager

### **Croker Ohio**

4690P Interstate Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45246 Tel: 513.870.0517 Fax: 513.870.0363 Bob Orth, Regional Sales Manager Matt Riesenbeck, Warehouse Manager

### **Croker Florida**

1415 S 30th Ave Hollywood, Florida 33020 Tel: 954.336.5695 Leon Benlolo, Regional Sales Manager Joseph Benlolo, Regional Sales Manager



#### **CST Industries. Inc**

903 E 104th Street Suite 900 Kansas City, Missouri 64131 Tel: 913.621.3700 Fax: 913.621.2145

Website:

#### www.cstindustries.com

Founded:

1893

Primary Products/Services: Fire Protection Storage Tanks

Market Area:

Global

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

Management:

Darin Cesan, Director, Liquid Direct Sales

Sales Contact:

Weston Opat, Central Regional Sales Manager

Tel: 913.535.4168

Email: wopat@cstindustries.com

#### Company Profile:

CST Industries, Inc. (formerly Columbian TecTank®/Columbian Steel Tank Company®) offers Fire Water Tanks for Commercial. Municipal, and Industrial Applications. With over 350,000 tanks in 125 countries, no other company can match CST's liquid storage tank design. manufacturing, and construction expertise. CST's factory-applied proprietary coating technologies are the best in the business and have been field proven for more than 50 years.

CST leading brands, Aquastore®, HvdroTec® and Columbian TecTank®, meet or exceed NFPA 22, FM, LPS, AWWA, USACOE and other industry standards and are manufactured in ISO 9001:2008 certified facilities. Tanks are available for construction by customer, dealer or CST with or without accessories.

#### Decoshield Systems, Inc.

1500 NW 3rd Street, Suite 105 Deerfield Beach, FL 33442 Tel: 800.873.0894 Fax: 800.585.3894 Email: info@decoshield.com

Website:

#### www.decoshield.com

Primary Products/Services:

Decorative cover for fire sprinkler systems

Management:

Linda Camm. President

Sales Contact: Linda Camm, President

Email: linda@decoshield.com

#### W.S. Darley & Company

325 Spring Lake Drive Itasca, Illinois 60143 Tel: 630.735.3538

Website:

#### www.darley.com

Founded:

1908

Primary Products/Services:

Fire and Emergency Services

Market Area:

International

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Management:

Paul Darley, CEO

Jeremy Taylor, Chief Engineer

Kevin Sofen, Business Development

Sales Contact: Kevin Sofen

Email: kevinsofen@darley.com

#### Company Profile:

The Darley StarterPaq™ provides a one stop solution for your NFPA 13D fire sprinkler pump needs. The StarterPag™ makes your life easier by coming fully assembled, meets all your demands and delivers within 24 hours. Darley is a family owned company involved with the fire industry since 1908. We understand the fire industry and strive to provide the highest level of customer satisfaction. We are dedicated to excellence and offer a diverse line of quality products and services through progressive design, manufacturing and distribution. Darley can design a custom NFPA 13D or 13R around your needs. Darley also specializes in the Hydrant Booster, a decentralized pump station for rural fire departments.

#### **DEWALT**

2 Powers Lane Brewster, New York 10509 Tel: 845.230.7581

Email: bob.rosenberg@sbdinc.com

Website:

#### www.powers.com

Primary Products/Services:

Anchors and Fasteners/Power Tools

Market Area:

Global

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. EST, Mon.-Fri.

Management:

DEWALT Industrial Tool Co.

Sales Contact:

Kirk Reimer, V.P. Sales & Marketing A&F

Email: kirk.reimer@sbdinc.com

#### Company Profile:

DEWALT is a leading manufacturer of industrial corded and cordless power tools, power tool accessories, and hand tools in categories that include Woodworking, Drilling & Fastening, Concrete & Metal Power Tools, as well as Cutting. Abrasive, and IMPACT READY® Impact Driver Power Tool Accessories. Hand Tool categories include Measuring & Layout, Knives & Blades, Mechanics Tools, and Storage Solutions.

With seven manufacturing locations in the USA. DEWALT remains committed to domestic manufacturing and produced over 90 million individual units of Power Tools, Hand Tools, and Accessories in the United States with global materials in 2016 alone. Visit the website to learn more about DEWALT products Made in the USA with global materials.

DEWALT tools can be found nationally and internationally, wherever tools are sold. With more than 1,000 factory-owned and authorized locations, DEWALT has one of the most extensive service and repair networks in North America. For more information, visit www.dewalt.com or follow DEWALT on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

#### **Eaton's B-Line Business**

509 W. Monroe St. Highland, Illinois 62249 Tel: 800.851.7415

#### EDCOS. Inc.

330 Industrial Park Mercedes, Texas 78570-4300 Tel: 956.565.5660

Fax: 214.975.1158

Email: pedro.valdez@edcos.com

Website:

www.edcos.com

Founded:

2004

Primary Products/Services:

Grooved Fittings, Pipe Valves, Fittings, Hangers, Foam, Bladder Tanks, other.

Market Area:

New Mexico, Texas, Louisiana, Mexico, Central and South America, Caribbean

Hours of Operation:

8 a.m.-6 p.m. M-F

Management:

Pedro Valdez

Elvia Valdez

Raul Briones

Yvonne Gomes

Sales Contact:

Ania Garcia, International/Domestic Sales

Email: sales@edcos.com

#### Company Profile:

We distribute and supply UL & FM, CE. VdA, other, listed approved fire protection equipment; Pipe, Valves, fittings, Grooved, Welded, Flanged, Mechanical Joint Fittings, Hangers, Butterfly Valves, Wafer Valves, Fire Hydrants, Post Indicators, Nozzles, Fire Hose, Angle Valves. From underground materials to all above ground. We also provide foam concentrate, bladder tanks, ILBP foam pump skids, grooving tools. FM200.C02.Novec1230. We also cover mechanical contractors.

Give us an opportunity. Se Habla Español.

#### **Engineered Corrosion Solutions**

11336 Lackland Road St. Louis, Missouri 63146 Tel: 314.432.1377

email: sales@ecscorrosion.com

#### http://ecscorrosion.com

Founded:

2003

Primary Products/Services:

Corrosion management, nitrogen generators, air vents, corrosion monitoring

Market Area:

Worldwide

Management:

Jeff Kochelek, CEO

Sales Contact:

Lucas Kirn, Mkt. Dev. Mgr. Email: Ikirn@ecscorrosion.com

#### Company Profile:

ECS assists clients in understanding and managing risk associated with a corrosive attack of fire sprinkler system piping. The risks associated with corrosion in fire sprinkler systems include life safety risk, structure risk, property risk and business continuity risk. Corrosion in fire sprinkler systems leads to plugging problems, reduced sprinkler performance, water leak damage and reduced service life of the systems. Our goal is to define and understand the root causes of corrosion in sprinkler systems and to develop devices, systems and management approaches that can reduce risk and provide cost-effective long-term performance from fire sprinkler systems.



#### **Ferguson Fire & Fabrication**

Corporate Headquarters 800 South 4th Avenue Mansfield, Texas 76063 Tel: 817.276.7060 Fax: 817.473.3059

Website:

#### www.fergusonfire.com

Founded:

1989

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Sprinkler Material, Special Hazards, Engineered Products and Fabrication.

Market Area:

Continental United States plus Alaska

Hours of Operation:

7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

Management

George DiMatteo

V.P. - Fire Protection

#### **Company Profile**

Ferguson Fire & Fabrication supplies the highest quality fire protection equipment to our customers nationwide. With more than 73 locations and over 900 associates, we have the reach to supply the most demanding fire protection jobs in the country. Over 32 of our locations have fabrication capabilities and eight of those locations are ISO 9001:2008 Certified, making us the largest ISO Certified fabricator in the country. We offer our customers world-class customer service and unmatched industry expertise. Our associates enthusiastically use their experience to make sure each warehouse location operates in the best interest of the customer and the needs of that local market. From core fire protection products and fabrication to engineered fire protection products, we offer customer access to one of the

most comprehensive inventories in the industry. Ferguson Fire & Fabrication is a complete source for all fire protection needs.



#### **Fire Protection Products, Inc.**

5937 Darwin Court, Suite 105 Carlsbad, CA 92008 Tel: 760.599.1168 Toll-Free: 800.344.1822 Fax: 800.344.3775

Website:

#### www.fppi.com

Founded:

1989

Primary Products/Services: Fire Sprinkler Products

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

6:00am - 4:00pm PST: Monday - Friday

Management:

Jason Hild, CEO

Sales Contact:

Bill Vollmar, National Sales Manager Fire

Protection

Tel: 800.766.0076

#### Company Profile:

Fire Protection Products Inc. (FPPI®) is part of the Smith-Cooper International family of brands. As a single source for fire sprinkler products with a diverse product range, FPPI covers four primary product categories: Accessories, Brass Trim, Standpipe Equipment, and Sealants & Lubricants. FPPI prides itself on its focus on customer service and delivering the highest quality products with operational excellence. Our products are manufactured from best in class materials, and are engineered to be durable, reliable, and easy to install.

#### Fire Tech Productions, Inc.

7986 B Clyo Road Centerville, Ohio 45459 Tel: 937.434.3473

Website:

www.firetech.com

Contact:

Donna Pierron

Providing Training to the Fire Protection Industry

since 1987!

Fire Tech Productions specializes in Fire Alarm, Fire Sprinkler and Special Hazards training. From NICET exam prep to hands-on workshops, you will gain insight and understanding of the NFPA codes and how those requirements are put into practice in the field. Pass your exam and become a better technician! Workshops are led by experienced industry professionals.



FormLink's easy to use inspection software saves you time and money. With form packages for NFPA-25, NFPA-72, fire extinguishers, and more, you can deliver professional reports today. Our NFPA and NFSA form licensing means you can continue to use the forms you know and trust. We can even create custom forms for your company. Get better software and exceptional customer service, all with less hassle. Partner with FormLink Systems today.

#### GECCO, Inc.

23 Baker Drive

Factoryville, Pennsylvania 18419

Tel: 570.945.3568 Fax: 570.945.9542 Email: geccoinc@epix.net

Website:

www.dropmaster.co

#### Founded:

2002

#### Primary Products/Services:

Dropmaster DM12 and the GDM-300 Power Drive

Cart

#### Market Area:

Worldwide

#### Hours of Operation:

7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. EST

#### Management:

Oma Clum, Owner Gerald Clum, President

#### Sales Contact:

David Brown, Director of Sales and Marketing

Email: dave@dropmaster.co

## FLEXHEAD

#### FlexHead Industries, Inc.

56 Lowland Street

Holliston, Massachusetts 01746

Tel: 508.893.9596 Toll-Free: 800.829.6975 Fax: 508.893.6020

Website:

www.flexhead.com

#### Founded:

1991

Primary Products/Services:

Flexible Sprinkler Connections

Hours of Operation:

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

#### Management:

Stephen Mitchell, VP, General Manager Mike Dooley, Vice President of Sales

#### Company Profile:

FlexHead Industries manufactures a complete line of one piece flexible sprinkler connections for suspended ceilings in commercial buildings, clean room environments, institutional applications and industrial exhaust ductwork. These systems are FM approved, UL2443 listed and have been used in industry for over 35 years. These products dramatically reduce installation time and maintenance costs and promote overall facility safety by allowing rapid inspection, maintenance and relocation of sprinklers.

#### **Fox Sprinkler Supply Corporation** 951 Estes Court

Schaumburg, Illinois 60193

Tel: 847.524.8250 Fax: 847.524.8262

Website:

www.foxsprinkler.com

#### Founded:

2000

Primary Products/Services:

Distribution/Fabrication

#### Market Area:

Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North & South Dakota

#### Hours of Operation:

Mon 5:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Tue-Wed 4:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Th-Fri 5:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Sat 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

#### Management:

Scott Sandfox, President

Daniel Sandfox, Secretary of Corporation Dan Rossol, Operations Mgr.

Sales Contact: Danielle Sandfox, Sales Mgr.

#### Company Profile:

Fox Sprinkler Supply Corp. is a fire sprinkler supply company with people dedicated to bringing the utmost in service to our customers. Employees with exceptional knowledge and over 20 years in experience in the fire sprinkler industry.

#### **General Air Products, Inc.**

118 Summit Drive Exton, Pennsylvania 19341

Tel: 610.524.8950 Toll Free: 800.345.8207 Fax: 610.524.8965

Website:

www.generalairproducts.com

#### Founded:

1936

#### Primary Products/Services:

Air compressors / Nitrogen generators / 13D Pump and Tank Systems / Air Maintenance Devices

#### Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. EST Mon.-Fri.

#### Management:

Raymond M. Fremont, President Raymond M. Fremont Jr., Sales and

Marketing Manager

Raymond R. DeCecco, Fire Protection Specialist Sales Contact: Raymond M. Fremont Jr.

#### Company Profile:

General Air Products, Inc. manufactures equipment for both residential and commercial

#### FormLink Systems

14547 Brookfield Drive Fishers, Indiana 46040-9401

Tel: 317.735.3345 Fax: 317.735.3342

Email: sales@formlinksystems.com

www.formlinksystems.com

#### **Fuel Technologies International**

PO Box 6863

Santa Maria, California 93456

Tel: 805.462.8849

Website:

www.fueltechnologiesinternational.com

fire protection. From our innovative residential fire protection pump and tank systems for NFPA 13D applications to our complete line of air compressors and nitrogen generators, quality and reliability are as integral as the pumps and switches. We also provide unparalleled customer service before and more importantly, after the sale. Visit our website or give us a call for details, drawings and more!

#### Gesco NV

6442 Arville Street Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 Tel: 702.357.6494

Website:

www.gesconv.com

#### Global Vision, Inc.

8730 Jefferson Highway Osseo, Minnesota 55369 Tel: 763.391.0990

Website:

www.gviflow.com

#### **Globe Fire Sprinkler Corporation**

4077 Air Park Drive Standish, Michigan 48658 Tel: 989.846.4583 Toll Free: 800.248.0278 Fax: 989.846.9231

Website:

#### www.globesprinkler.com

#### Founded:

1987

#### Primary Products/Services:

Manufacturers of sprinklers, valves and system accessories

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Mon.-Fri.

#### Management:

Steven R. Worthington, President
Buck Buchanan, Executive Vice President
Stephen Meyer, Vice President
Ted Archibald, Vice President of Engineering
Kevin Maughan, Vice President of New
Technology
Ralph Watson, National Sales Manager

Ralph Watson, National Sales Manager Clifton Hartford, Director of Business

Development

#### Sales Contact:

Lisa Romo (USA & Canada) Jennifer Goodman (International)

Tel: 989.846.4583 Fax: 989.846.9231

#### Company Profile:

Globe Fire Sprinkler Corporation is a family owned ISO-9001 certified manufacturer of sprinklers, valves, and accessories. Globe offers a complete range of USA-produced products for use in residential, commercial, storage, and special hazards applications.

In 2014, Globe celebrated 100 years of continuous production of Globe Sprinklers and Valves. Since the introduction of the first Globe Issue "A" Sprinkler in 1914, the Globe name has persisted in its enduring identity and continued innovation, developing the earliest lever-fulcrum dry pipe valve, the first patented Dry Sprinkler, and the Globe SaveAll center strut sprinkler.

Globe continues to develop new products as the world market demands, including the RCW Dry/Deluge/Preaction Valve, the UMC Universal Manifold Check, and the best-in-class model IC sprinkler for the protection of combustible concealed spaces.

Our 100% USA factory-tested products meet the stringent guidelines of various approval authorities, such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL), Factory Mutual (FM), Conformité Européene (CE), and the Loss Prevention Certification Board (LPCB).

#### **Guardian Fire Equipment**

3430 NW 38th Street Miami, Florida 33142 Toll-Free: 800.327.6584 Fax: 800.827.3869

#### Primary Products/Services:

Fire Standpipe Equipment

Market Area: Worldwide

#### Management:

Richard H. Childress, President Lisa C. Peterson, Vice President

#### **Gulf Coast Tank & Construction Company**

3902 Reese Road #A400 Rosenberg, Texas 77471 Tel: 713.637.8778

#### Harrington, Inc.

2630 West 21st Street Erie, Pennsylvania 16506 Tel: 814.838.3957 Fax: 814.838.7339 Email: paulc@harrinc.com

Website:

#### www.hydrantstorz.com/

Founded: 1988

#### Primary Products/Services:

Hydrant Storz adapter assemblies, Water supply connections, gate valves, Storz, threaded, and flange adapters, gated wyes

#### Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. M-F

#### Management:

Dave Harrington, President

#### Sales Contact:

Dave Harrington, President Email: daveh@harrinc.com

#### Company Profile:

Harrington, Inc. is a manufacturer of Hydrant Storz assemblies, intake valves, gate valves, adapters-threaded, Storz, and flange, suction hose, wyes, Siamese, Storz couplings and adapters. Send inquiries to: info@harrinc.com.

#### Hilti. Inc.

5400 S 122nd East Avenue Tulsa, Oklahoma 74146-6007 Tel: 800.879.6000

#### The Hose Monster Company

1330 Ensell Rd Lake Zurich, II 60047 Tel: 847.434.0101 Toll Free: 888.202.9987 Fax: 847.434.0073

Website:

#### www.hosemonster.com

Founded: 1996

Primary Products/Services:

Fire pump and flow test equipment

Market Area:

Global

Hours of Operation:

Mon.-Thurs. 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. CST, Fri. 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Management:

Fred Grenning, President

Sales Contact:

Michael Anderson, Sales Manager

#### Company Profile:

The Hose Monster Company is dedicated to providing equipment, software and procedural solutions that make the jobs of maintaining water distribution systems and pump testing safe, accurate and simple. All of our products are designed to give accurate information about the water supply that is available to fight a fire at any given moment.

#### HRS Systems, Inc.

208 Southside Square Petersburg, Tennessee 37144 Tel: 931.659.9760 Fax: 931.659.9763

Website:

www.hrssystems.com

#### Primary Products/Services:

Fire Protection Engineering Software

#### Management:

Hal R. Sanders, P.E., President H. Asa Tuten, Jr., General Manager

Marketing Area:

Worldwide

#### Company Profile:

HRS Systems, Inc. is a dynamic fire protection engineering software development and marketing entity. Our goal is to provide fire protection engineering software – second to none – worldwide. Accuracy of calculations and results are paramount, with ease of data entry and attention to user comments and suggestions ranking a close second. Annual updates, at no extra charge, often introduce new features; the JOB COST ESTIMATOR is now included in both HASS® and COOSA® (below) as utilities.

HRS Systems, Inc. presents:

- HASS® for hydraulic analysis of sprinkler systems
- JOB COST ESTIMATOR for cost estimating
- HASS HOUSE® for residential sprinkler analysis
- COOSA® for CO2 system analysis.

All of them are Windows-Based (32 & 64 bit) and available in both English and metric Units plus metric units/Spanish text.

For further information, please e-mail hass@ hrssystems.com.

#### **Huguenot Laboratories, Inc**

101 Riverdale Road Port Jervis, New York 12771 Toll Free: 800.228.3793 Fax: 845.858.8821

Founded:

1998

Primary Products/Services: Fire Protection Corrosion Solutions

Market Area:

North America, South America, New Zealand, Australia

Hours of Operation:

7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

Management:

Tim O'Leary, President

Sales Contact:

Tim O'Leary, President

#### Company Profile:

Huguenot Laboratories, Inc. is the leader in providing Microbiological Influenced Corrosion analysis testing to identify and provide mitigation options to address corrosion problems in wet and dry fire sprinkler systems. Huguenot Laboratories has a full suite of portable and permanent Chemical Injection Systems, Wet System Air Release Systems, Corrosion Monitoring Stations, test kits and nitrogen generation equipment to address all of your fire sprinkler corrosion management requirements. Huguenot Laboratories patent pending dry gas inhibitor technology is the industry's first new technology for dry and pre-action systems that allows for a complete corrosion management solution for the treatment of the air source. This new technology out-performs nitrogen and is a fraction of the cost of nitrogen equipment. Please call us at 800.228.3793.



#### Hydratec, Inc.

64 Haverhill Road Windham, New Hampshire 03087 Tel: 603.434.0502 Fax: 603.434.1348 Email: al@hydracad.com

Website:

www.hydratecinc.com

Founded:

1972

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Protection Design Software and Service using Revit or AutoCAD

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

Management:

Alan Johnston, President

Paul McKenna, Customer Support Manager

Bill McKenna, Design Manager

Sales Contact:

Art Dove, CAD Development Manager

Email: sales@hydracad.com

#### Company Profile:

Hydratec has been providing quality software and design services for over 45 years. Our complete line of software products, along with accessible and knowledgeable customer service, gives the Hydratec customer of any size or experience level an edge in design efficiency. Our software packages include HydraCAD for system design, HydraLIST for fabrication reports, HydraCALC for pipe sizing, HydraCALC-Sizer for pipe size estimating, HydraBID for price estimating, and HydraCAD-R for NFPA 13-D Systems and Hydratec for Revit for direct design, listing and calculations completely within a Revit model. These packages can be used separately, or as an integrated set to provide the best possible AutoCAD or Revit-based solution for 2D or 3D design, BIM, coordination and true Revit content integration.

#### **Hydrogen Innovations**

2040 Cortland Avenue San Mareno, California 91108 Tel: 626 441 4464

Fax: 562.266.1303 Contact: Robert Sanchez

## ITW Commercial Construction/Buildex –SAMMY

1349 W Bryn Mawr Avenue Itasca, Illinois 60143 Tel: 630.787.3211

Website:

www.itwccna.com

Founded:

1967

Primary Products/Services:

Pipe Hangers

Market Area: National

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

Management:

J. Schneider, Nat'l Mktg Mgr. Ben Nolen, Product Mktg Mgr.

Sales Contact:

Bryant Hope, Nat'l Sales Mgr.

#### Company Profile:

ITW Commercial Construction is a division of Illinois Tool Works, has been a leading manufacturer of fastener systems for the construction industry. Our mission is to provide value-added, innovative product solutions to help contractors and architects build high quality buildings. SAMMYS® suspended anchoring systems have been providing vertical and horizontal overhead structural attachment solutions for decades. They are manufactured to meet the design challenges of modern structures and are aesthetically compatible with green design principles seeking to provide borrowed lighting and space framing benefits. All Sammys are made here in the USA, using the Teks® and Tapcon® technology preferred by US contractors for years. Sammys are best known in the fire sprinkler industry, but are adaptable for use in plumbing, electrical and HVAC applications.

#### Independence Tube Corp.

6226 W. 74th Street Chicago, Illinois 60638-6121 Tel: 256.340.7420 Contact: Brad Glover

Website:

#### www.independencetube.com

#### Company Profile:

Independence Tube Corporation is a leading manufacturer of square, rectangular, and round structural steel tubing throughout North America. Founded in 1972, our Customers include many of the finest steel service centers and manufacturers of agricultural, transportation, lighting and material handling equipment located throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico.

#### JG Innovations, Inc.

P.O. Box 8128 Janesville, Wisconsin 53547-8128 Tel: 608.314.8710

Fax: 608.314.8712 Email: jack@jgius.com

#### Website:

#### www.jgius.com

#### Founded:

2009

Primary Products/Services:

Soffi-Steel® System

JGI Interlock™ Concealment Systems ALumA-Fit™ Concealment System

Market Area:

Nationwide

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. M-F

Sales Contact:

Allen Stowers, President Tel: 608.314.8710 Email: sales@igius.com

#### Company Profile:

JG Innovations, Inc. offers the Soffi-Steel® and Interlock™ concealment systems for the purpose of concealing Fire Sprinkler Systems, Piping, Plumbing, HVAC, ductwork and cable. The Soffi-Steel® and Interlock™ Concealment Systems are made in the USA, produced from A60/G90 galvannealed steel and carry industry approvals and certifications in the US and Canada. While our custom fabricated enclosure systems are unsurpassed in retrofit applications, the flexible design makes it equally impressive for new construction projects. Utilize the Soffi-Steel® and Interlock™ Concealment Systems for applications in: • Universities • Psychiatric Facilities • High Rise Apartments • Residential Properties • College Dormitories • Nursing Homes • Jails and Prisons • Commercial Buildings

#### **Johnson Controls, Fire Suppression**

1400 Pennbrook Pkwy Lansdale, Pennsylvania 19446

Phone: 215.362.0700 Toll Free: 800.558.5236 Fax: 800.877.1295

Website:

www.Tyco-fire.com

www.Tyco-RapidResponse.com

www.ryco-napidnesponse www.SprinkCAD.com www.Ansul.com www.Pyrochem.com www.Grinnell.com

www. On line Tech X change.com

#### Founded:

1850

#### Primary Products/Services:

Water & chemical based fire suppression product, fire grooved piping products, sprinkler system design software, training services.

Market Area:

Global

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-6:30 p.m. EST, M-F

Management:

Rekha Agrawal, G.M.,

Sales Contact:

Michael Mottice, Director of Sales, Americas

Tel: 800.558.5236 Fax: 800.877.1295

#### Company Profile:

Johnson Controls fire suppression solutions deliver an unmatched range of suppression systems, extinguishing agents, fire sprinklers and valves, design software, piping products, fittings, and fire-fighting equipment. We leverage our global scale and deep expertise to drive innovation, advance safety and solve the unique challenges of customers around the world. Our arsenal of brands includes some of the most trusted names in the industry, such as TYCO, RAPID RESPONSE, GRINNELL, SPRINKCAD, ANSUL, and CHEMGUARD.

### KENNEDY VALVE/Division of McWane,

#### Inc.

1021 E. Water Street PO Box 931 Elmira, NY 14902

Tel: 607.734.2211 Fax: 607.734.3288

#### Founded:

1877

#### Primary Products/Services:

a variety of valve products that meet AWWA specifications.

#### Management:

John Chalk, Customer Service Manager

#### **Knox Company**

1601 W Deer Valley Rd Phoenix, Arizona 85027-2112 Tel: 623. 687.2300

Fax: 623.687.2283 Contact: Cynthia Jones

Website

http://knoxbox.com

#### Long Island Pipe Supply, Inc.

586 Commercial Ave. Garden City, New York 11530 Tel: 516.222.8008

Fax: 516.222.9234

Website:

#### www.lipipe.com

Management:

Robert Moss, Owner

#### Company Profile:

Since 1975 Long Island Pipe Supply, Inc., owner Robert Moss has been driven to be the premier supplier of fire sprinkler pipes, valves, fittings, devices and accessories. Growth did not come easy.

"Building a fabrication and supply business takes years," Moss explains. "You develop accounts and prove yourself by providing top products and the highest level of service."

Long Island Pipe Supply carries the largest selection of nationally known brands at the most competitive prices. Our friendly, dedicated, knowledgeable staff provides outstanding service to every customer. They have the knowledge and ability to schedule a job, so your order is received on time.

Fast, reliable delivery.

An exclusive distributor of many product lines, we ship domestically and worldwide from our thirteen strategic locations. We stock every item needed to complete any fire sprinkler system job world-wide.

#### Master Control Systems, Inc.

910 North Shore Drive Lake Bluff, Illinois 60044 Tel: 847.295.1010 Fax: 847.295.0704

Email: sales@mastercontrols.com

Website:

#### www.mastercontrols.com

Founded:

1965

Primary Products/Services: Fire Pump Controllers

Management:

William Stelter, President Lisa Villa, Sales Brian Urbanik, Technical Support

#### Company Profile:

Master Control Systems, Inc. manufactures the world's first UL/FM Variable Speed Electric Fire

Pump Controller. In addition, we manufacture all types of NFPA 20, UL/FM approved, fire pump controllers. We offer electric controllers from 5-400 hp at 200-600. We also offer diesel fire pump controllers and accessory items. Five year warranties are standard on EC-series controllers or DEC-series diesel controllers.



#### The Metraflex Company

2323 West Hubbard Street Chicago, Illinois 60612-1403 Tel: 312.738.3800

Email: zekeb@metraflex.com

Website:

#### www.metrafire.com

Founded:

1958

Primary Products/Services:

Seismic Expansion Joints and Hangers for Fire Sprinkler Systems

Market Area:

International

Hours of Operation:

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. CST Mon.-Fri. Sales Contact: Zeke Bochenek. VP

#### Company Profile:

Metraflex is the leader in seismic expansion joints for fire sprinkler systems. Metraflex manufactures both seismic expansion joints and seismic breakaway hangers. Seismic expansion joints come in UL listed and FM approved versions, and movements from ±4 inches to ±24 inches. Seismic expansion joints are available in groove ends, weld ends and thread ends. Pipe sizes range from 1/2-inch up to 12-inches, depending on end fitting.



#### **Newburgh Windustrial**

65 Jeanne Drive Newburgh, New York 12550 Tel: 845.566.5300 Fax: 845.566.5340

Website:

www.newburghwindustrial.com

Management:

Dean Lucas, President

James Lucas, Vice President Outside Sales Representative: David J. Vandeyar Cell: 914.646.3283

#### Company Profile:

As part of a national wholesale distribution organization, known as WinSupplyInc., Newburgh Windustrial specializes in wholesale distribution of pipes, valves, and fittings for the fire sprinkler industry. From its 60,000 sq. ft. facility in the mid-Hudson Valley, Newburgh Windustrial provides fire sprinkler contractors throughout the northeast with customized fabrication of fire sprinkler systems. With a sharp focus on personalized service, Newburgh Windustrial has the expertise to be knowledgeable about the products they sell as well as the technical requirements of their customers.

#### The Noble Company

7300 Enterprise Drive Spring Lake, Michigan 49456 Tel: 800.878.5788 Fax: 231.799.8850

Website:

#### www.noblecompany.com

Founded:

1946

Hours of Operation:

8 a.m.-5 p.m. EST M-F

Management:

George Rudolph, National Sales Mgr. – Engineered Fluids

Dave Wormmeester, Vice President-Sales & Marketing

Sales Contact:

George Rudolph Tel: 800.878.5788 Fax: 231.799.8850

Email: sales@noblecompany.com

#### Company Profile:

Founded in 1946, Noble Company manufactures premium-quality, innovative products for the Tile, Plumbing, Heating and Cooling, and Fire Sprinkler industries. Noble Company's Engineered Fluids Division manufactures freeze protection fluids for various applications such as Hydronic under-floor-heating, Solar Heating Systems, Geothermal Systems, and Fire Sprinkler Systems. Noble Company is an American-based company, manufacturing products in Michigan and Louisiana. Our products are designed and manufactured to exceed applicable industry standards and are engineered for reliability.

#### PAC Pump & Systems, Inc.

106 Hobart St.

Hackensack, New Jersey 07601

Tel: 201.621.0500 Fax: 201.621.0506

Website:

#### www.pacpump.com

Founded:

2003

Primary Products/Services:

Fire pumps and controllers-sales and service.

Market Area:

New Jersey

Hours of Operation:

7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

Management:

William Casey, President Craig Pastore, Sales & Service Cate Griffing, Inside Sales Sales Contact: William Casey

#### Company Profile:

PAC Pump & Systems, Inc. is a distribution and service company whose dedicated team of engineers, sales personnel, customer service representatives, project managers, machinist, mechanics and administrative personnel offers years of experience in supplying rotating equipment and services. We ensure our staff is prepared to meet the requirements of each and every customer by investing in education, training and state-of-the-art technology. Our customers benefit from our unparalleled problem solving strategies that have developed through our many years of experience.

#### **Paragon Industries**

3378 W. Highway 117 Sapulpa, Oklahoma 74006 Tel: 918.291.4459

Website:

www.paragonindinc.com

#### Pentair-CADDY

34600 Solon Road Solon, Ohio 44139 Tel: 440-248-0100

Website:

www.erico.pentair.com

#### Primary Products/Services:

Fixing, fastening and support products for use in electrical installation, datacom, telecom, fire protection, seismic and HVAC applications.

#### Market Area:

National and International

#### Company Profile:

Pentair Engineered Electrical & Fastening Solutions is a leading global manufacturer and marketer of superior engineered products for niche mechanical applications. These Pentair products are sold globally under the marketleading brand, CADDY fixing, fastening, and support products. For more information on CADDY, please visit erico.pentair.com

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#### **Permabond Engineering Adhesives**

223 Churchill Ave.

Somerset, New Jersey 08873

Tel: 800.714.0170 Fax: 732.868.0267

Email: info.americas@permabond.com

#### Website:

#### www.permabond.com

Founded:

1978

Primary Products/Services:

Adhesives, Sealants

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

M-F 8:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. EST

#### Company Profile:

Permabond, a leading manufacturer of engineering adhesives, supplies high-quality industrial adhesives to customers in virtually every industry worldwide, including products specifically designed for the Fire Protection Industry. Permabond Pipe Sealants use anaerobic technology to prevent leaks in sprinkler systems. Used in fabrication and installation, Permabond Pipe Sealants replace pipe dope and sealing tapes with a complete and reliable seal. Cure is initiated by the presence of metal and the absence of air. Permabond's sales and technical experts are ready to assist you with all of your bonding and sealing needs.

#### PHD Manufacturing, Inc.

44018 Columbiana-Waterford Rd. Columbiana, Ohio 44408 Tel: 330 482 9256

Toll-Free: 800.321.2736 Fax: 330.482.2763

Website:

#### www.phd-mfg.com

Founded:

1972

#### Primary Products/Services:

PHD's products include: pipe hangers, bean clamps, roller supports, clamps, brackets, threaded accessories, nuts, bolts, fittings, braces, as well as strut product that include channel, clamps, nuts, inserts fittings, braces, brackets, bases and more. PHD also carries Fire Protection and Seismic products featuring CPVC straps and sway brace fittings.

#### Market Area:

U.S.,

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Mon.-Fri.

#### Management:

Joe Corvino, President

Jonathon Corvino, Vice President of Sales

330.921.9362

Rick Persing, Nat'l Sales Manager,

Sprinkler Division

Gene Hancock, National Sales Manager,

**Electrical Division** 

Sales Contact:

Rick Persing, Nat'l Sales Manager, Sprinkler

Division

Tel & Fax: 574.536.3857

#### Company Profile:

PHD Manufacturing, Inc. is a leading domestic manufacturer in the commercial and industrial plumbing, mechanical, electrical and fire protection industries since 1972.

Known for its service, PHD takes pride in providing quality products, problem solving solutions and on-time deliveries. With one of the largest inventories in the industry, the company's 23+ stocking warehouses make PHD products accessible throughout the United States and worldwide.

To find solutions to fit your need. Call 1-800-321-2736 or send an e-mail to customerservice@ phd-mfg.com today!

**Pipe Fabricators** 

8580 Valley Forge Lane N Maple Grove, Minnesota 55369

Tel: 763.488.8100 Toll-Free: 866.747.7473 Fax: 763.488.8140

Website:

www.pipefabricatorsps.com

Founded: 1984

Primary Products/Services:

Sprinkler supplier with fabrication

Market Area:

Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa

Hours of Operation:

6:00 am - 5:00 pm Mon-Fri

Sales Contact:

Mark Augustson, General Manager

Tel: 763.488.8100 Fax: 763.488.8140

Company Profile:

Pipe Fabricators is a supplier of fire protection products and fabrication. Since its establishment, Pipe Fabricators has evolved from a fabricator to a sprinkler supplier with fabrication. Our company has emerged over the years and will continue to grow as we enter new markets and expand our product line.

**PlanGrid** 

3265 17th Street #404 San Francisco, California 94110 Tel: 800.646.0796 Contact: David Posta

Website:

www.plangrid.com/

**Plumbers Supply Company** 

1000 E. Main St. Louisville, Kentucky 40206 Tel: 502.540.0223 Toll-Free: 800.626.5133 Fax: 502.540.0330

Website:

www.plumbers-supply-co.com

Founded: 1921

Primary Products/Service: Plumbing, Hydronics, HVAC. Fire Protection

Market Area:

Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana, Western West

Virginia

Hours of Operation: Mon.-Fri. 7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Management:

Brian Roberts, Outside Sales for Indianapolis area, Fire Protection Sales Manager, All locations

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Dale Sigler Tel:317.472.8903

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FIRE PROTECTION OUTSIDE SALES, KY, TN, SO. IN, WV

John Jutz Tel: 502.540.0272 Cell: 502.376.0639

Email: John.Jutz@plumber-supply-co.com

Company Profile:

Started in 1921 as Plumbing and Mill Supply house. Plumbers Supply has opened branches and mini-branches in over ten locations in our area. Plumbers Supply has been a fire protection supply house of steel pipe and fittings since its inception, but has had a dedicated fire sprinkler sales division since late 1980's.

Polymer Molding, Inc.

1655 West 20th Street Erie, Pennsylvania 16502 Toll-Free: 800.344.7584 Fax: 814.455.0289

Website:

www.polymermolding.com

Founded:

1978

Primary Products/Services:

**Product Protection** 

Market Area: Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

Management:

Chris Vinson, Vice President, Sales



**Potter Electric Signal Company** 

5757 Phantom Drive St. Louis, Missouri 63042 Toll-Free: 314.9565.6900 Fax: 314.595.6999

Email: orders@pottersignal.com

Website:

www.pottersignal.com

Founded:

1898

Primary Products/Services:

Flow, Pressure, Tamper Switches, Corrosion

Mitigation
Market Area:
Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. CST Mon.-Fri.

Sales Contact:

Tim Freiner, Vice President

- North American Sales

Email: sales@pottersignal.com

Company Profile:

Established in 1898, Potter Electric Signal Company produces a wide array of products including fire sprinkler monitoring systems,

nitrogen generators, corrosion monitoring/ testing, electronic fire systems, vault and safe security systems and boiler/chiller and industrial control products. At Potter, not only do we supply our customers with products that provide real world solutions for their unique needs, we strive to provide them unequaled service and technical support. Every employee at Potter is committed to provide the very best product and service available for the protection of life and property. Potter is THE Symbol of Protection.

#### **Potter Roemer**

17451 Hurley Street Industry, California 91744 Toll-Free: 800.366.3473 Fax: 714.545.3552

Website: www.potterroemer.com

#### Founded:

1937

#### Primary Products/Services:

Fire Extinguishers, Hoses, Valve Cabinets

Market Area:

U.S.A.

#### Management:

George Brown, Vice President, Sales

#### Company Profile:

Potter Roemer has been the leading supplier of interior hose and standpipe equipment to the fire protection industry. From four regional shipping facilities, PotterRoemer has the largest uncommitted inventory in stock and available for your project.

#### **Quimby Equipment Company, Inc.**

159 Express Street Plainview, NY 11803 Tel: 516.349.5959

Website: www.quimbyinc.com Email: info@quimbyinc.com

#### Primary Products/Services:

Pump Sales

Management:

Greg Ross, Sales Representative

#### **RCL Concrete Cutting & Coring**

333 Falkenberg Road N. Tampa, Florida 33619 Tel: 813.973.3800

Contact: Robert Litgen



#### Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., Inc.

103 Fairview Park Drive Elmsford, New York 10523 Toll-Free: 800.431.1588 Fax: 800.848.6051

Email: info@reliablesprinkler.com

Website:

#### www.reliablesprinkler.com

#### Founded:

1920

#### Primary Products/Services:

Sprinklers, Valves, Special Hazards/Systems, System Components, and Fabrication

Market Area:

Worldwide

#### Hours of Operation:

7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. EST Mon.-Fri.

#### Management:

Kevin T. Fee - President

Kevin T. Fee, Jr. V.P., Sales - Americas
John McNamara — V.P., Corporate Sales
Rex Schwendiman — V.P., System Components
Steve Wolin — V.P., Compliance/Product
Technology

Graeme Leonard - V.P., International Sales and Operations

#### Company Profile:

For almost 100 years, Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., Inc. has been one of the world's largest manufacturers of automatic fire sprinklers, fire protection valves, and accessory products, and an international distributor of sprinkler system components. Reliable provides innovative, quality fire protection solutions for commercial, industrial, and residential properties while maintaining the highest level of customer service. Reliable proudly serves as ONE SOURCE for all fire protection needs.

#### CORPORATE OFFICE:

103 Fairview Park Drive Elmsford, NY 10523 Tel.: 800.821.2138

Website:

www.reliablesprinkler.com

#### CORPORATE MANUFACTURING FACILITY:

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#### **Grand Prairie, TX**

972.352.6400 phone 972.352.6402 fax

#### **Response Fire Supply**

2040 Yale Street Ste D Santa Ana, California 92704-3923 Tel: 714.754.7100

Website:

www.responsefiresupply.com

#### RJB Wholesale, Inc.

12418 NE 124th Street Kirkland, Washington 98034 Tel: 206.707.3385

#### SBS Tanks USA, Inc.

1925 Longmire Road Conroe, Texas 77304 Tel: 832.702.7430 Contact: Brian Wilson



#### **Smith-Cooper International**

2867 Vail Avenue Commerce, California 90040 Tel: 323.890.4455 Toll Free: 800.766.0076

Fax: 323.890.4456

Wehsite:

#### www.smithcooper.com

Founded:

1993

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Sprinkler Products

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

5:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. M-F PST

Management:

Jason Hild, CEO

Sales Contact:

Bill Vollmar, National Sales Manager

Fire Protection Tel: 800.766.0076

#### Company Profile:

Headquartered in Commerce, California, Smith-Cooper International is a leading designer, producer, and distributor of branded, highquality pipe, valves, and fittings ("PVF"). The Company operates 4 strategically located U.S. distribution centers which serve multiple endmarkets, including the industrial MRO, oil & gas, commercial construction sectors including fire protection, as well as performance valves under the Sharpe® Valve Brand. The Company's product offering encompasses over 20,000 stockkeeping units ("SKUs") sold to more than 2,500 customers throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, Asia, and the Middle East.



#### The Solberg Company

1520 Brookfield Avenue Green Bay, Wisconsin 54313-8808 Tel: 920.593.9445

Email: dave.pelton@solbergfoam.com

#### www.solbergfoam.com

Founded:

1971

Primary Products/Services:

Foam agents and systems hardware

Market Area:

Global

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. CST M-F

Management:

Jerry Borowski, Gen. Mgr., Americas Bill Smith, VP, Global Sales Dave Pelton, VP, Global Mktg. Mitch Hubert, VP, Global Prod. Dev.

Sales Contact:

Mark Pillow, Dir. of Sales, Americas

Tel: 812.303.9028 Cell: 812.568.9817

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#### Company Profile:

An Amerex Corporation company, SOLBERG has the expertise, capabilities and resources to serve the fire protection and firefighting industry. The company is a global resource for firefighting foam concentrates and foam systems hardware. Solberg offers a line of environmentally sustainable fluorosurfactant and fluoropolymerfree foam concentrate products, an innovation in Class B firefighting foam, and traditional Class B, C6 based PFOS-free, AFFF and AR-AFFF foam concentrates including a Class A foam. SOLBERG Foam Systems Hardware is engineered by a team with over 225 years of combined in-the-field fire protection experience for high-hazard, high-risk environments. At Solberg, we continually pioneer firefighting foam technologies to meet the latest demands in the Aerospace, Aviation, Chemical, Defense, Energy, Fire Service, Marine, Mining, Oil & Gas. Petrochemical, Pharmaceutical, Pipeline. Solvents & Coatings and Utilities industries.

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#### **South-Tek Systems**

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#### **SPP Pumps**

2905 Pacific Dr. Norcross, Georgia 30071 Tel: 770.409.3280 Fax: 770.409.3290

Email: sales@spppumps.com

#### Founded:

1875

Primary Products/Services:

fire pumps and fire pump systems

Market Area:

Global

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. M-F EST

Management:

John Kahren, President

Jimmy Hunt, Director of Sales, Fire Division Veronica Bryant, Marketing Services

Sales Contact:

Jimmy Hunt

Tel: 770.409.3280 ext. 2204 email: james\_hunt@spppumps.com

#### Company Profile:

SPP Pumps has been working with consultants, contractors, installers and end-users for more than a century to achieve the most cost effective fire system pumping solutions. Since SPP Fire was formed in 1875, it has built a reputation for quality and value that has made it unquestionably the leading supplier of Approved Fire Protection Pumping Packages throughout the world. SPP Pumps has six facilities worldwide that offer the same attention to quality and value that has made SPP Pumps a market leader for over 100 years.

#### **Star Sprinkler Corporation**

140 Peachstone Gln West Springfield, Massachusetts 01089 Tel: 413.737.6371 Fax: 413.734.3470



#### Starfire Inc.

9825 South 54th Street Franklin, Wisconsin 53132-8668 Tel: 414.483.5959

Fax: 414.483.1566

#### Website:

#### www.starfireusa.com

Email: info@starfireusa.com

#### Founded:

1987

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Sprinkler Material and Fire Pumps

#### Market Area:

Midwest & Southwestern U.S./International

#### Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. CST, Mon.-Fri.

#### Management:

Darrel R. Malek, Chairman Scott Mathwig, President

#### Sales Contact:

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FAX: 414.483.1566

Email: info@starfireusa.com

#### Company Profile:

Starfire, Inc. is an independent fire protection supplier with an extensive product line and

a knowledgeable service team. We stock fire sprinklers, control valves, fittings of all types, monitoring devices, bladder expansion and surge suppression tanks and system accessories. We also sell and service fire pumps, controllers and water storage tanks. In addition, Starfire Systems and Starfire Extinguisher offer special hazard fire protection solutions including design, supply and installation. Please see our website for additional information and we encourage you to contact either our Wisconsin or California location with any questions.

#### CALIFORNIA BRANCH:

#### Starfire. Inc.

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#### Superior Tank Company, Inc.

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#### System Sensor

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#### Website:

#### www.systemsensor.com

#### Founded:

1984

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Sprinkler System Monitoring Products, Fire Detection and A/V Notification Devices

#### Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. CST Mon.-Fri.

#### Management:

Rich Lattanzi, President, Honeywell Security and Fire. Americas

Dave Pakech, VP of Security and Fire Sales Chuck Kitts, Director of Fire Sprinkler Sales Tim Baker, Director of Marketing

Dennis Sekermestrovich, Western Regional Manager

#### Sales Contact:

Chuck Kitts, Director of Fire Sprinkler Sales

#### Company Profile:

System Sensor is a global manufacturer of sprinkler monitoring products, including water flow detectors, supervisory switches, pressure switches, deluge releasing panel, alarm bells and explosion-proof products. With sales, service and manufacturing facilities extending throughout the Americas, Europe and Asia, System Sensor promises to continue developing advanced ideas that deliver advanced solutions. Our high production standards and constant communication with our customers gives you a quality product with the information and support you need to install and maintain our products. Because we place a premium on research and development, System Sensor sprinkler monitoring products are quick and easy to install and maintain.

#### **Talco Industries**

6040 NE 117th Ave. Portland, Oregon 97220-1012

Tel: 503.668.1231 Fax: 503.688.1234 Email: ks@talcofire.com

Website:

#### www.talcofire.com

#### Founded:

1981

#### Primary Products/Services:

Residential and commercial packaged fire pump systems

#### Market Area:

U.S. & Canada

Hours of Operations:

M-F 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. PST

#### Sales Contact:

Kim Strobeck, Sales Manager Email: ks@talcofire.com

#### Company Profile:

Talco Fire Systems has been building premium quality fire pump systems for over 30 years. Specializing in both residential and commercial packaged fire pump systems, we design & custom build packaged units to fit any application. Our packaged systems will save you time, money, and headaches. We pull it all together, you drop it in place. Whether you need a residential fire pump and tank for your home or a 5000 GPM diesel driven fire system for a multi-warehouse complex - Talco has you covered.

#### **Tank Connection**

3609 N. 16th

Parsons, Kansas 67357 Tel: 620.423.3010 Fax: 620.423.3999

#### Website:

#### www.tankconncetion.com

Founded:

2004

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Protection Water Storage Tanks

#### Market Area:

Worldwide

#### Management:

Bill Neighbors, President & CEO

#### Sales Contact:

Bransie Qualls, Sales Director, Liquid Division Email: bransie@tankconnection.com

#### Company Profile:

Tank Connection designs, manufactures and installs the top rated bolted tank design available for fire protection applications... worldwide. Designed to meet Factory Mutual and NFPA 22 requirements, the Tank Connection performance package remains unmatched in the industry.

Our LIQ Fusion 7000 FBETM coating system and application technology is unmatched in water storage applications, and offered exclusively by Tank Connection. Our facilities are ISO 9001 Certified. TC field construction processes are superior in quality and field safety with an EMR of .59.

Tank Connection is #1 in Storage Applications... Over 2100 years of combined storage tank experience.

#### **Telgian Corporation**

2615 South Industrial Park Avenue Tempe, Arizona 85282 Tel: 480.753.5444 Toll Free: 866.364.1700

Fax: 480.753.5450 Website:

#### www.telgian.com

#### Primary Products/Services:

Engineering/Consulting/Design/Loss Control.

#### Market Area:

U.S., Canada, Mexico, Latin America, Caribbean

#### Hours of Operation:

M-F 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. local time

Management:

Russell Leavitt, Executive Chairman Jim Tomes, President and CEO Brian Ballard. CFO

#### Sales Contact:

Ryan Smith Tel: 480.621.5024 FAX: 480.753.5450

#### Company Profile:

The Engineering Division of Telgian Corporation specializes in Engineering, Consulting, System Design and Loss Control Engineering services along with third party plan review, acceptance testing and system commission services for owners and authorities having jurisdiction. Telgian engineering has licensed engineers in all 50 states, U.S. territories and Canada. Telgian has a long history of working with owners, builders and contractors to solve complex fire protection challenges and has expertise in several verticals including storage, high rise, assembly, industrial, health care and residential. Telgian has worked with fire sprinkler contractors throughout the U.S., delivering quality working drawings that are prepared by NICET certified designers with oversight by professional engineers.

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System Type	Per NFPA 13 (standard spray sprinklers)	<b>OTHERS</b> Specific Application Attic Sprinklers	<b>GLOBE'S</b> NEW Specific Application DS/RE
Wet System	150 gpm – 250 gpm	250 gpm – 300 gpm	110 gpm
Dry System	300 gpm – 500+ gpm	340 gpm – 400 gpm	130 gpm

Anticipated system demands consider non-maximum sprinkler spacing due to construction and estimated over discharge of piping system.

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#### www.cooperbline.com/tolco

Founded:

1967

#### Primary Products/Services:

Seismic Bracing; Custom Supports, Pipe Hangers & Supports, Strut Fittings & Accessories & Engineering Support, TOLBrace ® Software

Market Area:

Worldwide

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#### www.ubw.com

Founded:

1910

Primary Products/Services:

bronze valves / custom cast and machined

products

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

Management:

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#### Company Profile:

United Brass Works, Inc manufactures a wide range of bronze and ductile iron valves for fire sprinkler applications.

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1620

Primary Products/Services:

Residential Fire Sprinkler Systems

Market Area: North America

Management:

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Company Profile:

Uponor's PEX-based AquaSAFE residential fire sprinkler systems are listed to UL 1821 and provide flexible solutions for NFPA 13D applications, including multipurpose and stand-alone and exposed applications. Uponor provides exceptional support, training, products and materials to ensure peace of mind for homeowners, installers and AHJs.



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Founded:

1925

Market Area:

Global

Management:

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#### Company Profile:

As the world's leading producer of grooved mechanical pipe-joining systems, Victaulic works collaboratively with its customers and affiliates worldwide to deliver innovative solutions across our core business areas. Our products and services put people to work faster while increasing safety, ensuring reliability and maximizing efficiency and sustainability. Visitwww.victaulic.com and follow us on LinkedIn, Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube.



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Founded:

1897

Primary Products/Services:

- Fire Sprinklers and Systems
- Fire Protection Valves
- CPVC Pipe and Fittings
- Fabrication Services
- Grooved Piping System
- Steel Pipe
- Threaded Fittings
- Hangers & Fasteners
- Electrical Products
- Foam Systems
- FDC Equipment - Backflow Prevention
- Tools & Accessories

Market Area: Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

24/7/365

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Together, the companies of The Viking Group (Viking Corporation, Viking SupplyNet, Viking Fabrication Services, and Viking Plastics) provide integrated solutions for any fire protection challenge. With a comprehensive range of products and services, Viking provides much more than fire protection hardware. We help streamline the work of our customers. We help improve their quality of service. We help them grow their business.

The experience of our employees, our commitment to advancing fire protection technology, and our high-quality, worry-free products and services all make Viking the single-source supplier for thousands of customers worldwide.

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With 22 years of sprinkler fabrication and distribution experience from a single branch in Stoughton, MA, F.W. Webb Company has executed a fire protection expansion plan by opening a 50,000 sq. ft. state-of-the-art fabrication plant in Canton, MA and simultaneously added fire protection inventories throughout New England and Upstate New York.

Additionally, we've invested in dedicated sprinkler salespeople at these locations, namely, Cranston, RI; Hartford, CT; Albany, NY; Williston, VT and Portland, ME. Our mission is to grow our business by constantly and consistently improving customer service, providing high quality products at a fair price, and investing in new technology that provides sustainable value to our customers.



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#### Founded:

Wehsite:

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#### Primary Products/Services:

Tubular steel products, electrical conduit, steel sprinkler pipe, fence framework, standard pipe

#### Market Area:

Nationwide

#### Hours of Operation:

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5445 Wakefield Ave. Mount Pleasant, WI 53406 Phone: 262-898-9160

Website: www.associatesengineering.com Contact: Mark E. Miller, P.E., President

Services: Consulting and design of fire protection

systems. Please see website for details.

#### As-Tech Industries, Inc.

2016 Sabinal Street Mission, TX 78572 Phone: 609-442-3372 Contact: Greg Loomer

#### **Astor Park Designs**

2188 Masters Street Beloit, WI 53511 Phone: 920-883-1047 Contact: Samuel Nelson

#### Baja Design Engineering S.C.

225 Hernandez Street Calexico, CA 92231 Phone: 686-905-9855

Website: www.bajadesign.com.mx

Contact: Frank Guzman

email: fguzman@globalmechanical.com.mx Products/Services: Fire protection systems. Systems designed according to international codes, norms and local ordinances on fire protection. Automatic sprinkler systems.

Protection systems with hose cabinets. Pumping systems and storage tanks. Special extinguishing systems. Special risks, Hydraulic calculations. Seismic calculations. Fire Alarm systems. We provide engineering to develop special projects of fire protection alarms. Notification systems (pulldown stations and sirens). Monitoring systems and sprinkler systems, supervision, pumping equipment and water reservoir tanks. Smoke detection systems, directional/conventional. Projected beam detection, detection by smoke aspiration. Special gases detection. Intelligent control panels, Remote events monitoring. Smoke Control and handling.

#### **BCE Engineers, Inc**

6021 12th Street E. Ste. 200 Fife, WA 98424 Phone: 253-922-0446 FAX: 253-922-0896 Contact: Fred Blanchard

#### **BCER Engineering**

5420 Ward Road Arvada, CO 80002 Phone: 303-422-7400 Contact: Savannah Donarski

#### **Bêty Experts-Conseils Inc.**

146 Rue Larochelle St Narcisse de Beaurivage Quebec, Canada GOS 1 WO Tel: 418.475.4502

Website: www.bety-experts.com Contact: Jackques Bêty

#### Bizcom

2740 Blackbird Hollow Cincinnati, OH 45244 Phone: 513-961-7200 Contact: Larry Aver

Email: larryayer@bizcomelec.com

#### **BMT** Engineering, P.C.

333 West Main Street Boonton, NJ 07005 Phone: 973-331-5121 FAX: 973-331-0544

Contact: Thomas Bravante, P.E., President Services: Full service fire protection engineering

#### **BRG Fire Sprinkler Design**

12650 Blosser Road North Lima, Ohio 44452 Phone: 330-207-4312 Contact: Benjamin Pahanish

#### **Brodz Sales & Engineering Company, Inc.**

10751 Indian Head Industrial Blvd St. Louis, MO 63132 Phone: 314-890-8201

Contact: Robert Carey Email: bcarey@brodz.com

#### **Central Kitsap School District**

9102 Dickey Road NW Silverdale, WA 98383-8860 Phone: 360-443-0473 Contact: Winston Danseco Email: winstond@ckschools.org

#### Builder's Book, Inc.

8001 Canoga Ave Canoga Park, CA 91304 Phone: 818-887-7828 Fax: 818-887-7990 Contact: Oussa Awad Email:sales@buildersbook.com

#### Certified Design Systems, Inc.

14609 S. Woods Landing Draper, UT 84020 Phone: 801-878-9008 FAX: 801-878-9008

Contact: Jeff Johnson, President

and life safety consulting firm, providing a diverse range of crucial fire protection and life safety consultation and design services.

#### Codes-Based Solutions, LLC

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Collado Engineering PC

Website www.collado-eng.com Email: info@collado-eng.com Contact: Albert Collado, P.E. Services: Consulting Engineering

White Plains, NY 10603

Phone: 914-332-7658

FAX: 914-332-7659

30 Flatbush Ave Brooklyn, NY 11217-1121 Phone: 917-939-3646 Contact: Sean Sweeney Email: Sweeneyse@coned.com

2 Holland Ave.

Website: www.codesbasedsolutions.com Email: rtrotter@codesbasedsolutions.com Contact: Robert Trotter, Owner, Sr. Fire Protection Consultant

Services: Codes-Based Solutions, LLC, —an independent consulting firm specializing in a broad range of fire protection, life safety, and codes-based consulting services, locally and nationally. The firm provides codes-based solutions for the built environment and our expertise ranges from homes to high-rise.

#### **Calico-Sterling Company**

1015 Acacia Lane Davis, CA 95616-3213 Phone: 530-219-1960 Contact: William Greene

Email: billgreene@calico-sterling.com Products/Services: Fire Protection Consultant

#### **Charles G. Michel Enginnering PC**

470 Mamaroneck Ave. Ste 411 White Plains, NY 10605 Phone: 914-949-5112 FAX: 914-949-5116 Contact: Charles Michel

Email: cmichel@cgmengineering.com

#### **Carlson Design**

55 Red Stone Drive Weatoque, CT 06089-9608 Phone: 860-651-0622 Fax: 860-651-1221 Contact: Leslie Carlson

621 E. Grand Ave. Fruita, Colorado 81521 Phone: 970-261-0660 Contact: Gary Curtis

#### Cinnco, Inc.

Email: gcurtis@cinnco.com

#### **CDM Smith**

125 S. Wacker Dr. Ste 600 Chicago, IL 60606-4437 Phone: 312-346-5000 Contact: April Ricketts, Owner

#### **Cloninger Consulting**

2793 Lake Shore Road South Denver, NC 28037 Phone: 714-616-7425 Contact: Richard Cloninger Email: cloningers@msn.com

## **Consolidated Utility District**

Con Edison/Brooklyn/SI Facilities

PO Box 249 Murfressboro, TN 37133 Phone: 615-867-7302 Fax: 615-893-4913 Website: www.cudrc.com

#### **Centerline Design, LLC**

6361 W. 800 N. McCordsville, IN 46055 Phone: 317-410-2200 Contact: Patrick Murray, Owner Email: pmurray@centerlinedesignllc.com

#### Code Consultants, Inc.

2043 Woodland Parkway, Ste 300 St. Louis, Missouri 63146 Phone: 314-991-2633 Fax: 314-991-4614

Website: www.codeconsultants.com

Contact: Will Smith, FPE

Services: Internationally recognized fire protection

#### **Consulting Engineering Services, Inc.**

811 Middle St Middletown, CT 06457 Phone: 860-632-1682 FAX: 860-682-1768

Contact: Delbert Smith, Jr. Principal

#### **Daniel Building Investigations, Inc.**

1246 Abbey Oaks Dr. Lemont, IL 60439 Phone:630-803-2071 Fax: 331-318-8956

Website: www.danielbi.com Contact: James Daniel

#### **Dave Watson Associates**

1325 West Beecher Rd. Adrian, MI 49221 Phone: 517-263-8988 FAX: 517-263-2328 Contact: Dave Watson

#### **Davidson Associates**

PO Box 4002 Greenville, DE 19807 Phone: 302-994-9500 Fax: 302-994-3414 Contact: James Davidson

Email: jdavidson@davidsonassociates.net

#### Design Learned, Inc.

PO Box 703 Columbia, CT 06237-0703 Phone: 860-234-4000 Contact: Ronald Miles Email: rlmiles.jr@gmail.com

#### **Design Line Fire Protection, Inc.**

coordination. 28 years in the trade.

7910 171st Lane NW Ramsev. MN 55303 Phone: 763-274-0768 Fax: 763-241-1659 Email: dsgline@aol.com Contact: Bruce Thomas, Owner Products/Services: All types of design @ 3D

#### DFPS. Inc.

5270 Princeton Road Liberty Twp, OH 45011-8412 Phone:513-887-0016 Fax:513-887-0059 Email: dfps@fuse.net

Contact: Ralph Davidson

Services: State of Ohio and NICET Certified, 47 years experience in all types of water based fixed fire sprinkler systems and associated appurtenances. Use AutoSPRINK for hydraulic calculations and input to Navisworks models.

#### **Donald Mayo-Fire Protection** Consultant, Inc.

150 Grove Circle Pleasant Hill, CA 94523 Phone: 925-933-6299 Fax: 925-933-6288

Website: www.donaldmavo.com Contact: Donald Mayo, President

Services: Code consulting, fire detection & suppression systems specifications, risk and hazard assessment, plan review for code and standards compliance, property inspections and life safety analysis.

#### **Draw 4 Me Fire Systems**

4045 Almendro Ct. Modesto, California 95356 Phone: 209-543-6190 FAX: 866-927-3129 Contact: Aaron Juarez

## COMPLIANCE TESTING

#### **Dyne Technologies LLC**

2357 Ventura Drive Ste. 108 Woodbury, MN 55125-1944 Phone: 651-917-0644 Fax: 651-917-0644 Website: www.dyneusa.com Email: julie@dyneusa.com Contact Name: Julie Bunch, Customer Service Manager

Products or Services: Dyne Fire Protection Labs specializes in compliance testing for sprinklers. fighting foam, and antifreeze solution. You can expect top-notch laboratory testing and customer service from the beginning of the process to the end: -5-business day turn around - free test kits for most types of testing - free shipping with in the continental United States - rush services available - excellent customer service and technical service - ISO 9001 certified in the fire safety business, making sure NFPA 25 maintenance inspections get done and done correctly is a big deal. Lives and property are at stake. You can count on Dyne Fire Protection Labs to help you get the job done.

#### **EAG Fire Systems**

168 Wynntry Circle Henderson, NV 89074-3356 Phone: 702-371-9625 Contact: Eric Gonzales Email: eric@eagfiresystems.com

#### **EBL Fire Engineering-Div. of EBL Engineers**

8005 Harford Rd. Baltimore, MD 21234 Phone: 410-668-8000 Fax: 410-668-8001

Contact: Jeffrey Paul McBride Email: jmcbride@eblengineers.com

Products/Services: EBL's fire protection division includes licensed fire protection engineers specifically trained in risk analysis, hazard assessment and the design of fire protection and detection systems.

#### **Engineered Design Group**

31 Nathan Hale Pl. Freehold, NJ 07728-1386 Phone: 732-761-0108 FAX: 732-761-0109 Contact: Paul Schwartz

#### **Engineered Fire Systems, Inc.**

11832 Tammy Way Grass Valley, CA 95949 Phone: 530-274-9400 Fax: 530-274-9488 Website: www.efs1.com Email: eprice@efs1.com

Contact: Eric Price, SET, President Products/ Service: Fire sprinkler system shop drawings. calculations and material lists.

#### **Engineering Dynamics Corp.**

900 Eha Street Wailuku, HI 96793 Phone: 808-242-1644 FAX: 808-242-0838

Contact: Douglas Gomes, P.E.

#### **Engineering Systems, Inc.**

6230 Regency Pkwy Norcross, GA 30071-2348 Phone: 678-990-3280 Contact: Michael Haves Email: mdhayes@esi-atl.com

#### **Exponent**

17000 Science Drive Suite 200 Bowie, MD 20715 Phone: 301-291-2544 Contact: Pock Utiskul Email: yutiskul@exponent.com Contact: Nicholas Nava Email: nnava@exponent.com

#### **Exponent Failure Analysis Associates**

9 Strathmore Rd. Natick, MA 01760 Phone: 508-652-8500 Fax: 508-652-8599

Website: www.exponent.com

Contact: Andrew Ellison, Managing Engineer

#### F2M Fire & Drafting Designs INC

PO Box 1044 Clifton Park, NY 12065-0803 Phone: 914-510-3236 Name: Fernandez McKenley

Email: fernandez@f2mfadds.com

#### Fire Design, Inc.

600 W. Bypass Hwy 19E Suite 202

Burnsville, NC 28714 Phone: 828-284-4772 Website: www.fire-design.com

Contact: Cliff Whitfield, President Email: cliff@fire-design.com

Products/Services: Established in late 2002, we provide fire sprinkler shop/submittal drawings prepared in 3D format using AutoSPRINK. Our team is comprised of NICET III & IV certified designers that have worked on projects of all sizes and complexities. We have specialized in 3D coordinated projects for the past nine years.

#### **Fire Protection Design Consultant**

2294 Georgetown Circle Aurora, IL 60503 Phone: 630-638-0265

Contact: Joseph M. Henk, Fire Sprinkler Designer

#### Fire Protection Design, Inc.

14 Denver Dr.

New City, NY 10956-2305 Phone: 845-634-2133 Fax: 845-623-1533

Contact: Michael Koutsoftas

#### Fire Protection Design, LLC

26 Hampshire Drive

Hudson, New Hampshire 03051

Phone: 603-969-3191 Contact: Marc Ruggiero Email: marc@getfiredesign.com

#### Fire Safety Consultants, Inc.

2420 Alft Ln. Elgin, IL 60124 Phone: 847-697-1300

Contact: Keith S. Frangiamore, President

kfrangiamore@firesafetyfsci.com

#### Fire Suppression Design, Inc.

891 South Second Street Ronkonkoma, NY 11779 Phone: 631-885-5042 Fax: 631-737-3884 Contact: Howard Flood Email: HFlood6020@aol.com Services: Fire Suppression Design

#### Fire-Ex Systems Engineering, Inc.

3500 Stewart Ave. Wausau, WI 54401 Phone: 715-359-5684 Website: www.firexsvs.com Contact: Russ Slaby Email: russ@firexsys.com

Services: What We Do:

On time, coordinated 3D design from plan or on-site survey anywhere in the world. Hydraulic calculation and/or analysis of new or existing systems for purposes of new design approval, occupancy changes or system evaluation. Production of detailed and pre-coordinated shop drawings for submittal to AHJ for approval, prefabrication and installation. AS-built drawings can be provided if desired as part of the order. Composite listing of all materials required to fabricate and install the system. In addition, we can provide a list of piping to be pre-fabricated and group by line and main designation. Preconstruction planning and preliminary drawing preparation. This can include help in developing budgets for the purpose of submitting project AFEs. Our company provides real world application and design intended for the prefabrication and finally installation by others. While we do not offer installation, we do provide completed design with stock lists and shop drawings that can be issued for true "apples to apples" bid results. You can be in control of your installation and know that every installer was bidding from plans and specs indicating material and an installation you have already approved.

#### Fireguard Inspection Agency

65 Richardson Court Montgomery, NY 12549 Phone: 877-618-6333 Fax: 212-937-2195 Contact: Martin Bowie

Email: mbowe@fireguardnyc.com

#### Flagship Fire

2810 Notre Dame Drive Titusville, FL 32780 Phone: 321-289-2889 Contact: Jeff Trew

Email: jeffgtrew@gmail.com

#### Florida Fire Protection Consultants, Inc.

1734 Kingsley Ave Ste 3 Orange Park, FL 32073-4418 Phone: 904-579-1335 FAX: 904-579-2434 Email: jduke@flfire.com Website: www.flfire.com Contact: Jim Duke, President Services: We provide fire protection design, 3D-

BIM coordination & consultant services.

#### **Fortier Engineering**

5889 Forbes Ave. Ste 330 Pittsburgh, PA 15217 Phone: 412-521-1880

Website: www.fortierengineering.com Contact: Daniel Fortier, Principal Email: dfortier@fortierengineering.com

Services: Fire Suppression systems design, HVAC & Plumbing systems design, Energy Modeling, Commissioning & LEED consulting.

#### G. Tim Stone Consulting, LLC

117 Old Stage Rd. Essex Junction, VT 05452-2518 Phone: 802-434-2968 Contact: Tim Stone

#### **Gagnon Engineering**

2660 Daisv Rd. Woodbine, MD 21797.8126 Phone: 301-461-6949 Fax: 401-489-0140 Contact: Robert Gagnon

#### **Global Fire Suppression** & Mechanical Products LLC

10634 Grand Riviere Dr. Tampa. FL 33647 Phone: 813-760-3860 Contact: George Benitez

#### GoCAD, LLC

3168 Willow Springs Circle Venice, FL 34293 Phone: 941-244-0252 FAX: 888-234-4150 Contact: Gus Olson

733 Riva Ridge Edmond, OK 73025 Phone: 405-921-1859 Contact: Frank Gagliardi Email: ggagliardi@fsb-ae.com

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#### **Furman Insurance Agency**

1314 E. Atlantic Blvd. Pompano Beach, Florida 33060 Phone: 954-943-5050 FAX: 954-590-9964 Contact: Carlos Chinchilla

#### Gray A & E, P.S.C.

10 Quality Street Lexington, KY 40507-1450 Phone: 513-405-4405 Contact: Gus Olson

Email: gus.olson@earthlink.net

## **GREAT PLAINS** FIRE SPECIALISTS

#### **Great Plains Fire Specialists. Inc.**

106 S. 6th Street Plattsmouth, NE 68048 Phone: 402-660-8167

Email: jeremy@greatplanis-fire.com Website: http://greatplains-fire.com

#### Contact: Jeremy Hadfield

Services: Great Plains Fire Specialists, Inc. provides fire sprinkler submittal & shop drawings prepared in 3D format using AutoSPRINK design program. Our team of NICET level certified designers with broad knowledge of all waterbased fire sprinkler system types. We focus on design, material, and labor costs on both new construction and site surveys. Complete listing of all materials necessary to fabricate and install a system can be provided. 3D coordination is offered as well. Also, we provide property loss control consulting for facility owners and fire protection consulting for engineering firms.

#### **GSM Fire Design**

6101 Chickaloon Dr. McHenry, IL 60050 Phone: 815-791-9100 Website: www.gsmfdinc.com Contact: Gene Melnytschuk Email: gene@gsmfdinc.com

#### Hahn Engineering Inc.

3060 South Dale Mabry Hwy Tampa, FL 33629 Phone: 813-831-8599 Fax: 813-835-7046 Email: http://hahneng.com Contact: Warren Hahn Email: wghahn@hahneng.com

#### **Hakenwerth Fire Sprinkler Design**

359 Shockdrake Ct. Wentzville, MO 63385 Phone: 636-332-9578 Fax: 636-327-8750

Email: hfsdesign@centuryPhone.net Contact: Tony Hakenwerth, Owner Services: Fire sprinkler system design.

#### **Hampton Fire Design, LLC**

4950 NW 55th Ct. Tamarac, FL 33319-3287 Phone: 954-994-6692 Contact: Jim Hampton Email: hfdllc@outlook.com

Service: Design, Hydraulic Calculation & Stocklisting of Water Based Fire Sprinkler

Systems.

#### Harrington Group, Inc.

2400 Meadowbrook Pkwy #250 Duluth. GA 30096-4635 Phone: 770-564-3505 FAX: 770-564-3509 Website: www.hgi-fire.com

Contact: Diane Stone Email: dstone@hgi-fire.com

Products/Services: Harrington Group, Inc. is an engineering design and consulting firm with offices in metro Atlanta, Georgia and Charlotte, North Carolina. Our firm specializes in Fire Protection Engineering, Forensic Engineering and Property Loss Control Consulting. Established in 1986, the firm has grown to become one of the largest and most experienced practices headquartered in the southeast region dedicated to these fire protection engineering specialties. Design & Consulting:

Design and consulting services vary widely according to the client's need, from a relatively simple sprinkler design to a highly specialized AFFF foam/water deluge or FM-200 gaseous fire extinguishing system. Sophisticated code analysis or computer fire modeling is often provided to satisfy a client's need. The primary objective of design and consulting is to provide cost-effective, reliable defenses against the threat of fire for life, property and business operations.

#### Hawk Fire Protection & Design, LLC

177 Jupiter Trail Weatherford, TX 76088 Phone: 817-594-4454 FAX: 817-594-9775 Contact: Mark Davis

Email: hawkfire@uwmail.com

Services: Fire sprinkler system design services. NICET III certified and RME-G. Utilize HydraCAD and AutoSprink design software. Can provide drawings for BIM Coordination.

#### **HCC & Associates, Inc.**

PO Box 8085 West Grove, PA 19390-0885 Phone: 302-369-6901 Website: www.hccassoc.com Contact: Hal Cohen

#### **Henderson Engineers, Inc.**

8345 Lenexa Drive Suite 300 Lenexa, KS 66214-1777 Website: www.hei-eng.com/ Phone: 913-742-5539 Contact: Mike Phillips

Email: mike.phillips@hendersonengineers.com

#### **Honda North America**

2400 Honda Parkway Marysville, OH 43040 Phone: 937-498-5000 Contact: Rick Paulus

#### **Honda North America**

227 Rutherford Avenue Delaware, OH 43015-1193 Phone:937-644-7882 Contact: Brian Zyskowski

Email: brian\_zyskowski@hna.honda.com

#### HR by the Hour

10836 County Road 2206 Tyler, Texas 75707 Website: www.rlwjobs.com Contact: Robert Wilson Email: rlw1@suddenlink.com

#### **Hydro Fire Services**

PO Box 130357 Tampa, Florida 33611 Phone: 813-442-6776 Contact: Charles Ben Toney

#### **HYT Corporation**

3498 Clayton Rd. Ste 101 Concord, California 94519 Phone: 925-681-2731 x12 FAX: 925-681-2733 Contact: Bret Tresidder

#### **Icon Fire Systems Design**

92-324 Pueonani Pl. Kapolei, Hawaii 96707 Phone: 808-672-7214 FAX: 808-672-7214 Thomas Burtness, Owner

#### **IFSC**

6820 Green Hollow Way Highland, Maryland 20777 Phone: 301-490-7803 FAX: 301-490-5607 Contact: Jaime Moncada Email: jam@ifsc.us

#### **International Code Consultants**

8207 Asmara Drive Austin, Texas 78750-7857 Tel: 512.795.2900 Contact: Jeffrey Shapiro, P.E.

#### **Jamtgaard Structural**

PO Box 1117 Chelan, WA 98816 Phone: 808-222-8585 Contact: Peter Jamtgaard Email: peter@jamtgaardse.com

#### Jason M. Scates, PE

1805 N. 2nd St., Suite 5274 Rogers, AR 72756-2423 Phone: 479-631-5274 Contact: Jason Scates

#### Jav R. Cravtor Fire Protection Engineering

PO Box 531 Kennesaw, GA 30156-0531 Website: www.JayCraytor.com Phone: 404-245-1844

Contact: Jay Craytor

Email: iav.craytor@fpe-usa.com

#### **JEM Design Group, LLC**

490 W. Rolling Meadows Suite C Fond Du Lac, WI 54937-8643

Phone: 920-238-9380 Contact: James Michels Email: jamesmichels@charter.net

#### Jensen Hughes

600 W. Fulton St. Suite 500 Chicago, IL 60661-1242 Phone: 312-879-7200

website: www.jensenhughes.com Contact: Craig Studer, V.P.

#### **Johnson Controls/TFPP**

1467 Elmwood Avenue Cranston, RI 02910-3849 Phone: 845-235-7088 Contact Name: Kacee Paige Email: kaceelpaige@gmail.com

#### **JW Fire Sprinkler Design**

5 Mezabish Pl. Unit 201 Monroe, New York 10950 Phone: 845-234-4599 Contact: Joel Werzberger

#### King Sprinkler Design

95 Wilson Ln., Tornado, WV 25202 Phone: 304-546-5443 Contact: Dwayne King, President

#### **Kohler Ronan Engineers**

93 Lake Ave., Danbury, CT 06810 Phone: 203-778-1017 FAX: 203-778-1018 Contact: Kevin Czarnecki

#### LaBella Associates, DPC

Senior Mechanical Engineer 105 North Tioga Street Suite 200 Ithaca, New York 14850 Phone: 607-533-4009

Contact: John Hewitt

#### Leo Daily

730 Second Avenue S Suite 1100 Minneapolis, MN 55402 Phone: 952-367-6910 Contact: Emily Gascho Email: eagascho@leoadaly.com

#### **Logan Township**

12 Caldwell Road Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 Website: www.logan-twp.org Phone: 856-816-0202 Contact: Joseph Tull Email: tullsr@gmail.com

#### **Lund Fire Protection, Inc.**

PO Box 459 Norwalk, Iowa 50211 Phone: 515-981-0912 Fax: 515-981-0913 Contact: Jonathan Lund

#### M T & A Fire Protection Consulting

23235 Interstate 30 S Bryant, AR 72022 Phone: 501-847-4500 FAX: 501-847-4501 Website: www.mtafire.com Contact: Kent Stewart, Max Trummel

#### Malek & Associates Consultants, Inc.

3560 S. Iowa Ave. St. Francis, Wisconsin 53235 Phone: 414-483-0100 FAX: 414-483-1211

Contact: David Malek, President

#### MCE International, Inc.

1360 Beretania St. Ste 400 Honolulu, HI 96814-1520 Phone: 808-941-0955 Contact: Paul Choi

#### MEP Associates, Inc.

2720 Arbor Court Ste A Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54701 Phone: 715-832-5680 Fax: 715-832-5668 Contact: Timothy Coach

#### Merck & Company, Inc.

PO Box 4 West Point, PA 19486 Phone: 215-652-6635 Contact: Dave Kerr

#### Meyers + Engineers

98 Battery Street Suite 502 San Francisco, CA 94111 Website: www.meyersplus.com Phone: 415-432-8125 Contact: Jindra Skala Email: jindra@meyersplus.com

#### MFP Design, LLC

3356 E Vallejo Court Gilbert, Arizona 85298 Phone: 480-505-9271 Fax: 866-430-6107 Contact: Travis Mack



#### MG Fire Design, Inc.

19511 Progress Drive, Suite 2 Strongsville, Ohio 44149 Phone: 440-878-9621 Fax: 440-878-3939

Contact: Mark G. Karr, President

Services: Fire System design service. Commercial, industrial, residential, retrofit, and limited area. NICET Level IV and State of Ohio certified. BIM coordination experienced. Design exclusively with the AutoSPRINK software. Alternate to Cecil Bilbo, Jr. on the NFPA Technical Committee on Sprinkler System Installation Criteria (AUT-SSI).

Michael Walters Fire Protection Design, LLC

8680 County Road 26 Jenera, Ohio 45841-8961 Phone: 419-722-2719

Contact: Michael Walters, Owner Email: mwfpd7@yahoo.com

Services: Fire Protection-sprinkler system design,

stock listing and consulting.

**Midwest Sprinkler Design** 

2801 Lincoln Ave. Ste B6 Evansville, IN 47714 Phone: 812-453-8648 FAX: 812-477-3366

Mile High Design Group, LLC

5151 Bannock St. Denver, Colorado 80216 Phone: 303-291-1012 Fax: 303-383-5023

Contact: Timothy N. Trostel, Jr., SET-President Services: Fire Sprinkler layout, design and consulting, all CAD design-3D design, NAVIS coordination, Hazen-Williams, Darcy-Weisbach formula calcs, stock listing, plan reviews.

MK Fire Protection & Supply, LLC

12749 Irelands Corner Drive Galena, Maryland 21635-1510 Phone: 856-816-5711 Contact: Barbara Baccile

Email: barb.baccile@mkfireprotection.com

**National Fire Control** 

2427 W. Lake Hazel Rd. Meridian, Idaho 83642 Phone: 208-284-5339 Fax: 866-807-5083 nationalfire@overarch.com Contact: Nick Anderson

Services: Fire sprinkler design, NICET Level IV.

**Neptune Fire Protection Engineering** 

60 Ocean Blvd. Ste 15 Atlantic Beach, Florida 32233 Phone: 904-652-4200 Fax: 904-212-0868

Contact: Stephen Kowkabany, Owner

Services: Design of fire sprinkler systems, fire alarm systems, site fire protection, smoke control systems, passive fire protection systems, life

safety and special hazard systems.

NFPA

1 Batterymarch Pk. Quincy, MA 02169 Phone: 617-984-7458 FAX: 617-984-7110

Contact: Christian Dubay, V.P. Codes & Standards

Norfire Design, Inc.

23802 Gaberdine Road Saint Augusta, MN 56301 Phone: 320-492-3941 Word: Eduard Meijer Email: emeijer@norfire.com

**Northeast Fire Systems** 

140 Union St. Vernon, Connecticut, 06066 Phone: 860-894-7447 Fax: 860-896-7448 Contact: William Cieslak

**Northwest Sprinkler Designs** 

3950 Palisades Park Billings, Montana Phone: 406-534-6726 Fax: 406-534-6727 Contact: Bryan Kendrick **Northwest Sprinkler Designs, LLC** 

18207 E. 10th Ave. Spokane Valley, WA 99016 Phone: 509-924-0520 Fax: 509-924-5348 Contact: Rene Gordon

**OLA Consulting Engineers** 

50 Broadway Suite 2

Hawthorne, New York 10532-1253

Phone: 914-919-3206 Contact: Christine DiSisto Email: cdisisto@olace.com

Paragon Fire Sprinkler Design

12403 SE 25th Pl. Bellevue, WA 98005 Phone: 425-643-0833 Fax: 425-643-0160

Contact: David Farahani, Owner

Peak Mechanical Solutions

191 Dupont Street, Brooklyn, NY 11222 Phone: 718-383-8314

Contact: Nithin Ninan Mathew Email: nithin@peak-mech.com

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#### **PGA Experts, Inc**

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Products/Services:
Fire Protection Consultant (sprinkler system, fire

#### Philip R. Sherman, P.E.

pumps, standpipe, special hazard)

PO Box 216
Elkins, New Hampshire 03233-0216
Phone: 603-526-6190
Contact: Philip R. Sherman P.E.,
Consulting Engineer
Email: psherman@prsherman.com
Services: Building code consulting and fire

#### Phiscon Enterprises, Inc.

protection engineering.

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## Sprinkler Industry to the Rescue Again

by Dave Lafond New England Regional Manager

#### "It's not what you know, it's who you know." So true.

hile at the 15th anniversary commemorative event for The Station Nightclub Fire in West Warwick, Rhode Island, I had the chance to talk with many local and national leaders associated with saving lives from the consequences

As we all recall, this horrific event occurred on Thursday, February 20, 2003, killing 100 people and injuring 230. The fire was caused by pyrotechnics set off by the tour manager of the evening's headlining band, Great White, which ignited plastic foam used as sound insulation in the walls and ceilings surrounding the stage. A fast-moving fire with intense black smoke engulfed the club in five and a half minutes. Video footage of the fire shows its ignition, rapid growth, the billowing smoke that quickly made escape impossible, and the exit blockage that further hindered evacuation. The toxic smoke, heat, and the resulting human crush toward the main exit resulted in these deaths and injuries. 132 people escaped uninjured. However, the emotional scarring is everlasting.

It was the fourth deadliest nightclub fire in U.S. history, and the second deadliest in New England, surpassed by the 1942 Coconut Grove Fire in Boston, which resulted in 492 deaths.

Prior to the formal speaking affair, Amy Acton, Executive Director of the Phoenix Society for Burn Survivors, was talking to me about the plight of Joe Kinan, who is trying his hardest to have fire sprinkler protection in the new home he is having built for his family.

Joe's new home was well on its way, and the window of opportunity to include the sprinklers was closing rapidly due to financial banking and construction time table issues. Amy Acton



This is Joe's story as taken from his website:

"I'm Joe Kinan. On February 20th, 2003, while enjoying a rock concert with a girlfriend, Karla, at the Station Nightclub in Rhode Island, a special effects malfunction caused a fire to break out. Pyro-techniques on the stage ignited a curtain, and then instantly engulfed the ceiling and walls. The club had been sound proofed using petroleum-based foam, which was highly flammable.

The nightclub was way over capacity. Realizing quickly



what was going on I made my way from near the front row to the nearest exit. To protect Karla, I placed my leather vest

Everyone quickly stampeded to the doors causing a wave of people pushing each other down and trampling one another. As we made it towards the exit people fell in front of me and then on top of me. Karla suffocated and did not survive, but she was not burned.

I was trapped and conscious throughout the entire ordeal. I could hear everything going on around me. The sounds of yelling were quite loud. Then it grew quieter and quieter. Then it was just me. Next, I heard the voice of a firefighter, "we've got one over here."

I was placed on a stretcher and rushed to the nearest hospital. Once I awoke from my coma I immediately understood and accepted what was going on.

I spent the next 50 weeks in the hospital. Even after I was released for a few weeks, at the end of the day I would feel as if I needed to go home to the hospital. To this day it is one of the most comfortable and relaxing places for me.

To date I have had 122 tune-ups (surgeries) and counting. (Author's note, he has had more surgeries since this story was published) I will continue to have surgeries for the rest of my life.

This experience has taught me I am a tenacious individual and I persevere each day.

I am building this website as an outlet to create awareness and let people know that it is possible to have everything you are familiar with and take for granted change in an instance. I have had to re-learn and figure out almost everything. When I think back on my definition of a bad

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day prior to the catastrophe I realize how much we all take for granted.

I would like to raise understanding and compassion for burn survivors like myself."

Since this story was first published, Joe met his future partner, Carrie, at a Phoenix Society World Burn Conference and the two have become inseparable and blessed with new life with their baby girl.



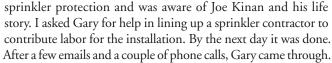
When the commemorative event was finished all attendees had their picture taken holding a fire sprinkler. Joe is the one in the picture holding his sprinkler higher than others. He has sunglasses and a top hat on.



After this I quickly went over and introduced myself to Joe's family including his beautiful little daughter who had a red plastic fire helmet full of fire sprinklers she had collected. So, you tell me, does Joe and his family deserve to have the most effective, efficient and fastest fire protection technology available today in his new home? You bet!

I and Bill Wian from Viking SupplyNet, talked about how we could get this project completed for the Kinans at no cost to them. My first call was to FM Global's **Gary Keith**.

Among other accomplishments, Gary is a Board Member of the Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition and very well versed on home fire



Michael Payton of Yankee Sprinkler was on board. He simply said to me, "Dave it's the right thing to do." As luck would have it, Yankee Sprinkler is in East Bridgewater, Massachusetts and a short distance from Lakeville, where the Kinan's home is being built. In addition, Yankee Sprinkler has a great track record of sponsoring many area organizations with charitable contributions. Yankee Sprinkler understands giving back to where they live and work.

Next on the action item list was materials. A short phone call to NFSA President Shane Ray was all that was needed. NFSA member Prashant Kulkarni, who is the Director of Engineering and Site Leader of Building Technologies and Solutions for Johnson Controls in Cranston, Rhode Island, was on board and committed to providing all materials, including purchasing a home hydrant system.

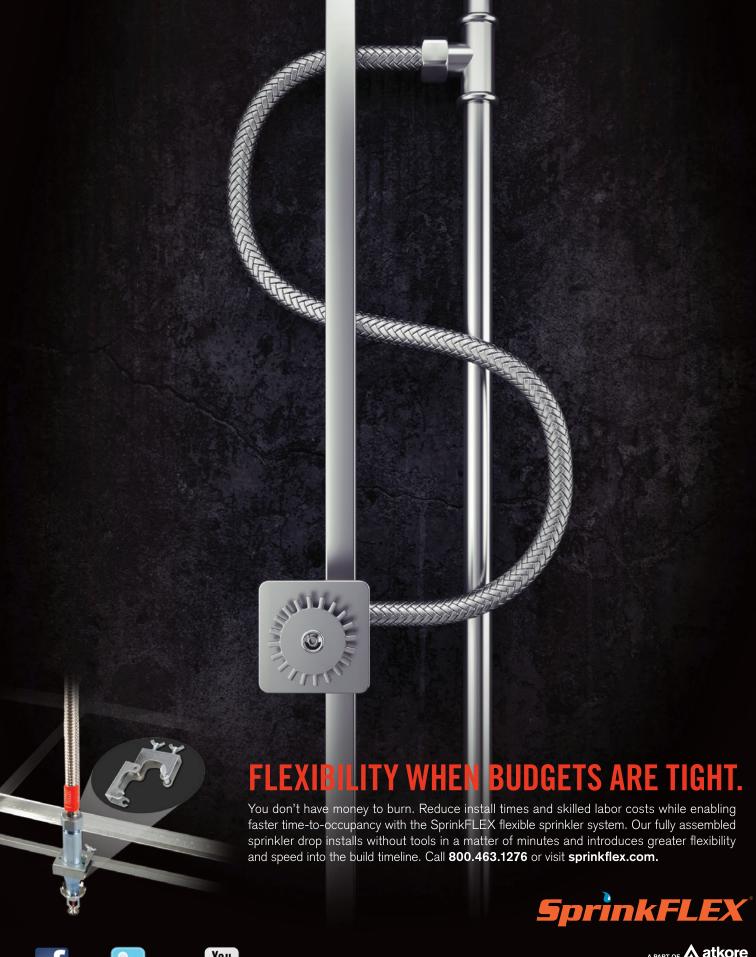
# "Nobody does it better than the Fire Sprinkler Industry."

Next up was locating a sprinkler design professional. A call into Boston-NFSA Chapter member Paul Ramponi, Operations Manager for Johnson Controls in Canton, Massachusetts did the trick. Working with his Boston Chapter member, Nicole O'Connell, Fire Sprinkler Design IV, a CAD was developed, and a materials list generated. Bear in mind that all these folks from the sprinkler industry are extremely busy with other projects and to have them put this project as a priority is truly commendable.

Last call out for help was to NFSA member Ferguson Fire and Fabrication. Tom Holmes was the local contact in Massachusetts that put me in touch with past CT-NFSA Chapter Board member Brian Kaplan, who now works out of the Warrington, Pennsylvania office. Ferguson Fire and Fabrication would be supplying and delivering the tank and pump system to the home.

By way of history, I have been involved with other similar charitable projects and have always called NFSA member Gary Ike from TALCO Fire Systems in Portland, Oregon. Gary has never said no to providing his company's home hydrant system. This time, we had Johnson Controls providing for the purchase of the system and as Mike Payton has said earlier, "it's the right thing to do." It was the right thing to do, to be able to give back something to Gary Ike and TALCO for their donations of many other units in the past five years. TALCO supplied the tank and pump system to Ferguson.

So, there you have it. "Nobody does it better than the Fire Sprinkler Industry." Relationships and networking are critical and it's so important to keep them sustained and nurtured. •

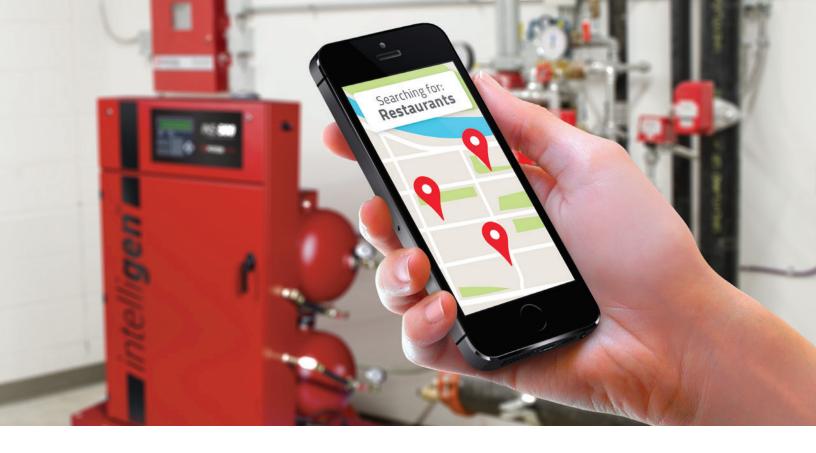












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### **Eighth Time is the Charm**

by Bill Webb

hat happens when the third time is not the charm? I suppose it all depends on the issue and whether you have the fire in your belly to try, try again. Okay, enough of the clichés. Instead, I want to write about an important issue that faced the fire service back in 2003 and how a number of fire organizations remained committed to the issue until we finally prevailed 15 years later.

I have spent the last 33 years in Washington, D.C., working directly and indirectly with members of Congress. During that time, I have seldom seen them, and a constituency, remain committed to an issue for that long. That is, until Congressman Jim Langevin of Rhode Island introduced the Fire Sprinkler Incentive Act.

We all recall the tragic fire that occurred on February 20, 2003 at the Station Nightclub in West Warwick, Rhode Island. Over 500 people were crammed into the club to hear the Great White band perform. The pyrotechnics set off a fire that within two minutes turned the club into an inferno, claiming the lives of 100 victims and injuring many more. If only the Station Nightclub had automatic fire sprinklers. But it didn't.

Within 48 hours of the fire, representatives of various national fire service organizations convened a meeting to discuss the tragedy and how we could encourage members of Congress to take some action to prevent similar tragedies from occurring again. Codes and standards are implemented and enforced at the local and state levels, so we had to develop an idea that would fall under the federal purview. After much discussion, we decided on a proposal to establish an economic incentive that would allow businesses to retrofit their properties with automatic fire sprinklers. This idea was transformed into the Fire Sprinkler Incentive Act.

Congressman Jim Langevin didn't hesitate when we presented him the idea of the Fire Sprinkler Incentive Act; he immediately agreed to champion the legislation. The Station Nightclub was in his congressional district and many of the victims were his constituents.

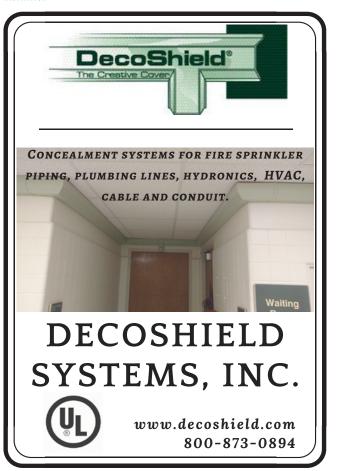
For 15 years, Congressman Langevin and fire organizations worked together on this issue. When a new Congress was convened, the Congressman would reintroduce the measure and our organizations would once again search for co-sponsors. The bill was eventually introduced in eight different legislative sessions.

Major provisions of the Fire Sprinkler Incentive Act were included in the tax bill signed into law by the President in December. It will allow certain businesses to expense the cost of fire sprinkler systems to retrofit their structures. The National Fire Sprinkler Association (NFSA) deserves so much of the credit for keeping us in the fight, year after year. Now that Congress created the incentive,

we need to get the word out for businesses to take advantage of it; otherwise, our 15-year effort will be for naught.

NFSA has important information on their website explaining the incentives. I would encourage you to read the information and share it with businesses in your communities that would qualify. You can download these resources by visiting https://nfsa.org/taxreform/. On February 20, 2018, a remembrance ceremony was conducted at the Station Nightclub memorial to honor the victims and the survivors. For me, it was one of the most meaningful experiences in my career at CFSI as my peers and I were able to say to the families and friends of the victims who attended that we had not forgotten their losses, nor did we ever lose the will to keep fighting the battle on Capitol Hill until we prevailed.

Bill Webb is the. Executive Director of the Congressional Fire Services Institute.





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## "Life is a daring adventure or nothing at all"—Helen Keller

by Vince Powers, NFSA's ITM Specialist



I am proud to say that I am the new Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance Specialist with the National Fire Sprinkler Association. I believe this will be a position that demands dedication and perseverance and I will do my dead level best to ensure that I complete all tasks with a great attitude and integrity. I have been in the fire protection industry for just over 20 years and have been involved in just about

every area that this industry has to offer. After high school, I immediately joined the Navy as a Gunner's Mate. I began in the fire protection industry in 1998, where I was utilized in multiple departments assisting where I was needed, and eventually found my home in the Inspection Department. A few years later, I was promoted to Inspection Manager and continued to help the almost non-existent Inspection Department grow into a thriving and profitable department. I had an opportunity to move into sales, as well as start a Special Hazard Division. For the next six years, I remained in sales. I remained involved with the Inspection Department to some degree, usually providing training or technical assistance. I then moved back into a service and inspection management position which ultimately led me to this position with the NFSA. Some of my career highlights include current NICET certifications in Special Hazards, Fire Alarm, Inspection and Testing of Water-Based Sprinkler Systems, and Sprinkler Layout. I was also an instructor for third- and fourth-year sprinkler apprentices, and I assisted in writing and reviewing questions for NICET when transitioning from written to computer-based testing in all three levels of ITM and two levels of Special Hazards.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my journey in this industry and now I am eager to start a new chapter where I hope to help others understand the importance and acceptance of sprinkler systems, specifically the importance of inspection, testing, and maintenance of these systems.





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The September/October issue of *NFSM* debuts a new theme this year. It's our **Member Take-over** issue. That's right, this is your chance to contribute articles, opinions, photos and more! We'll feature our members from cover to cover,

and we're leaving the subject matter up to you.

Do you have a "fire story" to tell? Have you had a personal experience that drove you to join the fire sprinkler industry? What challenges are you facing in the industry? What has your company done to support and promote the life- and property-saving benefits of fire sprinklers? Done a side-by-side burn demo recently? We'd love to have the photos to use! Have a job that was especially rewarding or challenging? We'd love a little "show and tell". Do you have a great employee you'd like to showcase? This issue is the perfect opportunity for you to give "props" to those who are assets to your business.

We'd also like to feature our members in action on the cover. Send us high resolution jpegs that we can use that showcase what you do best. Don't miss this chance to connect with fellow NFSA members in an up close and personal way. We'd love a collection of all member types to feature, so come on SAMs, Manufacturers, Professionals and Subscribers, let's see what you've got and let's get it on the cover!

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Article submission guidelines are available on the back page of every issue of the magazine. *To get in on this great opportunity, please submit materials by July 9th.* Materials should be submitted to me at genadio@nfsa.org. Please do not imbed images in the email or in documents. Images should be sent as separate attachments, or, if a large file, through a file sharing service.

Please let me know if you have any questions at all. Team NFSA is especially excited about this great member opportunity. We're looking for participation from all of our members. The success of this issue will determine whether we make this a standard and repeat in coming years. We'd love to showcase our members in this way again!

Everyone and every company has a story to tell. Make this opportunity your way of personally connecting with fellow members. NFSA members are part of a large, extended family. Let's get to know each other in ways we haven't before. We look forward to hearing your stories! Thank you!•



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#### **WISCONSIN**

## NFSA President Shane Ray and Wisconsin State Coordinator Marty King Close Out Wisconsin Fire Chiefs Conference

NFSA President Shane Ray and State Coordinator Marty King had the opportunity to close out this year's Wisconsin Fire Chiefs Education Association's spring conference. The presentation started with an overview of Community Risk Reduction followed by information about fighting fires in fire sprinklered buildings. This presentation capped the three-day conference attended by fire chiefs from across Wisconsin.

#### **Northwest**

## President Shane Ray to Join Puget Sound and Columbia-Willamette Chapters for Summer Dinner Meeting

The Puget Sound and Columbia-Willamette NFSA Chapters will welcome a visit from NFSA President Shane Ray for their annual summer dinner meeting in early June. Please contact Northwest Regional Manager Suzanne Mayr at mayr@nfsa.org for more information.



When Casey the Fire Dog visits an event, he posts a quiz on his Facebook page. Regional Manager Suzanne Mayr assists Casey with a video-tape answer to a question about fire sprinkler myths at the Oregon Fire Marshal Association training conference. Casey knows a bit about fire sprinklers he and his handler, Eugene-Springfield Assistant Fire Marshal Amy Linder, are having fire sprinklers voluntarily installed in their home.

#### **Maryland**



inspectors and chapter members gather to witness the sideby-side burn demonstration, many for the first time.



President Ray takes a photo with the crew from Prince George's County, Maryland after they put out the fire.



Nearly one hundred attendees hear about NFPA 3 and 4 from NFPA's Jacqueline Wilmot, P.E.





The moment that water from the fire house contacts the fire demonstrates the power of a fire left unchecked by fire sprinklers.

Rich Kozel leads a discussion with the inspectors before heading outside for the side-byside burn. Rich has organized these training events on behalf of CRFSA as a benefit to inspectors and contractors alike.



#### National Fire Sprinkler Announces 4 New Team Members

The National Fire Sprinkler Association is proud to announce four new hires. The positions of Director of Operations, Director of Field Operations, ITM Specialist, and Field Service Coordinator have been filled.

"Building our team has been a priority within our Transition Management Plan and the relocation of our headquarters to Maryland," explained Shane Ray, NFSA President. "Our NFSA team is focused on member service and supporting our vision, mission, and values. Each of these individuals will be great additions to Team NFSA."

**Director of Operations is Chief Dennis Wood**, a Maryland native who joins NFSA from a career within the Prince Georges County Fire Department. Wood began work on April 2, 2018, at the headquarters location in Linthicum Heights.

Wood most recently served as the Deputy Fire Chief of the Emergency Services Command, retiring after 23 years of service. He has experiences in guiding operations, community risk reduction, capital improvement project management, budgeting, performance measurement, hiring and promotion processes, career development, hazardous materials, training and fire prevention and code enforcement.

His combination of experiences and education has led to being published in trade magazines and he has lectured extensively on many facets of emergency services at local, regional, state and national conferences.

Director of Field Operations is Chief Gary West, a Tennessee native who leaves his most recent post as Deputy Commissioner, Department of Commerce and Insurance for the State of Tennessee, serving as Tennessee State Fire Marshal. West also began work on April 2, 2018, with his home office in Tennessee being his primary station. However, West will travel nation-wide as the leader of the NFSA Field Operations team.

West brings many years of local, municipal, and state government experience to the role of Director of Field Operations which will prove valuable as he leads the NFSA personnel in Field Operations. These experiences span from local county and city issues, to state and national, which makes him the right person for this position. His experience with education focused on community risk reduction will be a perfect fit for the team, and his strong customer service skills combined with a strong work ethic will be an added bonus for those in the field serving NFSA members across the nation.

**Our ITM Specialist is Vince Powers**, who brings 20 years of experience with fire sprinkler contractors focused on inspection, testing and maintenance. Powers most recent work was with Castle Sprinkler and Alarm in Maryland.

Field Service Coordinator is Terin Hopkins, who brings over

35-years' experience as a local Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ), most recently with Howard County Maryland Department of Fire & Rescue Services – Office of the Fire Marshal. Prior to that, Hopkins was with Prince George's County Maryland Fire/EMS Department.

"As newly elected Chair of the NFSA Board, it's exciting to see the momentum that this association is creating within the fire sprinkler industry," added Kent Mezaros, NFSA Board Chair. "The energy and the focus of the respective departments within NFSA are making a difference to members, and also helping us create not only a stronger industry, but a safer world."•



Larry Thau, NFSA Board Chair from 2014-2018 pauses along San Antonio's Riverwalk with his wife Margaret. The San Antonio board meeting was his last as Chair, however, he will continue to serve on the board.

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A recent Capital Region Chapter Meeting featured a side-by-side burn. NFSA President Shane Ray narrated the burn, which saw the room with fire sprinklers have the fire contained with ease with one fire sprinkler... while the non-sprinklered side reached flashover in 3 minutes 30 seconds.



Saluting The Fire Chief

I am a strong supporter of home fire sprinklers as a critical component of protecting my family and others who visit our home. Residential fire sprinklers, combined with working smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, can give a person a lot of confidence that they have taken some important steps (from an engineering standpoint) to prevent a significant fire in their home, and to escape alive should a fire occur.

In 1999, Sheri and I decided to put our money where my mouth was regarding our feelings about home safety. We installed a fire sprinkler system in our new home in Mesa, Arizona — where I served as the Fire Chief for six years. I just couldn't reconcile the contradiction of being an official advocate for fire sprinklers whenever I, or the fire department, dealt with the public on fire safety...yet not live in a home that was equipped with fire sprinklers. Whenever I have been asked by the media, public officials, or even the general public, "if fire sprinklers are so important Chief, do you have them in your own home"? To this day, it is nice to be able to say, "yes...we do, and have for many years". Even when our daughter bought her first home, Sheri and I had a home fire sprinkler system installed during construction as a housewarming gift (2,900 square feet - \$3,100.00).



Fire Chief Dennis Compton

Having served as the Chairman of the Board of the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation (NFFF) for the past ten years, I have also been a vocal and visible advocate for the Sixteen

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Life Safety Initiatives<sup>TM</sup> and the Everyone Goes Home Program<sup>TM</sup> while in that capacity. Initiative 14 addresses

Public Education and Initiative 15 addresses Code Enforcement and Fire Sprinklers. Sheri and I have tried
to lead by example when it comes to addressing these critical issues where we live. I can't tell you the
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## SPRINKLING OF NEWS

## Viking Group Announces Reorganization of U.S. Sales and Business Development Functions

The Viking Group has announced a realignment of its Viking SupplyNet sales organization into three primary regions – East, Central, and West. With this reorganization, as well as the creation of a new Business Development team, the company is pleased to announce several staff changes, which are effective immediately.

The sales function for the new East region, which encompasses Viking SupplyNet's previous Northeast and Southeast regions, will be directed by Randy Lane, who has been promoted to the role of Regional Sales Manager. With this move, Ted Collazo has assumed the position of Territory Sales Manager for North Florida.

Viking SupplyNet's new Central region includes the former Midwest region, as well as Texas and Oklahoma. Tom Bowers, who has served as Viking SupplyNet's Regional Sales Manager in the Midwest Region since 2004, will continue in this role and now manage the expanded Central Region.

Viking SupplyNet's sales team in the West region, which remains unchanged, will continue to be managed by Jeff Hill, as Regional Sales Manager. With the sales reorganization, both Chris Sharp and Jeff Graham will continue to serve in pivotal sales roles for Viking SupplyNet.

Additionally, Viking has announced the formation of a new Business Development team, which will align with the reorganized sales regions. The new Business Development function, which will be managed by Martin Workman, will include James Dooley in the East region, Gregg Vlahakis in the West, and Ken Brown, who joined Viking in November 2017, in the Central region. Concurrent with these changes, Bryan Berkley has also been promoted to the role of Senior Technical Representative for the East region.

This reorganization of the company's sales and business development functions will facilitate improved sales coverage and service for Viking SupplyNet customers and business partners across the United States, and effectively support the market growth anticipated in the coming months.

For more information, please visit www.vikinggroupinc.com or call 800-968-9501.

#### Engineered Corrosion Solutions, LLC and Potter Electric Signal Co., LLC Reach License Agreement

Engineered Corrosion Solutions and Potter Electric Signal Company announce a license agreement for Potter to practice the use of ECS patents 9,186,533 and 9,144,700, which disclose the use of a nitrogen generator with a vent on dry pipe and preaction fire sprinkler systems.

The nitrogen generator can be used in place of a conventional air compressor for pressurizing the piping network with nitrogen and

maintaining a "supervisory" or system pressure until the sprinkler system is actuated (e.g., by fire). The vent allows gas, in particular, oxygen, displaced by the nitrogen, to exit the piping network while maintaining the system pressure. The nitrogen generator combined with the vent removes trapped air and decreases the concentration of oxygen in the piping network to inhibit corrosion, including microbiologically influenced corrosion ("MIC") and oxygen cell corrosion.

The agreement allows for Potter to practice the ECS Invention moving forward pursuant to a royalty-bearing license.

## Tyco<sup>®</sup> EG-25 Sprinkler Guard from Johnson Controls is first listed guard to meet FM Global design guidelines

Johnson Controls announces that its Tyco® EG-25 Sprinkler

Guard is the first FM-approved guard on the market to meet FM Global design guidelines and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) requirements for using a listed guard in areas where sprinklers are exposed to potential damage.

The new sprinkler guard is designed for use with TYCO ESFR-25 pendent sprinklers. These sprinklers provide suppression load performance with ceiling-



only fire protection for a wide variety of commodities and storage arrangements, enabling building owners to lease to the widest range of occupiers. When used in in-rack applications, such as the FM Global design guidelines, the ESFR-25 can be combined with the EG-25 guard to help protect the sprinkler from damage that is common to in-rack sprinklers.

The guard's welded assembly is fabricated from carbon steel, providing protection from mechanical and/or physical damage, including the installation of rack storage sprinklers. The guard does not require any regularly scheduled maintenance; however, proper installation of the EG-25 should be verified during the annual visual inspection of the sprinkler.

To learn more about the EG-25 Sprinkler Guard and Tyco fire sprinkler solutions visit http://www.tyco-fire.com/. For questions or support, contact Tyco technical services at 1-800-381-9312.

#### CST Industries Advances Potable Water Tank and Fire Water Tank Inspections with New Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) Service

CST Industries, formerly Columbian TecTank®, has launched a new remotely operated vehicle (ROV) for potable water and fire water tank inspection service that offers clients the option of using

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ROV's to inspect their water tanks. Potable water tank inspections must be carried out periodically to mitigate health risks to municipal and industrial facilities that require their use. This NDT Visual Inspection Process is applicable to meet several industry standards including NFPA 25, as well as local and regional jurisdictional requirements and is the perfect solution for evaluating coating integrity and protecting the life of the tank.

Typically, water tanks are taken out of service to be emptied and inspected directly by personnel, a process which can be hazardous, costly and time consuming, and sometimes taking several days. CST's new service allows clients to instead utilize a sanitized ROV, which removes the need to drain and refill the tank, mitigates risks to personnel and can ensure that tanks are not removed out of service. When evidence of corrosion is detected, CST can make treatment recommendations, repairs and patch recoating or facilitate a complete tank refurbishment when needed. All data is backed by an inspection video and associated reports.

CST also offers turnkey repair and modification services along with customer OEM replacement parts providing a single-source service to its customers. CST has 125 years' experience in the tank industry, with experienced tank crews to service any bolted or welded tank world-wide.

#### **Chicago Backflow Celebrates 25 Years**

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Chicago Backflow is dedicated to protecting your drinking water and serving all your backflow needs for many more years to come.

#### Johnson Controls Launches Autocall™ Brand of Fire Detection Systems

Johnson Controls introduces Autocall<sup>TM</sup>, a brand of fire detection systems that combines advanced technology with proven performance to help ensure customers and their facilities are safe

With a full range of control panels and the industry's latest addressable technology, Autocall systems are flexible enough to meet the unique challenges of nearly any project. Powerful networking capabilities allow Autocall to take on projects ranging in size from a simple office building to complex, multi-facility campuses. The Autocall Truesite Workstation, a PC-based graphical command center, simplifies system monitoring and puts management of your entire system at your fingertips. Its high-resolution graphical display shows the locations of events on both a campus-wide map and individual building floor plans. All key features and functionality of the TrueSite Workstation are available on Apple or Android mobile devices with the Autocall Mobile Client app.

Autocall systems feature some of the latest and most advanced fire detection technology available today. Solutions like revolutionary self-testing, addressable notification appliances can help ensure your system is in peak operating condition while virtually eliminating disruption from notification appliance testing. Compact and highly efficient LED notification appliances meet the latest NFPA requirements and Autocall speakers have the clarity to get the message out during an emergency and play background music during normal operations.

The Autocall brand offers comprehensive training, along with easily accessible 24/7 technical and application support. Systems also meet local building codes, and Autocall control panels have all the necessary agency approvals.

Autocall products will be available for purchase and shipment through a network of highly qualified authorized distributors beginning January 2018. To learn more, visit www.autocall.com.

#### **Redefining Sprinkler Installation: Victaulic** FireLock™ IGS Style V9 Coupling

Victaulic's FireLock™ IGS Style V9 is the first FM-Approved and UL-Listed coupling to redefine sprinkler installation in exposed applications by connecting IGS grooved sprinkler heads and outlets. The combination of the Style V9 Coupling captured onto an IGS grooved end sprinkler provides superior out-of-the-box ease in sprinkler system installations and modifications for a wide variety of commodities and storage arrangements, including distribution centers and warehouses. The Style V9 is the first to standardize the 1" outlet since it can be used to connect sprinklers of any size. The innovative coupling has one-bolt, is captured onto the sprinkler and can be used in conjunction with 1" IGS No. 142 welded outlets, Style 922 Outlet-T's and Style 920N Mechanical-T outlets. The Style V9 incorporates Installation-Ready<sup>TM</sup> technology, enabling fitters to eliminate prep-work on the ground and the consumables like PTFE tape or thread sealant that go along with the installation process. Importantly, the Style V9 can be visually inspected to confirm proper installation by checking for metal pad-to-pad contact, eliminates stress and torque requirements on the sprinkler during installation and gets rid of sprinkler wrenches needed for each sprinkler style. •



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#### **New England Region**

DAVE LAFOND Regional Manager

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Editor's note: The following is an Op Ed piece by New England Regional Manger Dave Lafond, published on the MassLive website.

#### Fire sprinklers buy time and could save a life

Recently, a tragic fire in Springfield claimed the lives of three people, injured four others and left many others emotionally scarred. Unfortunately, tragic events like this happen every day, with a fire claiming the life of seven people each day across the United States. Fire does not discriminate and can strike at any time and in any type of home. Working smoke detectors and properly installed and maintained fire sprinklers can help prevent tragedies like these from occurring.

Fire sprinklers are the only known technology that could have prevented this tragedy. They are proven and there has never been a multiple fire fatality in a building that had a properly maintained and operating fire sprinkler system.

Fire spread is rapid and is intensified by modern furnishings, leaving very little time to escape a burning structure. In fact, we have three minutes or less to escape before flashover occurs. This was demonstrated once again by this recent heart-breaking event.

What disturbs me however are the comments from the Western Massachusetts Homebuilders and Remodelers Association, Interim Executive Director, Andrew Crane. In comments published by 22News, he speaks of "blocks that resist fire from shooting up gaps in walls between the sheetrock and the studs and multiple layers of floor systems then walls". He also states that "single family homeowners can get fire suppression systems installed, but at \$8,000 for the average home, it's costly. Those systems also need to be inspected annually." Please note that home fire sprinkler systems are not required to be inspected annually.

Fire blocks would not have made a difference in this fire, as it did flashover and extended out the second-floor window and up into the open hallway, as stated by the Springfield Fire Commissioner. If fire sprinklers were present, the outcome would have been changed.

I find it despicable that the Executive Director of the West Mass Homebuilders Association would use this horrific event to further the agenda of the National Association of Homebuilders. In some new homes it might cost \$8,000 for fire sprinklers. It depends on the size of the home. Mr. Crane is suggesting that it is too costly to install them, and therefore deciding for the new homeowner. If the cost was \$8,000, it is factored into the 30-year mortgage

and results in approximately less than \$25 per month. This is no different than any other upgrade such as hardwood floors, granite countertops or entertainment center rooms.

The national Institute on Money in State Politics has said that the housing industry spent more than \$517 million in state politics over the last decade to ensure fire sprinklers are not included in the State Building Code process. Further, the Joint Center for Housing Studies of Harvard University estimates the value of the home remodeling business in 2015 to be at \$340 billion. While it is unclear how much of this is attributed to rebuilding/remodeling after a fire, connect the dots and you will come to the same conclusion as me. Profit over lives.\*

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#### **New York Region**

DOMINICK KASMAUSKAS
Regional Manager

NEW YORK

#### New York Governor's Desire to Raise New York State M/WBE

The construction industry in New York State is battling budget bills S7805A and A9805A Budget Part Q proposed by the governor to unrealistically raise the M/WBE goals to over 50% by using these budget bills. The present goals (22.75% by statute) are already circumvented by his executive action to be at least 30%.

A flawed 2016 Disparity Study is being used as evidence as the basis for this increase, yet the study does not prove its own case. With the volume of waivers presently being sought, it's obvious that there is not already 50% of the construction firms registered as M/WBE in New York State.

NFSA Regional Manager Dominick Kasmauskas is in communication with the NFSA Empire Chapter lobby group, the New York Fire Sprinkler Contractors' Assn., the New York City MCA Fire Sprinkler Council, and other construction related associations present in New York State, all in opposition to these Bills. The industry is certainly not against an M/WBE program or revising present statute. What is desired is open discussion with the State and the construction industry after a factual and transparent study is completed first. Then having realistic proposals and goals based on facts for any changes that may be needed for M/WBE in New York State.

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#### **New York State Water-based Licensure Bills**

S5684 and A2595 water-based fire protection contractor license bills are still in play, but as of this writing are on the back burner due to the annual budget process in Albany. S5684 recently moved to the Senate Finance Committee, but A2595 is still only "introduced" to the Assembly.

The NFSA Empire Chapter is in the planning stages for a Lobby Day in Albany for fire sprinkler representatives to "walk the halls" and meet their legislators. The Chapter lobby firm and the Chapter board will be arranging dates and key legislators to visit.

#### **NFSA Empire Chapter Events**

Stay tuned for info on attending and sponsorships for the Annual Empire Chapter Golf Outing, which is being planned for June in Putnam County.

The NFSA Empire Chapter's Night with the Vendors and a Day at the Races is being planned for early August.

#### **Putnam County Mechanical Licensing Board**

NFSA Regional Manager Dominick Kasmauskas and the Putnam County Mechanical Licensing Board are discussing NICET language in the Board's updated License requirements for installation of water-based fire protection systems. The targeted points that are being proposed are a NICET III in layout being on staff of



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any installation contractor and a NICET II in inspections for any contractor performing ITM. Language was hammered out, but as of this writing there has not been a proposal to the county legislators to make the changes to the existing licensing requirements for fire protection installers.

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#### **Mid-Atlantic Region**

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#### **Pennsylvania State Water-based Licensure**

HB 670 for the licensing of fire sprinkler contractors and inspectors is still in the Professional Licensure committee's hands and NFSA Regional Manager Dominick Kasmauskas does not sense a lot of support by the chair or other legislators in taking this bill up any time soon to move out of committee. Kasmauskas noted, "several contractors agree we need licensure in the Commonwealth, but feel the language can be better". Kasmauskas is seeking to develop a State Licensure Committee and prepare for the 2019-2020 session.

#### **Pittsburgh Licensing Board**

NFSA Regional Manager Dominick Kasmauskas was in attendance of a recent informational meeting along with several area fire sprinkler contractors and Local 542 to learn more about the city seeking to enact an "Installers License". The proposal is for the installation company of "fire suppression systems" (it is waterbased systems) will have to have a person in their employ who is a certificate holder of the ICC's Fire Suppression Installer examination. All entities seem to be in support of this action, however the NFSA has some concern about the ease of the exam materials, the title being "fire suppression" rather than "fire sprinkler" or better yet, "water-based fire protection" installer, and certain editions of standards that are referenced including some incorrect years and missing water-based fire protection standards from the list. Administration of the exams by ICC will begin July 1 and the link to register or for more information is; http://bit.ly/iccexam.

#### **NFSA Seminars in the Works**

NFSA Regional Manager Dominick Kasmauskas has discussed arranging seminars in the Pittsburgh and Harrisburg areas with several members possibly for June as of this writing. Scheduled in the Pittsburgh area are the "NFPA 13, Chapter 8", "Hydraulics",

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and "Pumps for Fire Protection". In Harrisburg are the NFSA seminars, "Introduction to Fire Sprinkler Systems, Fire Pumps, and Standpipes", "Hydraulics", and "Understanding, Applying, Enforcing NFPA25". Visit NFSA.org for more information and to register by clicking on the Training & Events icon.

- August 28th, TBD, University of Maryland
- · October 23rd, Lunch, TBD
- Tent. December 11th, TBD, TBD
- February 26th, 2019, 3-5 p.m. TBD

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#### **Maryland Region**

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#### **Chapter Meetings and Training**

The Capital Region Fire Sprinkler Association completed another successful training event for nearly one hundred fire marshals, fire inspectors, and other fire officials form all over the state. These events have been a remarkable success due to the leadership of Richard Kozel, Livingston Fire Protection, Terry Victor, Grinnell Fire Protection Solutions, and the Maryland State Fire Marshal, Chief Brian Geraci. The chapter sponsors lunch, and thanks to the generosity of a local AHJ, our meeting space is given free of charge. The topics of training vary and are not always explicitly sprinkler related, but the events have exciting potential to allow contractors and fire officials to enjoy a shared learning environment.

Following the training, the chapter met to discuss business, elect officers, and finalize the calendar for 2018/early 2019. We are grateful to our officers and committee chairs for 2018 which are:

Chair: Terry Victor, Grinnell Fire Protection Solutions

Vice Chair: Robert Gagnon, Gagnon Engineering

Secretary: Chris Hayward, Victaulic

Treasurer: **Dan Bentzen**, EBL Engineering

Promotion & Public Awareness: Terin Hopkins, Howard County

Membership: **Dennis Wech**, *JCI* 

Education & Training: Rich Kozel, Livingston Fire Protection

Legislative, Caleb Armbrust, NFSA

Finance: Dance Bentzen, EBL Engineers

ITM: Vince Powers, NFSA

#### The meeting dates of the Capital Region Fire Sprinkler Association are:

- April 24th, 3-5 p.m. NFSA HQ with cookout to follow
- June 26th, 3-5 p.m. TBD



#### **Southeast Region**

WAYNE WAGGONER Regional Manager

ALABAMA, GEORGIA, MISSISSIPPI, NORTH CAROLINA, SOUTH CAROLINA, TENNESSEE

#### City of Manchester, Tennessee Looks to Rescind Two Fire Code Appendices

The City of Manchester Board of Mayor and Aldermen reluctantly moved along a first reading pertaining to International Fire Codes appendices in hopes of coming to a compromise.

There were a lot of city officials involved in the conversation during the February 6th meeting.

Aldermen passed an ordinance sponsored by Vice Mayor Ryan French to amend city ordinance No. 1544 rescinding the adoption of appendices B and C of the 2012 edition of the International Fire Code (IFC).

Appendix B provides a tool for a governmental unit in establishing a policy for determining fire-flow requirements in accordance with IFC codes. Fire Chief George Chambers said the current policy is 1,500 gallons per minute for an hour when fighting a fire of a home.

Appendix C focuses on the location and spacing of fire hydrants in the area. Chambers said the current spacing is approximately 500 feet on average, but others want to change it to 1,000 feet.

"If you do away with the standards, you have no standards to follow," Chambers said. "It puts my firefighters in more danger and I don't think it is good for the city of Manchester."

Chambers explained that if the minimum fire flow is not met, this will affect the Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating for the city of Manchester in the future. ISO was formed in 1971 as an advisory and rating organization for the property/casualty insurance industry to provide statistical and actuarial services, to develop insurance programs, and to assist insurance companies in meeting state-regulatory requirements. The fire chief said the rating for Manchester has gone from a 6 to a 3 rating over the years – the lower number is actually better.

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Health and Codes Director Jamie Sain said at the meeting that he has been bombarded by developers about the codes. Sain said he talked with area directors and their standard is 1,000 feet for the placement of fire hydrants. He also noted no other cities in the area have a 1,500 gallons per minute flow rate figure in their policies. Sain said the city is "above" what is required by state building codes. Engineer Scott St. John also weighed in with his concerns at the meeting. He also said there is a concern from developers because the 1,500 GPM figure (in appendix B) is different from other cities.

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Florida & Puerto Rico

LORRELL BUSH **Regional Manager** 

FLORIDA, PUERTO RICO

Florida Fire Sprinkler Association Kicked off 2018 with a Bang!



FFSA has conducted 12 training seminars across the state covering the topics of ITM, Pumps, Liability and more. FFSA has trained nearly 300 contractors, inspectors and AHJs. In addition to the individual training seminars, FFSA held the 2018 Spring Conference in Daytona Beach with speakers from around the country including Matt Klaus, Mark Fessenden, Wes Baker, Roland Asp, Top Myers and John Corso. Over 60 contractors attended the conference in Daytona Beach.

The training seminars would not be possible without the support received from the annual Buddy Dewar Golf and Skeet Classic. This year marked the 24th year of the tournament. The April event was met with record attendance. Nearly 250 golfers and 40 skeeters participated in the golf and skeet tournament, raising money to

train AHJs across the state. This year's Champion of the Industry,

**Top Myers** was honored at the tournament for all the work that he has done for fire sprinkler contractors and AHJs across the state of Florida.

In addition to training, FFSA has been active working with legislative issues. The FFSA Board of Directors held a joint meeting with AFSA of Florida in Tallahassee. The meetings including walking the halls of the capitol and meeting with legislators to bring life-safety issues to the forefront. In April the FFSA Board of Directors



held their second quarter meeting to discuss the progress made so far this year and identify issues for the future.

In an effort to continue to serve FFSA members, Area Interest Meetings (AIMS) were held in February. AIMS consisted of nine meetings throughout the state, attended by over 320 participants, including Contractors,



Vendors and AHJs. George Stanley, NFSA's Russell P Fleming Technical Service Award winner, was the guest speaker and updated the participants on the changes in NFPA 13 and NFPA 25.



Besides investing in our members, FFSA also invests in public awareness. To date, FFSA has hosted eight side-by-side fire sprinkler demonstrations witnessed by hundreds of attendees. FFSA is committed to showing the benefits of fire sprinklers and educating the public on this issue.

With the first half of 2018 nearly behind us, we look forward to finishing the year strong! Look for upcoming opportunities

to join FFSA in our mission to protect lives and property from fire through the widespread acceptance of the fire sprinkler concept!

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#### **Great Lakes Region**

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#### Michigan Fire Inspectors Society to receive Side-by-Side Burn Trailer

NFSA Great Lakes Field Service Coordinator Ron Ritchey attended the Michigan Fire Inspector's Society (MFIS) annual conference in East Lansing on January 18, 2018 and joined in the MFIS Residential Code Committee Meeting.

This group of dedicated professionals are very proactive in educating the public on the life-saving benefits of residential sprinkler systems. During Ritchey's visit, the group requested a side-by-side burn trailer to assist them in their efforts. Ritchey submitted their request to NFSA President Shane Ray, who had previously scheduled a meeting with several Michigan contractor members in mid-February.

President Ray re-arranged his schedule, and Ritchey accompanied him as he met with MFIS Residential Sprinkler Coalition Chair Mike Evans at the Brighton Area Fire Department Headquarters on February 8th, where President Ray approved their request.

MFIS will be receiving their new side-by-side burn trailer to be delivered before the commemoration of the national Home Fire Sprinkler Day initiative on May 19, 2018, where they have scheduled 10 side-by-side burn demonstrations throughout the state.

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**Illinois Region** 

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NFSA Illinois Chapter Legislation SB 2596 Amends the Illinois Fire Sprinkler Contractor Licensing Act

The NFSA Illinois Chapter has filed legislation to update and "raise the bar" of the current Fire Sprinkler Licensing Act.

The original Act was enacted in 2003. Here are the proposed changes currently under consideration:

#### License Type: / 225 ILCS 317/10

Proposed two license categories; Fire Sprinkler Contractor & Fire Pump Testing Contractor

The current Act (1-3-03) provides for one type of license category for both fire sprinkler contractors and fire pump contractors. The original Act creating a "one shoe fits all" type license is not appropriate. Fire sprinkler contractors design, install, repair, maintain and test fire sprinkler systems. Fire pump contractors install, repair and maintain fire pumps. Each contractor's scope of work is uniquely different and requires qualifications and training unique to these disciplines Note: The scope of work for each type contractor is defined within the amendment language

#### Supervision (clarified definition) / 225 ILCS 317/10

Clarifies that the "designated certified person" oversees the preparation of fire protection system layout documents (design) and sizing of piping. It removes the requirement to manage the actual installation of the fire sprinkler system.

#### <u>Designated Certified Person: (DCP) /</u> 225 ILCS 317/20 Sec. 20

The amended language clarifies the minimum qualifications for this position and limits the DCP to one employer.

#### <u>Inspection & Testing Minimum Qualifications / 225 ILCS 317/30</u>

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The amended language enhances the minimum qualifications (raises the bar) from the current NICET level II Certification to a NICET III Certification by January 1, 2021. This enhanced level of certification provides for the necessary experience and training to perform the inspection & testing of fire sprinkler systems or fire pumps.

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Amended language clarifies the minimum qualifications to perform fire pump testing

#### Grandfather clause / 225 ILCS/120

The current Act when enacted (1-3-03) provided for existing fire sprinkler contractors to renew their license if they had prior experience of 3-years and did not require a "designated certified person". They referred to a "responsible managing employee" in lieu of a designated certified person. This initial grandfather clause did not have a sundown date. The 3-years prior experience as a fire sprinkler contractor does not meet minimum qualifications to install these life safety systems.

Note: All subsequent fire sprinkler contractors are held to a higher standard to obtain or renew their fire sprinkler contrac-

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tor license. This amended language simply sets a minimum qualification and levels the playing field for all fire sprinkler contractors.

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#### Wisconsin Region

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#### Hartford, Wisconsin Apartment Building Fire **Extinguished by Single Fire Sprinkler**

A 12-unit apartment building in Hartford, Wisconsin was the scene of a cooking fire. A resident was heating cooking oil in steel pot on a cooktop and answered her cell phone, went to her vehicle

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in the garage to gather information needed for the call. When she returned, she thought less than 4 minutes, she saw flames and called 911. While she was speaking to the dispatcher, one single sprinkler head was activated, before the hard-wired detectors in the unit had a chance to activate and put out the fire. All residents of the building were safe. No injuries were reported.

"We in Wisconsin are fighting the Attorney General opinion that moves the model code requirement for fire sprinklers from three units and over to 21 units and over. Sprinkler saves show the science behind fire sprinklers as a solution to poor fire protection practices. This Engineering/Technology prevention strategy is one of the 5 Es of risk reduction," Marty King, Wisconsin State Coordinator.

#### **Burn Center Golf Invitational Reaches 30 Anniversary**

The Burn Center Golf Invitational (BCGI) was created by members of the fire sprinkler industry over 30 years ago, during the 1987 NFSA Conference by Gregg Huennekens, Dave Malek, and Terry and Kay Luedke (All current NFSA Members). That year they donated \$19,000 to the St. Mary's Regional Burn Center.

Over the past 29 years, the BCGI has donated over \$2.3 million, benefitting Ascension Columbia St. Mary's Regional Burn Center and the Camp for Burn-Injured Youth. The fire sprinkler industry leads the way in burn prevention and burn survivor support systems. This is accomplished through the promotion of fire safety, burn prevention, and public safety education.

We will celebrate the 30th Anniversary on August 27, 2018 at the Grand Geneva Resort and Spa in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Sponsorships are available, please contact Marty King for further information.

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#### **Minnesota Region**

TOM BRACE **State Coordinator** 

MINNESOTA

#### Minnesota Chapter Reps NFSA at Home and Garden Show

NFSA's Minnesota Chapter had a booth at the Minneapolis Home and Garden Show 2018. This event covered two weekends; March 30-April 1 and April 6-April 8. NFSA members and members of the Minnesota Fire Service worked together to interact with the public. One of our members built a display showing how a



sprinkler head works. In an enclosed case, we placed a little plastic duck. As a result, small children rush over to the case to see the duck and their parents are right behind them. Kevin Olsen also contributed a display of sprinkler heads over time that let the public see how long sprinklers have been part of our fire protection efforts.

The Annual State Fire Marshal Conference was between these two weekend activities with about 200-225 attendees, the chapter had booth there as well. It was a busy time to meet the Minnesota Fire Officials and related services. We are grateful to State Fire Marshal Bruce West, who has been a strong supporter of sprinklers.

The ability to meet and talk with the general public at the Home and Garden Show is critical to building a rapport between our industry and the general public. Minnesota State Coordinator Tom Brace commented, "I have been amazed at how informed some people are on sprinklers and also the misinformation some people believe. Clearly, we have our work cut out to educate our citizens. I always come away from these events with respect for the work Vickie Pritchett and her team does."

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#### **Central Region**

IOWA, KANSAS

#### Fire Sprinkler System Credited with Preventing Fire From Spreading in Clearfield, Iowa Nursing Home

On March 8th, firefighters from four area departments responded to a fire at the Clearview Homes Nursing Facility.. Clearfield Assistant Fire Chief Clifford Briggs tells KMA News the fire was reported shortly before 6:15 a.m.

Up to 40 residents were in the nursing home at the time of the fire. Clearfield Assistant Fire Chief Clifford Briggs stated that the fire was located in a resident's room inside the facility's western portion.

"All the residents had made it out at this time," he said. "They made it out prior to us even making entry. Once we did an overhaul of the room, we found an area that was on fire. We pulled the ceiling down out of the resident room and extinguished all flames."

Briggs credits the home's sprinkler system for preventing the fire's spread. No injuries were reported.

#### **Missouri Region**

MISSOURI

#### Fire Chief Cites Difference Sprinklers Would Have Made in Bolivar. Missouri Home Center Fire

Bolivar City Fire Department Chief Jim Ludden said an electrical fire started in an air conditioning wall unit on the west side of a home center. Ludden said no one was inside when the fire broke out.

Crews responded to the scene at around 6:30 p.m. By 7:20, Ludden said crews had "extinguished" the fire and were "working on ventilation and salvage."

Ludden said the timing was essential. If the fire would have gone another five minutes, it would have potentially involved the entire block, he said, because it was close to igniting the original wood trusses.

He said a fire sprinkler system could have "contained (the fire) more quickly than us getting here. For an occupancy such as this, (a fire sprinkler system) would be ideal."



#### **South Central Region**

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#### **May-July 2018 South Central Events**

**DALLAS** – Dfw Airport Station 6

May 22 – Hydraulics

May 23 - Rough & Final Inspections

May 24 – Understanding, Enforcing and Applying NFPA 25

**HOUSTON** – South Shore Harbor Resort, League City, Tx June 7-10, 2018 – FSCATX Skins & Fins

**DALLAS** – Uncle Bucks, Grapevine Tx July 11, 2018 – NFSA North Texas Chapter Meeting: High Rise Issues & Answers

#### **2018 South Central Legislation**

The 2018 Oklahoma and Louisiana State Legislative Sessions have both included regulatory bills that would affect Fire Sprinkler Contractors. NFSA National and Regional Teams are working to pro-actively protect the fire sprinkler industry.

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Oklahoma SB 1525 proposed to remove all fire sprinkler licensing in Oklahoma. This bill was successfully opposed by NFSA, the Oklahoma Fire Sprinkler Contractors; the Oklahoma Fire Marshal's Association and the Oklahoma Burglar and Fire Alarms Association.

Louisiana HB 653 seeks to expand fire sprinkler & fire alarm licensing to include licensing, inspection, and certification of conveyance devices and their mechanics and inspectors. Conveyance Devices include Hoisting & lowering mechanisms like elevators, platform lifts and stairway chairs; power driven walkways, escalators, etc.

NFSA is continuing to be involved in all state and national legislation.

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#### **Great Plains Region**

COLORADO, NEBRASKA, NORTH DAKOTA, SOUTH DAKOTA, UTAH, WYOMING

#### Fire Sprinkler System Extinguishes Fire at Colorado **Shopping Mall**

The sprinkler system extinguished a small fire inside Park Meadows Mall in Lone Tree, Colorado.

Officials from South Metro Fire Rescue said the fire was contained to a storage room in a back hall. The food court was closed and evacuated while crews made sure everything was safe. The rest of the mall remained open.

The food court was reopened after firefighters gave the all clear. No injuries were reported and damage was kept at a minimum.

#### Fire Sprinkler System Contains Sioux Falls, South **Dakota Apartment Fire**

On March 12th, the Sioux Falls, South Dakota Fire Department reported a fire in a third-floor unit of an apartment building. The building was evacuated.

Firefighters who entered the apartment where the fire started found a person inside in need of help. The person was taken to the hospital with undisclosed injuries. No one else was hurt.

The building's sprinkler system contained the fire to the room of origin, preventing further injuries and damage.



#### **Southwest Region**

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#### **NFSA Southwest Chapters Announce Meeting Schedules**

The Southwest NFSA Chapters met in March in Phoenix, Arizona. and in Pleasanton, California. Both meetings featured lively exchanges on local issues affecting the fire sprinkler industry and both were well attended and informational.

The Arizona State Chapter will hold their meetings at the Phoenix Fire Department Headquarters at 150 S. 12th Street in Phoenix, Arizona with, meetings on May 15th, July 10th, September 11th, and concluding the 2018 schedule on November 13th.

The San Francisco Bay Area Chapter will hold their meetings on May 24th, July 26th and September 27th. The location has not been set.

The Los Angeles Area Chapter meeting have been set for June 21st, and August 16th, due to the Fire Sprinkler Contractor's Association Golf Event in October.

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#### **Northwest Region**

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#### **News from Around the Region**

- The Washington and Oregon Residential Coalitions presented a session at the American Water Works Association Pacific Northwest Section conference in April. It was a great opportunity to not only present key fire sprinkler messages to this important group, but to also ask water purveyors about their current practices relating to residential fire sprinkler systems. This valuable input will help frame coalition efforts.
- The Oregon Residential Fire Sprinkler Coalition has been working to improve media portrayals of fire sprinkler saves.

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The coalition presented fire sprinkler talking points and conducted a side-by-side burn at the state's public educator conference; the coalition continues to provide education to stakeholder groups.

■ The Fire Sprinkler Advisory Board of Puget Sound billboard campaign promoting fire sprinklers ran this spring. The billboards emphasized the many reasons to install fire sprinklers.



- The Washington Coalition is working on strategic planning to focus efforts and re-engage stakeholders.
- The Two-Week Technician Layout class in the SeaTac area was rescheduled for October.
- At press time, the state of Idaho was considering passing a bill to limit the ability of local jurisdictions to amend the state building code. Watch the Northwest Regional Report for a current update.
- The code adoption process continues in Washington, Oregon and Alaska. If you have input or concerns, please contact Regional Manager Suzanne Mayr.•

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#### TO LORRELL BUSH:

Dear Ms. Bush:

I would like to thank you and the Florida Fire Sprinkler Association for maintaining and coordinating the use of the side-by-side burn demonstration trailer for our Open House on February 3, 2018.

The demonstration provided a dramatic visual effect for our citizens on the speed of fire development and the value of fire sprinkler protection. We plan on contacting your association and facilitating more of these programs in the future.

It is gratifying to have the participation of our fire- and life-safety partners in our events.

Sincerely, Kimberly Neisler, Fire Chief Maitland Fire Rescue Department Maitland, Florida





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