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# from the **PRESIDENT'S DESK**

# One Full Year.... The Next One Hundred Years

**Shane Ray** 



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ull Service to members and value added to the fire sprinkler industry. I hope that is a statement that describes my first year as President and the dedication our team at NFSA has shown during a lot of transition. My desire is that as members you see an enhancement in service over the next year and that NFSA continues to fulfill its mission over the next 100 years better than ever before.

There is no doubt about the advancement made in our industry over the past 100 years. When I reflect on our involvement in codes over the past 16 years, we went from hospitals, jails and extremely large industrial/commercial buildings being protected with fire sprinkler systems, to all but small commercial buildings being protected with fire sprinkler systems!

This didn't happen without many years of dedicated people advocating for improvements in fire protection across their communities, states and our country. There have been many tragic fires that have taken thousands of lives and scarred many others. The one thing that has been consistent is NFSA's support of the advocates who are dedicated to saving lives and property.

There have been many stakeholder groups over the years dedicated to saving lives and property. One of our primary advocates is the fire service. While there have been some statements made by some lacking knowledge concerning the use of fire sprinklers correlating to the reduction of fire department jobs, this has never proven to be the case. Some of the most vocal and emotional stakeholders are the burn survivors and family members impacted as a result of structural fires. There are many other stakeholders, associations and most importantly, our NFSA members, who have helped us advance our mission.

We have a lot of work to do over the next 100 years as we grow our industry and save more lives! There is never a year that goes by when some legislature doesn't try to weaken or remove the requirement for fire sprinkler systems in certain types of occupancies.

There are always proposals to the codes and standards making bodies to save money at the risk of lives. According to an analysis of U.S. Census data, there were approximately 675,000 houses built in America without fire sprinklers because local and state governments weakened the International Residential Code. An estimated 12 states have adopted legislation that prohibited state or local governments from adopting the most recent national codes and standards. It is estimated that another 15 states don't allow local governments to adopt the latest national codes and standards or have given special provisions that specifically "cherry pick" out fire sprinklers.

We will remain vigilant in our promotion of our mission "to save lives and property through the widespread acceptance of the fire sprinklers concept." As we relocate our national headquarters to the Baltimore/Washington DC area, we will re-engage stakeholders and make new alliances in our efforts at the local, state and federal level. I appreciate your continued support and involvement. Working together, we will continue our progress!

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from the CHAIRMAN'S DE

# **Our Journey Begins...**

Larry Thau

hrough the last few years our Association (and particularly our Board of Directors) has been navigating its way through a number of significant transitions. Happily, a number of these are now behind us. Some involved policy change, some involved structural change and some involved changes in staffing. All were focused on the same consistent objectives; promoting the widespread use of fire sprinklers, operating in a more transparent and inclusive manner and generated as much debate as the question "Is our current NFSA headquarters at the best location to meet our objectives?"

NFSA's first offices were located on Wall Street in New York City in order to be close to our early influences which were insurance companies. We migrated to Patterson New York as these influences moved north and our need for larger and more economical office space became necessary. Now that our own impact is national in scope and many of our adversaries and allies for codes and legislation are all in or near our nation's capital, we will need to be there also. Our recent board meeting in Washington D.C. heightened this fact as we saw that access at the highest levels is real and possible.

Once we selected a general location, our priorities were clari-

fied. Staffing and a seamless continuity of services remains the highest priority and one where we will ask for your help and understanding as we proceed. The second priority is finding a suitable location including facilities for offices, training and meetings suitable for our current and future needs.

The debates regarding location were at times very rational and logical, at times emotional, but in all cases took us to the same conclusion... it's time to move. We weighed all of the potential benefits carefully including staffing, ease of travel for members, economics and proximity to key influences. Based upon these, our Board has voted to allow President Shane Ray to proceed with relocating NFSA to the greater Washington D.C. area. We anticipate this transition will take place after June of this year. While it's very early in this process, a number of benefits have already been felt. We will make you aware of any firm developments as soon as they occur.

At your service, Larry Thau, Chairman

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# CONTRACTOR'S CUE

# How To Effectively Negotiate -The Six-Step Professional Approach By Richard Brody

Nearly everything in life worth achieving requires some sort of negotiating skills. While many people say they know how to negotiate, it is important to realize that is far different from effectively doing so. Therefore, both regarding our personal lives, as well as many skills associated with business expertise, effective negotiation is a key to excellence. When we not only know how to do this, but also consistently utilize the skills, assets, attitudes and abilities, which put you in the best position, we are most capable of achieving things which so many others are not. Understand this requires doing one's homework, being prepared and following a quality game plan. Let's review the six-step, professional approach:

- Know your objectives: Only if you enter into the process, knowing what you want to accomplish and achieve, have a clear vision of your goals and follow a path, in an orderly manner, will you achieve what you seek or need. Some of the biggest mistakes poor negotiators often make are underestimating their adversary, overstating what they promise, failure to differentiate between essential priorities versus wants, not understanding the need to clearly articulate and tell the truth, etc.
- 2. Know your adversary's objectives/ needs: You might wonder why it is so important to know what the other side needs. Quality negotiating is not about merely asking for the moon, because unless the other side gets what it needs, the process will often fail. For example, in real estate, quality negotiating is never about merely pressuring the owner (if you represent the buyer), to lower the price dramatically, but rather getting the lowest price possible, which will be accepted and close the process, creating a meeting of the minds.
- 3. Absolute integrity: Amateurs sometimes proceed by overstating what

they can deliver and their side suffers, when inevitably it is discovered that promises can't be kept. One of the necessities of professional negotiations is to consistently maintain absolute integrity!

- 4. Full disclosure: Clearly articulate your needs. Explain you want to work together to make it work. Seek alternative approaches or methods, that will make it work well for both sides!
- 5. Think outside the box: Forget the "same-old, same-old" philosophy, mentality or approach! Rather, carefully consider alternatives, work with (rather than constantly against) the other side and develop mutually satisfying approaches. Seek ways where both sides can win!
- 6. **Come to a meeting of the minds:** Only when both sides come away feeling they were somewhat successful and met their needs and objectives, do you get long term, best results. Great negotiators realize that winning does not mean defeating the other side, but rather coming to an agreement which works and achieves objectives.

I've often stated negotiations should usually be left to the professionals. The process goes more smoothly and a greater proportion of goals and objectives are met. When you understand the basics and focus on the end result, you will become a far better negotiator.

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Richard Brody has owned businesses, been a COO, CEO, and Director of Development, as well as a consultant. He has professionally run events, consulted and conducted personal development seminars for over 30 years. Rich has written three books and well over a thousand articles. His company, PLAN2LEAD, LLC has an informative website: http://plan2lead. net.

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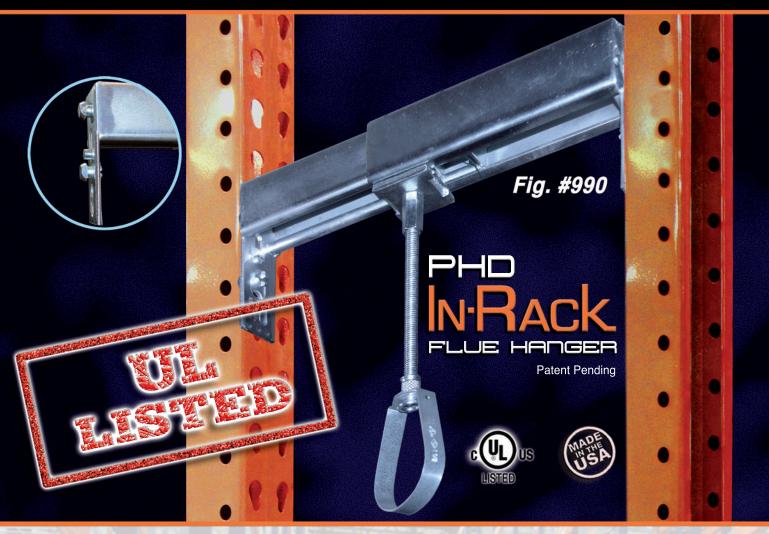




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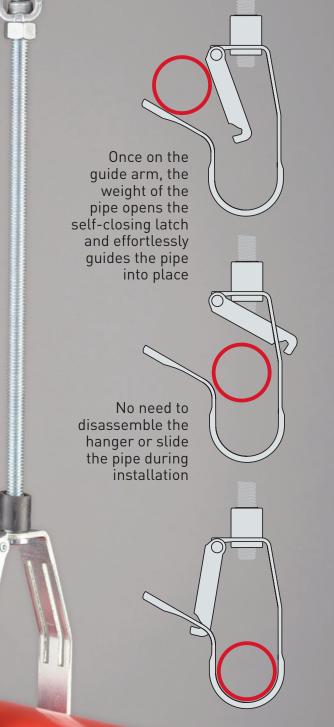


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By Victoria B. Valentine, P.E.

ne of the 12 committees that reports to the NFSA Board of Directors is the Quality Assurance Committee (QAC). The scope of this committee is: "To study industry quality control issues and make recommendations with regard to strategies for quality assurance, loss control and safety." When discussing quality control items, it is often deemed that disseminating the information to industry stakeholders can assist in addressing the concerns by simply increasing awareness of the issues. This article will review some of the subjects discussed by QAC over the last year.

# **Counterfeit Sprinkler Announcements**

At this time, there is no awareness of counterfeit sprinklers being installed in the United States. The manufacturers and laboratories are aware of counterfeit sprinklers in other parts of the world. The style and markings on these sprinklers are typically duplicated from listed products. However, if the user is familiar with the original product, the counterfeit can be detected. Both Underwriters Laboratories (UL) and FM Approvals (FM) publish reports, available through their websites, to make users aware of counterfeit products.

For UL, the user must sign up at: http:// ul.com/code-authorities/keeping-intouch/ultimate-e-mail-contact-form/. By checking the box following the form for "UL Public Notices," the user will be notified of all of UL's Public Notices. There is not a filter at this time for only fire protection products. For FM, users would go to www.fmapprovals.com. Under customer resources, there is a tab for "news and product alerts." The product alerts include any counterfeit products found.

# **Unexplained Sprinkler Operations**

Sprinklers operating without fire conditions can be separated into two groups: (1) explained operations - due to an incident (such as a temporary heater being located near the sprinkler) or damage while in the field (such as impact of equipment with the sprinkler or even an installation issue) and (2) unexplained operations - where insufficient data, inspection or evidence is presented to draw a solid conclusion on the reason for operation. When compared to the number of sprinklers installed each year, the number returned to manufacturer because of operation without a fire condition is low. However, precise statistics are not available to show this.

As sectors of the public have concerns about a sprinkler activation without a fire, these types of statistics could be very useful in the political arena to combat arguments that this type of operation is not common. Historically, it has been stated that 1 sprinkler in 16 million would operate due to a manufacturing defect. Yet, this number has not been recently confirmed. Through discussions with sprinkler manufacturers, the number is negligible, otherwise they would have statistics and be seeking solutions to lower unexplained operations. The fact that unexplained activations are statistically negligible reinforces the fact that sprinklers are dependable and false operation is unlikely.

# NFPA 25 - Recalled Sprinklers

Determining recalled sprinklers, as well as other recalled products, remains a challenge. It was guestioned if there is a source to help people, specifically inspectors, be aware of which products or devices have been recalled so that they can be identified in the field. Since the 2013 Edition of NFPA 13. Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems, the spare sprinkler box is supposed to contain a list of the sprinklers installed on the property. It is rarely present in the field at this time, due primarily to the age of building stock. NFPA 25 (2014 Edition), Standard for the Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems, has also required that the list be created if it does not exist. This list has the potential to greatly assist with identifying recalled sprinklers within a property.

Each manufacturer maintains a list of their products that have been recalled or superseded, which is accessible through their individual websites or through their technical service departments. A >> CONTINUED ON PAGE 16



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proposed idea of creating a webpage with information, or links to information, from multiple manufacturers on recalled products is currently under review. One concern is that coordinating the information for fire sprinklers will not cover all of the components in the system. It was also noted that even for educated personnel, identifying the sprinklers in the field still proves difficult and sometimes they can be missed. In addition to the requirements of NFPA 25, it was raised that the International Fire Code states that the owner shall repair or replace recalled products.

# **Building Insulation**

Instead of just verifying the conditions of a system and following the guidance of NFPA 25, some jurisdictions are questioning the ability of the antifreeze, as well as requesting to check insulation where it has been tented over wet pipes for fire protection purposes. This led to discussions on how to communicate information on properly insulating fire protection piping as the fire sprinkler contractors are not typically the ones to install the insulation.

Those who install insulation in a building may not be aware of the intricacies of protecting fire sprinkler piping from freezing. A document that could be shared with insulation personnel has been sought. It would provide cautionary information but not set criteria for how the insulation would be installed. It may also assist the AHJ with what would need to be examined. There are two separate conditions to discuss, new installations and existing systems. A document authored by Russell P. Fleming, PE and titled "FYI... Insulating Sprinkler Pipe" will be published by NFSA.

# Exterior Pipe Coatings

An incident was reported with imported steel pipe where an anti-rust coating was sprayed on the outside of the pipe for protection during shipping. There was an angle on the spraying mechanism that led to the coating getting inside the pipe at one end. However, the coating was clear initially and not easily noticed. After it had been in contact with water it became a whitish color, and was found upon opening the system.

The substance was brittle and broke away easily. However, there was a report done and an engineer has gone on record saying that the substance could break away and flow downstream to sprinklers. It appears that this was a known issue that was not communicated to purchasers of the pipe. At this time, the issue has only been seen with imported pipe from one distributor due to overseas shipping.

Neither UL nor FM has been presented with materials meeting this scenario. There have been four (4) other laboratories that have looked at the material analysis, noting it is a brittle substance, but they were inconclusive if a sprinkler could be blocked.

## Pipe Ream

The goal of pipe reaming is to remove the rims and burrs off of a cut pipe end. There really is not consistency for reams across different pipe sizes, materials, etc. Allied Tube & Conduit did some testing through FM many years ago. The general concept from the testing was that the ream angle did not impact the hydraulics of a fire sprinkler system. The report showed the differences in the friction loss of machined pipe and reamed pipe. The hydraulic impact is minimal and well below the balancing tolerances permitted under NFPA 13.

This topic is further discussed in "Hydraulic Analysis: Cut Ends of Pipe" written by Louis Guerrazzi, EIT in this issue of **SQ**.

# **Glycerin and Pipe Dope Interactions**

When glycerin is used as antifreeze in a fire sprinkler system, it could leak out through connections even with proper sealants such as pipe dope or Teflon tape. It was noted that the leaks are more common with brass on brass connections. Where cast iron fittings are used the seal is actually assisted by rusting of the iron over time. Some of the adapters currently being used involve rubber seals, which seem to have a tight enough connection that the glycerin cannot leak through the connection. This issue is likely to resolve itself since the use of glycerin as antifreeze is no longer being used for new systems. It was noted that the amount of working pressure in the system can impact the probability of leaking.

# **CPVC Compatibility**

In addition to QAC, the NFSA Engineering & Standards (E&S) Committee also discussed the topic of CPVC compatibility with other system components including any coatings on those components. A task group was formed to assist in producing an informational document that could discuss some best practices when using CPVC materials. Issue #337 (December 8, 2015) of **TechNotes** was published with this information. [A copy can be found in the "Members Only" section of the NFSA website, www.nfsa.org.]

Currently, following published guidelines and documenting what information is available at the time of installation is the best approach that can be recommended when installing CPVC. Product information can be modified at any time, so users are reminded to regularly review the guidelines.

It was also noted that products seeking a compatibility listing are still struggling. The laboratories are faced with so many variables that there is concern if compatibility can truly be addressed. Nonetheless, a method to proceed is needed. Microbiological coatings, antifreeze solutions, and rust inhibitors are examples of products that need to be tested for compatibility in systems. The slow process can be attributed to making sure they are tested in a way that is meaningful for their function in the field and yet compatible with other system components.

## Summary

NFSA's Quality Assurance Committee strives to discuss current events that are impacting the industry. This forum also strategizes ways to improve the conditions so that any concerns can be reduced and the good reputation of fire sprinkler systems is maintained. Recommendations are made to make progress with the issues discussed and continue installing quality systems.

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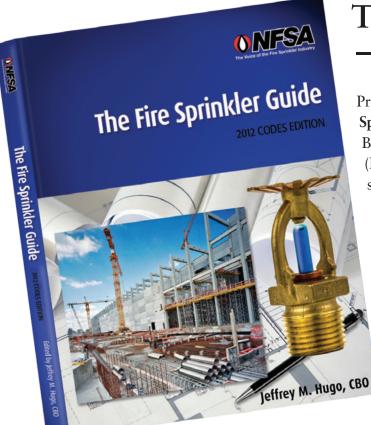
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# **The ICC Code Development Process** for the Fire Sprinkler Industry

By Jeff Hugo, CBO

he fire sprinkler industry has deep roots in the codes and standards development process. One could say our Association was a result and a necessity of the development of the first fire sprinkler standards, starting with NFPA 13 in 1896. Code development has evolved from that same time period of city codes, to several national codes, to today, where the United States has a primary developer of codes, the International Code Council (ICC) and the primary developer of standards, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

The industry will certainly benefit from becoming more familiar with the ICC because of the reach of these codes that are produced nationally and adopted at the state and local level. Past NFSA SQ articles have outlined and highlighted specific concerns and code sections for the fire sprinkler industry. However, 2016 is a huge code development year in the IFC (International Fire Code), the fire protection chapter in the IBC (International Building Code) and the IRC (International Residential Code). Many NFSA members have become members of the ICC. This article will answer many questions some of you may have on how to be more involved in the codes process.

There are many ways to become involved in the ICC. NFSA members can join their local ICC chapters and meet local code officials. Every state has building, code enforcement, plumbing, and fire code official chapters affiliated with ICC. To find your nearest chapter, go to: www.iccsafe.org/membership/chapters/ icc-chapters-and-boardstaff-liaison-map. Participation at this level will greatly assist the industry by becoming known to area code officials and to provide these individuals technical communication. No training works as well as one-on-one two-way conversation between a fire sprinkler layout technician with years of experience and a code official. This relationship will benefit both sides and will fill in the gap that the NFSA national organization cannot fill.

Local NFSA members can also be aware of code changes and proposals at the local level. Many states have staterun building commissions as well as local code commissions that administer and adopt local codes. Participation at this level is crucial. Many times, code proposals at the local level are formulated and after significant data is accrued, they are introduced at the national level. Sometimes, these type of proposals are beneficial to our industry, but other times not. Even if the local fire sprinkler member is not interested in the development or is not experienced enough on the subject to testify, it could be sent up to the local code official, NFSA chapter or even to the NFSA Public Fire Protection department for assistance. Many times we hear of code changes after the fact. Removing or revising damaging fire sprinkler changes is very difficult, expensive and slow.

NFSA members who are ICC members have a voice and a vote in the national ICC code hearing process. In the past, if a local NFSA member or code official wanted to have a vote at a hearing, they had to travel and sit through several days of hearings. Not so much anymore. The ICC hearing process is still an in-person event of several days, but the voting on those issues is done online approximately two weeks after the on-site public hearing. A few years ago, ICC created an online place to create, collaborate and vote code changes. ICC calls this process "cdpACCESS" which stands for: Code Development Process Access. The website to access the proposals and online ballots is: www.cdpaccess.com and is open to the public. Voting privileges are only active for ICC members.

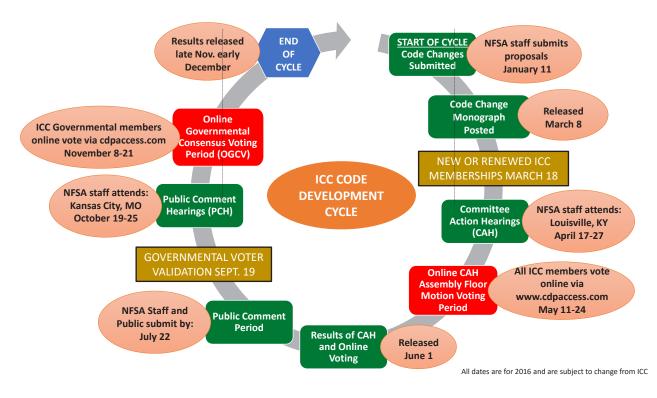
The code development process is split into cycles or groups. In 2016, Group B, covers the IFC, IRC, some of the IBC, and the IECC (International Energy Conservation Code). Participation in the process occurs at many points. NFSA has several staff members who are experienced and present at each point. However, those fire sprinkler members who want to participate by voting online will have up to two

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voting periods to register their position.

The first online voting period is the "online assembly floor motion voting period" and is open for all ICC members. The second voting period is the "online governmental consensus vote" or OGCV and this is only reserved for those ICC members who are validated as governmental members. Fire sprinkler contractors, engineers, layout technicians, suppliers, etc. are typically not eligible to vote the second period.

The actions in the code development cycle are graphically explained in Figure 1-1, ICC Code Development Cycle.

The fire sprinkler industry has expanded its market through many years, many allies, a lot of data and unfortunately, a lot of deaths and injuries. Much of this has occurred through the code development work in ICC family of codes and NFPA 1, 101 and 5000. Our participation is critical on both sides and it needs to start at the grassroots level. Personal relationships with code officials and intimate, two-way conversations that the fire sprinkler industry has every day builds strong bridges. These relationships grow into policy changes. Please look into joining your local ICC code official chapter. If you have any questions, NFSA's Public Fire Protection department is always available to assist.



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# NOTES FROM THE FIRE SCENE

# Allies in our Nation's Capitol and A Salute to JD!

s we prepare to move our national office to the Baltimore/Washington DC area this summer, I pause to realize the respective organizations and associations in the area and what it can mean to us being their neighbor. When you take a look at national association addresses, you quickly realize most are located close to the place where laws are made that impact us all, and if they are not located there, they have an office there. Soon, we will join that list. We believe this move will improve our ability to be actively engaged in federal legislation that impacts our industry.

One of our strongest allies is the Congressional Fire Services Institute (CFSI). NFSA has a long history with this group, largely because of Jim "JD" Dalton, who joined NFSA in 1993 to head up the Public Fire Protection Department. My story with JD began as he approached me after I presented at a Tennessee Fire Safety Inspectors Association conference on our local fire sprinkler adoption in 2001. He was a larger than life character to me, one that I immediately embraced and learned so much from. He declared that day that he was going to hire me and indeed he did that very thing! I am honored to have a mentor like JD, and to this day, I think of things he has shared with me on a daily basis. He understands the fire sprinkler industry inside and out and his no-nonsense let's "get it done" attitude is contagious. JD has just completed a twoyear term as Chairman of the National Advisory Council of the CFSI. I would be remiss to let this milestone pass us by without acknowledging both our "JD" and the CFSI.

Keep it simple is instilled in me because of JD. His ability to communicate America's fire problem and its solution, is one for the record books. I vividly recall him introducing me to Maude, Claude and the Claudettes (men, women, and children – the top three causes of fire) and the solution being that little widget called the fire sprinkler that works 24/7 365 days a year – without a vacation needed!

As I work to continue the work that JD has excelled at in Washington, DC, I will forever hear his footsteps and advice & counsel (yes, he says that he is really retiring... even as our volunteer). Jim Dalton, your legacy is one of service, advocacy, and education. We will continue to engage the politics of life safety with the hope that one day we will see our mission realized. Thank you for being you and for sharing with all of us!

Whether you are a firefighter, emergency services responder, manufacturer, supplier, contractor or fire service leader/ supporter, the United States Congress is more aware of your concerns because of the CFSI. Established in 1989 as a nonprofit, nonpartisan policy institute, CFSI is designed to educate members of Congress about the needs and challenges of our nation's fire and emergency services so that the federal government provides needed types of training and funding.

The CFSI has been beside us in every meeting we've had supporting the Fire

Sprinkler Incentive Act (FSIA) and also recent meetings with high-ranking administration within federal programs. We are engaged in the education process. Being in close proximity to Washington, DC will improve our ability to establish and foster relationships to support our industry.

Recently, NFSA sponsored a CFSI "Night at the Rink" which spotlighted the group's efforts at a Washington Capitals hockey game. NFSA President Shane Ray and I joined fire service leaders from across the nation at the event and spent some good time exploring ideas to increase our involvement and activity.

Another exciting development for us is the revival of "Fire Team USA!" We are planning to kick off the 2016 schedule in Minnesota with deliveries planned for eight states. Check the schedule at www. nfsa.org or www.fireteamusa.org. We want as many members as possible to be part of this grassroots education and outreach!

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# Less Frequent Inspections and Tests

**By Jason Webb** 



First, let's define what is meant by "less frequent" inspections and tests. The term frequency was first defined in the 2014 edition and means "minimum and maximum time between events." To comply with NFPA 25, many tasks must occur on a frequency of annually or less (i.e. quarterly, monthly, etc.). But with others, the frequency may be three or five years, such as full-flow testing of dry pipe valves or assessment of the internal condition of pipe. Some may stretch to 20 years, like testing of quick-response sprinklers for example, or even 50 years and beyond for the testing of some other sprinklers.

Although required by NFPA 25, the owner is sometimes unable to provide records documenting when the last time the less-frequent inspections and testing happened. Third-party products and services are available to help not only owners but also AHJs with this problem. However, the issue still remains common.

The matter of how to address, or even if to address, the apparent lack of less frequent inspections and tests has come before the NFPA 25 technical committee several times. During the 2014 edition cycle, a proposal was made by NFSA to clarify that the owner must



have the three- and five-year frequency inspections and tests done if there were no records of them having been done. That proposal was defeated. In the 2017 edition cycle, a proposal to call out, as a deficiency, the lack of records indicating less frequent ITM was performed, was also defeated.

The concept of the ITM contractor being involved in verifying compliance is what seems to cause the most confusion. Many AHJs assume that the ITM contractor is pointing out the lack of evidence of less frequent ITM on reports. And while some contractors are, with the technical committee, defeating proposals designed to address the issue, there exists a high level of misunderstanding. Some states do require this reporting through legislation or code amendment, but most do not.

So what does this mean to the stakeholders? For the ITM contractor, it means that documenting the lack of less-frequent ITM on an inspection report may expose them to a charge of working outside the scope of NFPA 25. The technical committee has, for the last two cycles, made it clear that the responsibility for complying with the standard falls to the owner and the job of enforcement is not that of the contractor. For the owner and AHJ, it means that they need to be especially vigilant about when to have these less frequent inspections and tests performed to ensure compliance with NFPA 25 and help keep systems in good working order.



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# Attempt to Repeal Maryland's Residential Fire Sprinkler Requirement

o begin, each state may work differently in their adoption, amendment and enforcement of model building codes. Following is the Maryland story and how the Maryland Fire Service handled an attempt to repeal the state-wide residential fire sprinkler requirement for new one- and two-family dwellings.

The model building codes of the International Codes Council make up part of the Maryland Building Performance Standards. The model codes are reviewed and adopted by the state. The 23 counties and incorporated municipalities have 180 days from the state adoption to review, amend and adopt the model building codes. Local adoption allows the counties and incorporated municipalities to amend the codes to either strengthen or weaken provisions of the codes with few exceptions. There are certain code provisions, which, by law, can't be weakened by local adoption. However, residential fire sprinklers for new one- and two-family dwellings was not one of them.

Maryland has a residential fire sprinkler requirement for new townhouses dating back to 1992. The move by the Maryland Fire Service to include new one- and twofamily dwellings was progressing through the state and by the year 2012 there were 14 counties and over 94 incorporated municipalities, including the City of Baltimore, with a residential fire sprinkler requirement for new one- and two-family dwellings. In 2012, the decision was made by the Maryland Fire Service to close the gap to include the remaining nine counties and incorporated municipalities. The decision was based on the existing areas in Maryland where there were no fatalities in a residential fire where residential fire sprinklers were present. The Maryland Fire Service went to work and had cross-filed companion legislative bills HB-366 and SB-602 introduced and supported in the State House of Delegates and Senate.

HB-366 was introduced by Delegate James E. Malone Jr. on January 30, 2012 and SB-602 was introduced by Roy P. Dyson on February 3, 2012. The bills, known as "Building Performance Standards - Automatic Fire Sprinkler Systems," disallowed the removal of the residential fire sprinkler requirement in the International Residential Code as adopted by the State of Maryland.

The bills moved swiftly through committee with favorable votes and signed into law by then Governor Martin O'Malley on May 2, 2012, with an effective date of October 1, 2012.

The State of Maryland had adopted the 2012 International Building Codes with an effective date of January 1, 2012. The counties and incorporated municipalities had 180 days from the state adoption to review, amend and adopt the model building codes. This meant local adoption had to be completed by July 1, 2012. Since the effective date for the local disallow-ance of amending out the residential fire sprinkler requirement was October 1, 2012, this allowed the counties and municipalities to amend out the residential sprinkler requirement for one- and

two-family dwellings in their adoption of the 2012 model building codes. Maryland would not see total state-wide compliance for residential fire sprinklers until the adoption of the 2015 Edition of the International Residential Building Code.

Final state-wide compliance with the residential fire sprinkler requirement in the International Residential Building Code was realized with the adoption of the 2015 edition of the IRC on July 1, 2015. A push back on the residential fire sprinkler requirement surfaced in Caroline County on the Eastern Shore of Maryland in August 2015.

In the fall of 2015, a Caroline County Commissioner mentioned that he intended to discuss the residential fire sprinkler issue at an October meeting with state legislators. Opposition to the fire sprinkler requirement was said to be based on cost that has slowed new home construction on the Eastern Shore. It was unknown if the actual slowdown was in permit applications or actual home construction. In the past, contractors would pull construction permits prior to the effective date of the fire sprinkler mandate in order to relieve them of the requirement.

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Ray Lonabaugh

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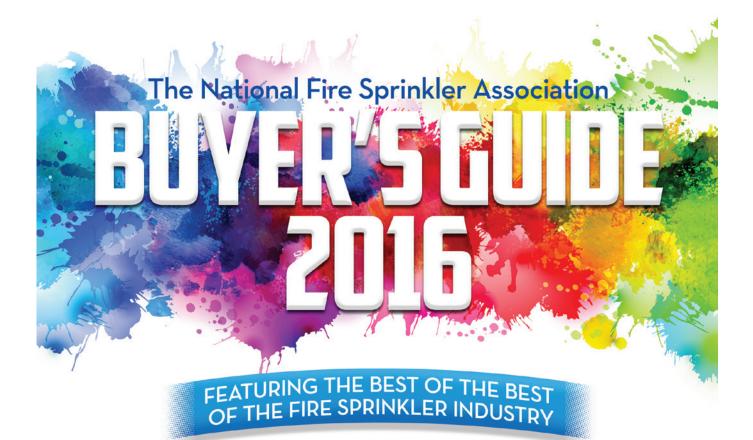
During a Wicomico County Council Meeting on November 17, 2015 in Salisbury on the Eastern Shore, Maryland Delegate Chris Adams advised the Council that he intended to introduce a bill to return local control of building requirements that are currently mandated by the state. The Delegate said his bill was not just about fire sprinklers for new oneand two-family dwellings. The delegate went on to say that he didn't oppose fire sprinklers but wanted to return to local control and home buyer's choice. However, on November 30, 2015 a pre-filed bill that specifically mentioned repealing the residential fire sprinkler requirement in the Maryland Building Performance Standards was unveiled. The bill would remove the prohibition against removal of the fire sprinkler requirement for new one- and two-family dwellings by the counties and local incorporated municipalities in their adoption of the state adopted model building codes.

On January 13, 2016 House Bill 19 was introduced for the repeal of the required adoption of the residential fire sprinkler

requirement in the International Residential Code, but would require the home builder to offer the installation of a residential fire sprinkler system as an option. Upon first notice in November 2015 by Delegate Chris Adams that he intended to introduce legislation to repeal the fire sprinkler requirement, the Maryland State Firemen's Association (MSFA) and the Maryland State Fire Marshal immediately set out to halt any such legislative attempt. The MSFA and the State Fire Marshal were invited to attend, as always, the December 15, 2015 meeting of the NFSA Capital Region Fire Sprinkler Association (CRFSA), which they did. The CRFSA made a decision to support the firefighters and the State Fire Marshal. On the advice of John Steele, Senior Director for State & Government Affairs for TYCO, Maryland Lobbyist Kevin O'Keefe was hired. On February 16, 2016, an Environment and Transportation Committee hearing on HB 19 for the repeal of the required adoption of the residential fire sprinkler requirement in International Residential Code was conducted in Annapolis, Maryland. Needless to say, the

Maryland Fire Service came out strong against the bill. The hearing went on for several hours. There were several panels organized to speak against the bill. The panels included the Maryland Fire Service, Burn Center Doctors and Nurses, Burn Survivors as wells as Sprinkler Installers to rebut the usual unfair cost estimates. Also, a television news clip was featured that portrayed the making of a video, "Fire Sprinklers Save Lives -A Maryland Story," about the aftermath effects on family members following the Anne Arundel County Mansion Fire. The clip featured Sher Grogg, Common Voices newest advocate, who lost her brother, sister-in-law and three nieces and a nephew in a catastrophic Maryland home fire in 2015. The home was built prior to an adopted residential fire sprinkler reguirement. It was our understanding that Delegate Chris Adams, the bill's sponsor, was asked if he wanted to withdraw the bill: however, he declined. On March 14, 2016 HB19 received an unfavorable report by the House Environmental and Transportation Committee. The HB19 is dead!





The Association would like to acknowledge the commitment and support it has received from its SAM (Supplier and Manufacturer) members. Each company listed in the Buyer's Guide has demonstrated their dedication to the fire sprinkler industry by joining in the Association's goal to provide fire sprinkler protection where people live, work and play. Special recognition is also given to the member companies and their representatives who make up the SAM Council.

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### Founded: 1986

1980

Primary Products/Services: Inspector's Test and Drain Valves and Accessories

Market Area:

International

Hours of Operation: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. EST Mon.-Fri.

Management:

James McHugh George McHugh IV

Sales Contact: James McHugh

# Company Profile:

AGF Manufacturing, Inc. revolutionized the fire sprinkler industry with the Model 1000 **TESTanDRAIN®** single valve inspector's test which eliminated the time and space consuming traditional loop assembly. Since then, TESTanDRAIN® valves have been installed in countless systems throughout the world and AGF continues to introduce innovative new products such as INSPECTOR'S TEST®, REMOTETEST® and Commercial and Residential RISERPACK®. TESTanDRAIN® valves are now made in more styles, in more sizes and with more orifice options than any other valve on the market. In 2010 AGF introduced COLLECTanDRAIN, a unique dry system condensate detection and drainage device, solving a problematic area found on nearly all dry systems. All AGF products are manufactured to the highest quality and meet or exceed ISO 9002 standards. AGF valves are UL Listed and FM Approved.



## Accu-Fire Fabrication, Inc.

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## Founded: 1991

Primary Products/Services: Fire Sprinkler Fabrication & Supply

Market Area:

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

## Management:

Deardra Murphy, President Vince Murphy, VP, Operations Dan Boice, Sales Manager Mike Stango, VP, Sales

# Sales Contact:

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# **Company Profile:**

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# Aegis Technologies, Inc.

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# Founded: 2007

Primary Products/Services: Manufacturer of Specialty Fire Protection Fittings Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation: 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. EST

Management: 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

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. We pioneered the lightweight welding outlet fittings and adjustable drop nipples under both the Allied and Merit names for the fire sprinkler markets. Aegis continues this tradition.

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The Adjuster Drop Nipple, Dropster Reducing Nipple, and Branchlet Welding Outlet are the results of our 30+ years of experience producing fittings for the fire protection industry.

# Aegis experience:

**Quality** – Products produced on state-of-the-art American-made equipment that holds tighter tolerances than our counterparts' machinery.

**Quality Assurance** – As part of our quality system, ferrous and elastomeric material lots are checked by independent laboratories over and beyond the UL and FM scope. Each fitting is marked with a lot number that is matched to specific "ship to" addresses, as well as detailed material and production quality records.

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# AFCON

P.O. Box 3365 South El Monte, California 91733 Phone: 626.444.0541 FAX: 626.444.3887 Email: info@afcon.com Website: www.afcon.org Founded: 1952

Primary Products/Services: Pipe Hanger Products, Sway Braces, Software

Market Area: Worldwide

Hours of Operation: 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

Company Profile: Dozens of patented products to facilitate and enhance the installation of pipe hangers and sway braces. Afcon ZOI® Sway Brace Software is intuitive.

# **American AVK Company**

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# 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:

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# **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.

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# Amtrol, Inc.

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Wolfgang Neumann, Product Manager

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## Founded:

1850

# Primary Products/Services:

Grooved couplings, fittings, valves, pipe hangers, supports, seamless pipe nipples, malleable, cast iron and forged steel fittings

# Market Area:

International

# Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Mon.-Fri.

## Management:

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# Sales Contact:

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## Founded:

1996

## Primary Products/Services: Fire Pumps and related equipment and repairs

<mark>Market Area:</mark> Upper Midwest

Hours of Operation: Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m

# Management:

Brad Clemmons, President Vince Rodriquez, Vice President & Service Manager Steve Holzkopf, Office Manager

# Sales Contact:

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# Company Profile:

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## **Primary Products/Services:**

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## Market Area:

Worldwide

## Hours of Operation: 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. EST, Mon.-Fri.

## Management:

Pete Chapman, General Manager, Backflow Prevention Cal Mosack, Executive Vice President, Sales & Marketing John Wells, Director, Sales Administration Sean Perry, Technical Sales Manager

### Sales Contact:

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**Company Profile:** 

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# 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 Buck Eilers, Sales Woody Witwer, Sales

# Sales Contact:

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# Company Profile:

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181 N Arroyo Grande Blvd Suite 105 Henderson, Nevada 89074 Phone: 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:

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# Founded:

2012

Primary Products/Services: Stainless Steel Backflow Preventers & Butterfly Valves

# Market Area:

U.S.A.

Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Mon-Fri

# Management:

Doug Powell, CEO Kent Powell, CFO Sales Contact:

Sales Contact: Brad Scott, Dir. of Sales & Mktg

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# **Company Profile:**

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# BlazeMaster® Fire Sprinkler Systems – Lubrizol

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# Founded:

1984/Lubrizol founded 1928

Primary Products/Services: BlazeMaster® Fire Sprinkler Systems

# Management:

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Founded: 1999

Primary Products/Services: Inspection and compliance reporting software

Market Area:

Worldwide

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

### Management:

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### Sales Contact:

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### **Bull Moose Tube**

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### 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:

Michael Blatz, CEO Ted Shultz, CFO Matt Harper, EVP, Business Development Scott Morris, EVP, Marketing

### Sales Contact:

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### **Company Profile:**

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### Chicago Backflow, Inc. aka CB Marketing

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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 Phone: 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/Quote Contact:

Megan Demereckis or Nick Smith

New Product Opportunities: Donald J. Smith Phone: 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 Fire Protection Products, Inc.** 100 Progress Place Cincinnati, Ohio 45246

Phone: 513.475.FIRE Website: www.clarkefire.com Email: mmathes@clarkefire.com

### Founded:

1964

#### **Primary Products/Services:** Diesel Engine Fire Pump Drivers

Market Area:

Global Hours of Operation:

24/7

### Management:

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### Sales Contact:

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### Company Profile:

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

Thank you for considering us for your fire protection needs and if you would like any additional information, please visit our website at www.clarkefire.com. Thank you!

### Complete Pump Service Co., Inc.

461 South Irmen Drive Addison, Illinois 60101 Phone: 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 Phone: 630.628.1600 ext. 107 FAX: 630.628.1709

### **Company Profile:**

Complete Pump Service Company offers 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.



### **Croker Division** Fire-End and Croker Corporation 7 Westchester Plaza Elmsford, New York 10523 Phone: 914.592.3640 Toll Free: 800.729.3473 FAX: 914.592.3892 Website: www.croker.com

Email: info@croker.com

Founded: 1911

### 911

**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, National Sales Manager Sales Contact: Peter E. Levine, National Sales Manager

### **Company Profile:**

For over 105 years, 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 located in Elmsford, New York. We maintain inventory in Dallas, Texas; Detroit, Michigan; Miami, Florida; Cleveland and Cincinnati, Ohio; Fountain Valley, California; Louisville, Kentucky; Ashland, Virginia and Wilmington, Delaware.

The Croker product line includes Hose Valves, Pressure Regulating Valves (Pilot, Field Adjustable and Factory Set), Fire Department Connec-

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tions (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.

### BRANCH OFFICE AND REGIONAL WAREHOUSES:

### **Croker Texas**

1110 South Airport Circle-Suite 110 Euless, Texas 76040 Phone: 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 Phone: 513.870.0517 FAX: 513.870.0363 Bob Orth, Regional Sales Manager Jerry Hutchinson, Warehouse Manager

### **Croker Florida**

13605 SW 149th Ave, Suite 6 Miami, Florida 33196 Phone: 954.423.8820 Leon Benlolo, Regional Sales Manager

### **Croker California**

18436 Bandilier Circle Fountain Valley, California 92708 Toll Free: 888.773.3473 FAX: 888.713.3473 Gary Moe, Regional Sales Manager



### **CST Storage**

903 E 104th Street Suite 900 Kansas City, Missouri 64131 Phone: 913.621.3700 FAX: 913.621.2145 Website: www.cst-storage.com Founded: 1893

Primary Products/Services: Fire Protection Storage Tanks

<mark>Market Area:</mark> Global

Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

Management: Eric Carson, V.P. Storage Sales Weston Opat, Central Reg. Sales Mgr.

### Sales Contact:

Weston Opat Telephone: 913.535.4168 email: wopat@cst-storage.com

#### **Company Profile:**

CST is the leading provider of factory-coated fire protection water tanks. With over 250,000 liquid storage tanks in over 120 countries since 1893, we have the experience, products and engineering to meet our customer's needs. CST's factory applied proprietarycoating technologies are the best in the business and have been field proven for more than 50 years. CST leading brands; Aquastore, HydroTec 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. www.cstindustries.com

### **Decoshield Systems, Inc.**

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

### Management:

Linda Camm, President

### **Company Profile:**

The DecoShield<sup>®</sup> Systems can be used in new construction or in existing buildings to cover unsightly piping, cables, conduits, etc.

Our experience and total dedication to the fire sprinkler retrofit industry has equipped us to help you in many ways... Not only by providing you with a UL – Listed premier, modular cover/support system, but also by helping you with design, installation and anchoring problems.

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#### W.S. Darley & Company

325 Spring Lake Drive Itasca, Illinois 60143 Phone: 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:**

NFPA 13D fire sprinkler pump packages that ship 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.

### Eaton's B-Line Business 509 W. Monroe St.

Highland, Illinois 62249 Phone: 800.851.7415



www.edcos.com

### EDCOS, Inc.

330 Industrial Park Mercedes, Texas 78570-4300 Phone: 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, ittings, 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.

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### **Engineered Corrosion Solutions**

2043 Woodland Pkwy Suite 301 St. Louis, Missouri 63146 Phone: 314.432.1377 email: info@ecscorrosion.com Website: http://ecscorrosion.com

### Founded:

2003

### **Primary Products/Services:**

Corrosion management, nitrogen generator, automatic air vent, corrosion monitor

### Market Area:

### Nationwide

### Management:

Jeff Kochelek, CEO Lucas Kirn, Market Development Manager Adam Hilton, Product Engineering Manager Gerard van Moorsel, Technical Services Manager

### Sales Contact:

Lucas Kirn email: lkirn@ecscorrosion.com

### **Company Profile:**

Engineered Corrosion Solutions is a corrosion management firm that offers proprietary dry pipe nitrogen inerting technology (DPNI) and wet pipe nitrogen inerting technology (WPNI) for controlling corrosion and eliminating pipe leaks in wet, dry and preaction fire sprinkler systems. ECS also offers fire sprinkler system assessment and analytical services to determine the root cause, extent and severity of corrosion in existing fire sprinkler systems. The ECS Protector Nitrogen Generator, ECS Ejector Automatic Air Vent and ECS In-Line Corrosion Detector are among many products offered. We are the de facto standard in fire sprinkler corrosion control.



### **Ferguson Fire & Fabrication**

Corporate Headquarters 800 South 4th Avenue Mansfield, Texas 76063 Phone: (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 District Manager - Fire Protection

### **Company Profile:**

Ferguson Fire & Fabrication supplies the highest quality fire protection equipment to our customers nationwide. With more than 65 locations and over 800 associate, we have the reach to supply the most demanding fire protection jobs in the country. Over 30 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.

3198 Lionshead Avenue Carlsbad, California 92010 Phone: 760.599.1168 Toll-Free: 800.344.1822 FAX: 800.344.3775 Website: www.fppi.com

### Founded:

1989

Primary Products/Services: Fire Sprinkler Accessories

Market Area: Worldwide

Hours of Operation: 6:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. PST Mon.-Fri.

Management: Randy Greenslate, President

### Sales Contact:

Customer Service Phone: 800.344.1822 FAX: 760.931.8080

### **Company Profile:**

The Most Preferred, Trusted, and Installed Name in the Fire Sprinkler Industry. FPPI offers fire sprinkler accessories, brass trim, sealants & lubricants as well as standpipe equipment through its network of highly knowledgeable local distributors.

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### FlexHead Industries, Inc.

56 Lowland Street Holliston, Massachusetts 01746 Phone: 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, General Manager Mike Dooley, Vice President of Sales Jennifer Costello, Customer Service Manager

### **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.

### FormLink Systems

14547 Brookfield Drive Fishers, Indiana 46040-9401 Phone: 317.735.3345 FAX: 317-735-3342 Email: sales@formlinksystems.com Website: www.formlinksystems.com

### **Company Profile:**

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.

### **Fox Sprinkler Supply Corporation**

951 Estes Court Schaumburg, Illinois 60193 Phone: 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 experience in the fire sprinkler industry.

### GECCO, Inc.

23 Baker Drive Factoryville, Pennsylvania 18419 Phone: 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:

Chris Von Ahnen, Director of Sales and Marketing email: chris@dropmaster.com

### Gem Sprinkler Company

1524 Astoria Dr. Allen, Texas 75013 Phone: 813.672.2017

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

118 Summit Drive Exton, Pennsylvania 19341 Phone: 610.524.8950 Toll Free: 800.345.8207 FAX: 610.524.8965 Website: www.generalairproducts.com

Founded: 1936

**Primary Products/Services:** Air compressors /13D Pump 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 fire protection. From our innovative residential fire protection pump and tank systems for NFPA 13D applications to our complete line of air compressors designed specifically for fire protection applications 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!

### **Global Vision, Inc.**

8730 Jefferson Hwy Osseo, Minnesota 55369 Phone: 763.391.0990 FAX: 763.391.7668 Website: www.gviflow.com

#### **Products/Services:**

Global Vision provides only the highest quality

Fire Pump Test Meters and accessories around the world. For all your FM Approved test meter needs, Global Vision is the right choice.

### Management:

Charles Sutton, Pres/Owner

### **Globe Fire Sprinkler Corporation**

4077 Air Park Drive Standish, Michigan 48658 Phone: 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, etc.

Market Area: Worldwide

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

### Management:

Robert C. Worthington, Chairman & CEO Steven R. Worthington, President

### Sales Contact:

Steven R. Worthington, President Phone: 989.846.4583 FAX: 989.846.9231

### **Company Profile:**

Globe Fire Sprinkler Corp. is an independent, privately owned company that strives to exceed customer expectations, offering top quality, competitive products and a high level of customer service. Approximately 30% of Globe's net sales are to overseas customers. Globe continues to develop new products as the world market demands and is happy to state that its relationship with various approval authorities, such as Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., FM approvals and the Loss Prevention Certification Board UK is excellent. Globe has the LPCB UK certification for ISO 9000 series Quality Assurance, therefore exhibiting proof of the quality it continuously builds into each of its 100% factory-tested products.

### 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

### Harvel Plastics, Inc.

PO Box 757 300 Keubler Rd. Easton, Pennsylvania 18044-0757 Phone: 610.252.7355 FAX: 610.253.4436 Website: www.harvel.com www.harvelfiresprinklerpipe.com

### Founded:

1964 Primary Products/Services: Manufacturers of PVC & CPVC Piping Products Market Area:

National & International Hours of Operation:

7 days/24 hrs.

### Management:

Earl E. Wismer, Chairman, CEO Patrick M. Foose, President/G.M. Roy Burpee, National Sales Mgr., Fire Protection William P. Weaver, Director, Technical Services

### Sales Contact:

Roy Burpee, National Sales Manager, Fire Protection Phone: 610.252.7355 FAX: 610.253.4436

### **Company Profile:**

Harvel Plastics, Inc., a high quality manufacturer of thermoplastic piping products since 1964, is a pioneer producer of CPVC Fire Sprinkler Pipe. Many of the first UL tests performed to evaluate CBVC for fire sprinkler service were conducted on pipe manufactured by Havel. Harvel CPVC piping products consistently meet the tough performance requirements for fire service as verified through on-going UL, FM and LCPR testing. Harvel's steadfast dedication to quality and unmatched manufacturing experience has earned the company the reputation of "The Quality Line"



### **HD Supply-Fire Protection**

1830 Craig Park Court St. Louis, Missouri 63146 Phone: 800 492 6909 Website: www.hdsfireprotection.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:**

HD Supply - 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.

### HD Supply-Fire Protection Branch locations:

Phoenix, Arizona 1650 E Riverview Dr. #110 Phoenix, Arizona 85034 Phone: 602.256.0050 FAX: 602.256.7117

### Hayward, California

2407 Industrial Parkway West Hayward California 94545 Phone: 510.441.1650 FAX: 510.441.1620

### San Francisco, California

155 De Haro St. San Francisco, California 94103 Phone: 415.431.8722 FAX: 415.431.8567 Sacramento, California 1120 Blumenfeld Drive Sacramento, California 95815 Phone: 916.565.0466 FAX: 916.565.1852

Fresno, California 4710 E. Commerce Ave. Fresno, California 93725 Phone: 559.441.7171 FAX: 559.441.7175

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

Lodi, California 1625 S. Stockton St. Lodi, California 95240 Phone: 209.334.9768 FAX: 209.334.9773

Fontana, California 15535 Arrow Route Fontana, California 92335 Phone: 909.320.5306 FAX: 909.356.8599

Denver, Colorado 735 Leyden St. Denver, CO 80216 Phone: 303.305.4507 FAX: 720.941.4347

Tampa, Florida 1430 Massaro Blvd. Tampa, Florida 33619 Phone: 813.620.9058 FAX: 813.626.6912

Orlando, Florida 3655 Old Winter Garden Rd. Orlando, Florida 32805 Phone: 407.299.2275 FAX: 407.298.5038

Palm Beach, Florida 1751 Avenue L Riviera Beach, Florida 33404 Phone: 561.863.5600 FAX: 561.845.6120

Miami, Florida 10810 NW 92nd Terrace Ste. 108 Miami, Florida 33178 Phone: 305.477.2383 FAX: 305.805.4923 Jacksonville, Florida 11310 Distribution Ave. West Jacksonville, Florida 32256 Phone: 904.260.4705 FAX: 904.260.4644

Atlanta, Georgia 2157 Tucker Industrial Road Tucker, Georgia 30084 Phone: 770.414.1212 FAX: 770.414.1883

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Indianapolis, Indiana 8615 East 33rd St. Indianapolis, Indiana 46226 Phone: 317.898.4879 FAX: 317.898.4868

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

Charlotte, North Carolina 75 Odell School Rd. S Concord, North Carolina 28027 Phone: 704.784.4700 FAX: 704.789.9288

Las Vegas, Nevada 4035 W. Oquendo Rd Las Vegas, Nevada 89118 Phone: 702.382.0331 FAX: 702.382.0671

Brockton, Massachusetts 1123 Pearl St. Brockton, MA 02301 Phone: 508.894.0130 FAX: 508.894.0139

### Cincinnati, Ohio

4325 Mulhauser Rd., Ste. 6 Fairfield, OH 45014 Phone: 513.642.7005 FAX: 513.860.1245

**Portland, Oregon** 12670 SW Leveton Dr. Tualatin, OR 97062 Phone: 503.404.2650 FAX: 503.691.6001

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Houston, Texas 5823 Thomas Rd. Houston, TX 77041 Phone: 713.937.4568 FAX: 713.937.0493

San Antonio, Texas 12050 Crownpoint Dr., Ste. 100 San Antonio, TX 78233 Phone: 210.247-4940 FAX: 210.637.6682

**Richmond, Virginia** 738 Goodes St. Richmond, VA 23224 Phone: 804.232.2003 FAX: 804.232.1255

Salt Lake City, Utah 275 West 2855 South Salt Lake City, UT 84115 Phone: 385.419.3950

Seattle, Washington 10013 MLK Jr. Way So. Seattle, WA 98178 Phone: 206.722.9475 FAX: 206.722.9477

Hilti, Inc. 5400 S 122nd East Avenue Tulsa, Oklahoma 74146-6007 Phone: 800.879.6000

### HRS Systems, Inc.

208 Southside Square Petersburg, Tennessee 37144 Phone: 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<sup>®</sup> for hydraulic analysis of sprinkler systems
- JOB COST ESTIMATOR for cost estimating
- HASS HOUSE® for residential sprinkler analysis
- COOSA® for CO2 system analysis.

All 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:**

Huquenot 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 preaction 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 Phone: 603.434.0502 FAX: 603.434.1348 Website: www.hydracad.com

### Founded: 1972

Primary Products/Services: Fire Protection Design Software & Service

#### 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

### **Company Profile:**

Hydratec has been providing quality software and design services for over 40 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 v51/52 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 HydraCALC for REVIT for direct hydraulic analysis of Revit models. These packages can be used separately, or as an integrated set to provide the best possible AutoCAD-based solution for 2D and 3D design, BIM, Navisworks coordination and true REVIT content integration.

### Hydro Flow Products, Inc.

1330 Ensell Rd Lake Zurich, II 60047 Phone: 847.434.0101 Toll Free: 888.202.9987 FAX: 847.434.0073 Website: www.hosemonster.com

Founded:

### 1996

Primary Products/Services: Fire pump and fire flow test equipment

Market Area: Global

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

Management: Fred Grenning, President

Sales Contact: Michael, Lori

### **Company Profile:**

We at Hydro Flow Products are dedicated to providing equipment that makes the tasks of fire pump testing and fire flow testing safe, accurate and simple.

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197 Poplar Street Ste. 5 No. Aurora, Illinois 60542 Tel: 331.454.7800 FAX: 331.454.7801

### 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.

### JG Innovations, Inc.

P.O. Box 8128 Janesville, Wisconsin 53547 Phone: 608.314.8710 Toll Free: 888.933.2248 FAX: 608.314.8712 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

Management: Jack Grice, P.E., CEO Allen Stowers, President Nancy Knilans, Marketing Manager

### Sales Contact:

Allen Stowers Phone: 608-314-8710 E-mail: sales@jgius.com

### **Company Profile:**

JG Innovations, Inc. is the #1 source for pipe concealment systems. Our concealment systems are designed to cover one or multiple exposed pipe or mechanicals. The Soffi-Steel® and Interlock™ Concealment Systems are manufactured to your specification and are available in light to heavy duty 24-16 gauge galvannealed steel. These durable, streamlined concealment systems have been rigorously tested and carry industry approvals such as Factory Mutual Approval and/or are UL/ULC Listed. Our ALumA-Fit<sup>™</sup> Concealment System is made from .030 Aluminum and can be fabricated to your dimension requirements on the job-site - allowing for any on-site layout or design changes. Our concealment systems are being specified by architects and engineers to enclose exposed pipe and mechanicals in:

- Universities
- Nursing Homes
- Assisted Living Communities
- $-\,$  VA Hospitals and Clinics
- PK-12 Schools
- Residential Properties
- College Dormitories
- Student Housing
- Psychiatric Facilities
- Detention Centers
- Jails and Prisons
- Commercial Buildings

Our full-line of products are custom fabricated in a variety of shapes and sizes to accommodate your individual enclosure requirements. Our unmatched customer service coupled with our staff of professional installers put our products above any competitive product being considered. We take pride in the system design and integrity and back our products with a 10-year limited warranty. We are confident that both you and your client will be fully satisfied.

### KENNEDY VALVE/Division of McWane, Inc.

1021 E. Water Street PO Box 931 Elmira, NY 14902 Phone: 607.734.2211 FAX: 607.734.3288

Founded: 1877

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### Primary Products/Services:

A variety of valve products that meet AWWA specifications.

### Management:

John Chalk, Customer Service Manager

### **KEY2ACT**

1970 S. Calhoun Road New Berlin, Wisconsin 53151 Phone: 262.821.4100 email: contact@key2act.com Website: www.KEY2ACT.com

### Founded:

1995

Market Area: North America

Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., M-F

### Management:

John Jazwiec, CEO Jeff Schilling, Exec VP Research & Development Gina Renner Exec VP Sales & Mktg Carly Vento, Exec VP Professional Services Tim Conroy, Exec VP. Field Service Management Software

### Company Profile:

KEY2ACT is the construction and field service technology leader. Combining 20 years of experience serving customers with visionary leadership, KEY2ACT delivers differentiating innovation to its customers. KEY2ACT is focused on mechanical and non-mechanical specialty trades, facilities maintenance and other large asset or equipment-centric industries. Built on Microsoft technologies, KEY2ACT's solution, Signature, has achieved the Certified for Microsoft Dynamics (CfMD) status, Microsoft's highest accreditation for partner-developed solutions. KEY2ACT protects customers' investments in technology through focused solutions that create workflow efficiencies, enhance cost savings and build customer loyalty. For more information on KEY2ACT, please visit us at www.key2act.com, or call 1-866-KEY2ACT (1-866-539-2228).

### Long Island Pipe Supply, Inc.

586 Commercial Ave. Garden City, New York 11530 Phone: 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.

### Loos and Company, Inc.

901 Industrial Boulevard Naples, Florida 34104 Phone: 239.643.5667 Toll-Free: 800.321.5667 FAX: 239.643.4558 Website: www.earthguakebrace.com

#### Founded: 1958

**Primary Products/Services:** Wire Rope, Cable & Fittings

Market Area: Worldwide

Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Mon-Fri

Management: Phillip Cox, Vice President/Sales & Mktg

Sales Contact: Phillip Cox Tel: 800.321.5667 Fax: 239.643.4558

### **Company Profile:**

Loos & Company has been in business since 1958. We operate out of two manufacturing facilities one in Pomfrey, CT and one in Naples, FL. Our Naples facility manufactures our Loos seismic wire rope and cable bracing products. Our complete seismic bracing line is UL listed and included in NFPA 13 Standard for Installation of Fire Sprinkler Systems.

### Master Control Systems, Inc.

910 North Shore Drive Lake Bluff, Illinois 60044 Phone: 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 Phone: 312.738.3800 FAX: 312.738.0415 Email: zekeb@metraflex.com Website: www.metraflex.com

Founded: 1958

**Primary Products/Services:** Seismic Expansion Joints

Market Area: Worldwide

Hours of Operation: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. CST Mon.-Fri.

Sales Contact: Janet Torres, Account Manager Email: janett@metraflex.com

### **Company Profile:**

The FM approved Metraflex® Fireloop® seismic expansion joint for fire sprinkler systems accommodates movement in all directions. Meets NFPA 13 guidelines. UL listed. The FireVoop seismic expansion joint is a great alternative to the Fireloop. It has a different footprint with a shorter hangdown. UL Listed. Meets NFPA 13. Visit www.metrafire.com

### **Newburgh Windustrial**

65 Jeanne Drive Newburgh, New York 12550 Phone: 845.566.5300 FAX: 845.566.5340 Website: www.newburghwindustrial.com

### Management:

Dean Lucas, President James Lucas, Vice President

**Outside Sales Representative:** David J. Vandevar Cell: 914.646.3283

### **Company Profile:**

As part of a national wholesale distribution organization, known as WinSupply Inc., 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 Phone: 800.878.5788 FAX: 231.799.8850 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** Nelson Wilner, Vice President-Sales & Marketing

### Sales Contact:

George Rudolph Phone: 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 Phone: 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 Nick Badalato service manager 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.

### **Patterson Pump Company**

2129 Ayersville Rd. Toccoa, GA 30577 Phone: 706.886.2101 Website: www.pattersonpumps.com

### **Company Profile:**

Rugged. Reliable. Efficient. and Self Contained. Timely delivery of rugged, reliable and responsive fire suppression pumps and prepackaged systems is critical. Whether we're meeting stringent customer standards, unheard-of deadlines or just going the extra mile to ensure customer satisfaction, more and more customers are choosing Patterson's Sentinel<sup>™</sup> Series Fire Pump products and services to securely fulfill their fire protection needs.

### **Peerless Pump Company**

2005 Dr. Martin L. King Jr. St. Indianapolis, Indiana 56202 Phone: 317.925.9661 Email: tballengee@grundfos.com Website: www. Peerlesspump.com

### Founded:

1923

### Primary Products/Services: Fire pumps and accessories

Market Area: Global

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

### Management: Mike Cates, General Manager Tim Ballengee, VP Sales, Fire Market

Sales Contact: Tim Ballengee, Business Director, VP. Sales, Fire Market Phone: 919.656.2243 FAX: 919.654.6791 Email: tballengee@grundfos.com

#### **Company Profile:**

Peerless Pump is the global leader in fire pump systems and accessories, covering the widest range of selections in the industry. Specialties include pumps and packages for the commercial, high-rise, industrial and power industries, inclusive of skidded and environmental (house type) enclosed packaged systems.

### Pentair-CADDY

34600 Solon Road Solon, Ohio 44139 Phone: 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 & 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 market-leading brand, CADDY fixing, fastening, and support products. For more information on CADDY, please visit erico. pentair.com

### Office Locations:

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

### **Permabond Engineering Adhesives**

223 Churchill Ave. Somerset, New Jersey 08873 Phone: 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 Phone: 330.482.9256 Toll Free: 800.321.2736 FAX: 330.482.2763 Website: www.phd-mfg.com

### Founded:

1972

### **Primary Products/Services:**

Pipe hangers, beam supports, struts & accessories

Market Area: U.S., Europe, Asia

### Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Mon.-Fri.

### Management:

Joe Corvino, President Dave Neal, National Sales Manager Rick Persing, Nat'l Sales Manager-Sprinkler Division

### Sales Contact:

Rick Persing, Nat'l Sales Manager, Sprinkler Division Phone & FAX: 514.536.3857

### **Company Profile:**

An industry leader in the pipe hanger supports and strut markets. PHD has successfully built a reputation of quality, customer service and dependable deliveries. Our expansive product lines, including seismic and CPVC, is well-suited to meet the needs of the Fire Protection Industry, We are excited to meet the challenges and build the same success in this expanding market place.

### **Pipe Fabricators**

8580 Valley Forge Lane N Maple Grove, Minnesota 55369 Phone: 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 Phone: 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.

### **Plumbers Supply Company**

1000 E. Main St. Louisville, Kentucky 40206 Phone: 502.540.0223 Toll Free: 800.626.5133 FAX: 502.540.0330 Website: www.plumbers-supply-co.com

### Founded: 1921

Primary Products/Services: 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 Phone: 317-783-2981 Cell: 317-557-1559 Email: Brian.Roberts@plumbers-supply-co.com

### INSIDE SALES: INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Inside Sales Manager: Jason Davis Phone: 317-472-8921 Cell: 317-450-6764 Email: Jason.Davis@plumbers-supply-co.com Dale Sigler Phone:317-472-8903 Email: Dale.Sigler@plumbers-supply-co.com

### INSIDE SALES: LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

Inside Sales Manager: Mike Newton Phone: 502-540-0332 Cell: 502-817-2079 Email: Mike.Newton@plumbers-supply-co.com Sam Alvey Phone: 502-540-0223 Cell: 502-550-2053 Email: Sam.Alvey@plumbers-supply-co.com Beau Jones Phone:502-540-0332 Email: Beau.Jones@plumbers-supply-co.com

### INSIDE SALES: LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY

Ronnie Wilson Phone: 859-255-0700 Cell: 859-621-5278 Email: Ron.Wilson@plumbers-supply-co.com

### INSIDE SALES: EVANSVILLE, INDIANA

Brent Mabrey Phone: 812.425.3115 Cell: 812.305.3203 Email: Brent.Mabrey@plumbers-supply-co.com

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

John Jutz Phone: 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

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### **Potter Electric Signal Company**

5757 Phantom Drive St. Louis, Missouri 63042 Toll-Free: 314.595.6900 FAX: 314.595.6999 email: sales@pottersignal.com Website: www.pottersignal.com

Founded: 1898

#### Primary Products/Services:

Flow, Pressure, Tamper switches along with corrosion monitoring and 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, corrosion monitoring, MIC testing, and corrosion mitigation. At Potter, we supply our customers with products that provide real world solutions and unequaled service and technical support. Our employees are committed to providing the very best product and service available for the protection of life and property.

### **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.



### **Powers Fasteners**

2 Powers Lane Brewster, New York 10509 Phone: 800.524.3244 FAX: 877.871.1965 email: engineering@powers.com

### **Primary Products/Services:**

Construction Anchors

Market Area: Global

Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. EST, Monday – Friday

### Management:

Kirk Reimer, V.P., Commercial

Sales Contact: Tim Cleary, Customer Service Phone: 800.524.3244 FAX: 877.871.1965

### **Company Profile:**

Powers Fasteners has been a worldwide pioneer in the fastening industry since 1921 and today is the leading supplier of concrete and masonry anchors and fastening systems in North America. Powers has extensive engineering and manufacturing expertise in several product groups, including mechanical anchors, adhesive anchoring systems and powered forced-entry systems such as powder-actuated and gas fastening systems.

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

159 Express Street Plainview, NY 11803 Phone: 516.349.5959 Website: www.quimbyinc.com Email: info@quimbyinc.com

### **Primary Products/Services:**

Pump Sales Management:

Greg Ross, Sales Representative



### **Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co. Inc.**

103 Fairview Park Drive Elmsford, New York 10523 Phone: 914.829.2042 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:

Frank J. Fee, III - Chairman of the Board Kevin T. Fee - President Michael R. Fee – Executive V.P. John McNamara – V.P., Corporate Sales Rex Schwendiman – V.P., System Components Tom Multer – V.P., Product Technology Graeme Leonard – V.P., International Sales Kevin T. Fee, Jr. V.P., Sales - Americas

### **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 a global distributor of sprinkler system components. Reliable offers fabrication in located areas. Headquartered in Elmsford, New York, the company has a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in Liberty, South Carolina and has offices strategically located throughout the US and internationally. Reliable provides innovative, quality fire protection solutions for commercial, industrial and residential projects while maintaining unrivalled customer service that only a family-owned company can offer. Go to www. reliablesprinkler.com to learn more!

### **CORPORATE OFFICE:**

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

### **CORPORATE MANUFACTURING FACILITY:**

1470 Smith Grove Road Liberty, SC 29657 Tel.: 864.843.1700

### WORLDWIDE DISTRIBUTION CENTERS & SALES OFFICES:

NORTHEAST REGION: New York, NY (Elmsford) Tel.: 800.431.1588 Fax: 800.848.6051

MID-ATLANTIC REGION: Washington, DC (Lorton, VA) Tel.: 877.883.8831 Fax: 877.851.1553

SOUTHEAST REGION: Atlanta, GA (Norcross) Tel.: 800.652.1819 Fax: 800.848.6052

**Orlando, FL (Longwood)** Tel.: 800.801.3097 Fax: 800.862.0934

MIDWEST REGION: Chicago, IL (Hanover Park) Tel.: 800.228.6274 Fax: 800.848.6053

Minneapolis, MN (Roseville) Tel.: 877.827.2816 Fax: 877.827.3043 SOUTHWEST REGION: Dallas, TX Tel.: 800.442.6742 Fax: 800.848.6054

Houston, TX Tel: 866.978.9965 Fax: 866.978.9979

Denver, CO Tel.: 877.440.2598 Fax: 877.205.7230

Los Angeles, CA (Brea) Tel.: 800.352.4365 Fax: 800.848.6055

San Francisco, CA (San Leandro) Tel.: 800.352.4365 Fax: 800.848.6055

Seattle, WA (Kent) Tel.: 877.327.2563 Fax: 877.327.2574

### FABRICATION:

Grand Prairie, TX: Tel: 972.352.6400 Fax: 972.352.6402

Portland, OR Tel: 503.282.5506 Fax: 503.282.0092

Denver, CO Tel.: 877.440.2598 Fax: 877.205.7230

### **INTERNATIONAL:**

**TORONTO CANADA** Tel.: 800.790.6443 Fax: 800.790.6486

WESTERN CANADA Tel.: 604.542.1864 Fax: 604.542.1894

MEXICO & LATIN AMERICA Tel.: 800.442.6742 Fax: 800.848.6054

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DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES Tel: +971.4880.8830

### **Relmark Group**

961 Pottstown Pike Chester Springs, PA 19425 Phone: 610.321.1010 Website: www.relmarkgroup.com

Primary Products/Services: Fire Sprinkler Contractor General Liability Sales Contact: Ray Rittersbach email:rrittersbach@relmarkgroup.com

Insurance

**RJB Wholesale, Inc.** 12418 NE 124th Street Kirkland, Washington 98034 Tel: 206.707.3385



**The Solberg Company** 

1520 Brookfield Avenue Green Bay, Wisconsin 54313 Phone: 920.593.9445 FAX: 930.593.9464 email: info@solbergfoam.com website: 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: Steve Hansen, Gen. Mgr.

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 email: mark.pillow@solbergfoam.com

### **Company Profile:**

Solberg is your one-stop resource for Class A and B firefighting foam concentrates and customdesigned foam suppression systems hardware. An Amerex Corporation company, Solberg has the expertise, capabilities and resources to serve the fire protection and firefighting industry. 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.

### **BRANCH OFFICES**

The Solberg Company 1714 Indiana Ave. La Porte, IN 46350 Jim Scott, Midwest Reg. Sales Mgr. Tel: 219.380.5734 email: jim.scott@solbergfoam.com

The Solberg Company 6477 Deerfield Drive New Hope, PA 18938 Jim Schwander, Eastern Reg. Sales Mgr. Tel: 267.293.0342 email: jim.schwander@solbergfoam.com

#### The Solberg Company

15211 Rio Plaza Drive Houston, TX 77083 Mark Wise, Southern Reg. Sales Mgr. Tel: 281.561.0054 email: mark.wise@solbergfoam.com

### **South-Tek Systems**

2940 Orville Wright Way Wilmington, North Carolina 28405 Phone: 910.332.4173

### **SPP Pumps**

2905 Pacific Dr. Norcross, Georgia 30071 Phone: 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 Phone: 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 Phone: 413.737.6371 FAX: 413.734.3470



### Starfire, Inc.

9825 South 54th Street Franklin, Wisconsin 53132-8668 Phone: 414.483.5959 Fax: 414.483.1566 Email: info@starfireusa.com Website:

www.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:

Gil Brzezinski, Vice President Tel: 414.483.5959 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.

### **System Sensor**

3825 Ohio Avenue St. Charles, IL 60174 Phone: 630.377.6580 Toll-Free:800.736.7672 FAX: 630.377.6495 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:

Todd Rief, President, Honeywell Security and Fire, North America Dave Pakech, VP of Security and Fire Sales Chuck Kitts, Director of Fire Sprinkler Sales Jackie Lorenty, 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 guick and easy to install and maintain.

### **Talco Industries**

6040 NE 117th Ave. Portland, Oregon 97220 Phone: 503.668.1231 Toll Free: 800.878.8055 FAX: 503.688.1234 Email: gi@talcofire.com Website: www.talcofire.com

### Founded:

1981

### **Primary Products/Services:**

Packaged fire pump systems for commercial and Home fire protection Market Area: U.S. & Canada

Hours of Operations:

Monday – Friday

### Sales Contact:

Scott Shaffer Email: ss@talcofire.com

### Company Profile:

Talco manufacturers all sorts for packaged pump systems for Commercial and Residential applications. We have released our HOME HYDRANT models with a water storage tank with integral pump system installed through a molded hole in the tank with all package piping and connections included. Just water and drain connections and power to the pressure switch and the system is ready to go. Many other models are available to meet your system requirements.

### **Tank Connection**

3609 N. 16th Parsons, Kansas 67357 Phone: 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.

### Tarsco Bolted Tank, Inc.

5897 State Highway 59 Goodman, Missouri 64843 Phone: 866.700.2500 FAX: 417.845.5592 Website: http://usatanksales.com

### **Telgian Corporation**

2615 South Industrial Park Avenue Tempe, Arizona 85282 Phone: 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 a number of 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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### Founded: 1967

### **Primary Products/Services:**

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

Market Area:

Worldwide

### **Total Equipment**

400 5th Coraopolis, Pennsylvania 15108 Phone: 412.269..0999 Website: www.totalequipment.com

### Trademaster, Inc.

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### **Tyco Fire Protection Products**

1400 Pennbrook Pkwy Lansdale, Pennsylvania 19446 Phone: 215.362.0700 Toll Free: 800.558.5236 FAX: 800.877.1295 Website: www.TycoFire.com, www.TycoRapidResponse.com, www.SprinkCAD.com, www.Ansul.com, www.Pyrochem.com, www.Grinnell.com, www.OnlineTechXchange.com

Founded: 1850

### Primary Products/Services:

Water & Chemical based Fire Protection Products, 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:

Colleen Repplier, President Rekha Agrawal, G.M., Water and Mechanical Rajeev Arora, VP & GM Fire Detection and Special Hazard Products

### Sales Contact:

Michael Mottice, Director of Sales, Americas Tel: 800.558.5236 Fax: 800.877.1295

### **Company Profile:**

Tyco Fire Protection Products traces its roots to the companies that pioneered the Fire Sprinkler Industry at the turn of the last century: Grinnell sprinkler, Star Sprinkler and Central Sprinkler. Through the years, our innovative solutions have continually reinvented, improved and expanded the fire protection market. Industry firsts include concealed sprinklers, quick response sprinklers. residential sprinklers, and advances in storage protection that have evolved to protect changes in sorted commodities and storage technology. This innovation continues today with our continuous investment in education, research and development, software solutions and an unwavering commitment to saving lives and property.

### United Brass Works, Inc.

714 South Main Street Randleman, North Carolina 27317 Phone: 800.334.3035 FAX: 800.498.4696 Email: jim.sattler@ubw.com Website: www.ubw.com

### Founded:

1910

Primary Products/Services: bronze valves / custom cast and machined products

Market Area: Worldwide

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

### Management:

Mike Berkelhammer, President

### Sales Contact:

Jim Sattler, Sales Manager Email: sales @ubw.com

### **Company Profile:**

United Brass Works, Inc manufactures a wide range of bronze valves for fire protection applications including globe, angle and check valves along with bronze UL/FM OS&Y gate valves. United also manufactures ductile iron products such as wafer checks, groove checks and M X F check valves all of which are UL and F.M. approved.

Uponor Inc.

5925 148th Street West Apple Valley, Minnesota 55124 Phone: 800-321-4739 FAX: 952.891.2008 Email: eric.skare@uponor.com Website: www.uponor-usa.com

Founded:

1620 *yes, 1620* 

Primary Products/Services: Residential Fire Sprinkler Systems

Market Area: North America

Management:

Eric Skare, Product Manager

### **Company Profile:**

Uponor's PEX-a based AquaSAFE residential fire sprinkler systems are listed to UL 1821 and provide a flexible solution meeting NFPA 13D requirements. Uponor provides exceptional support, training, products and materials to ensure peace of mind for homeowners, installers and AHJ's.



**Victaulic Company** 

4901 Kesslersville Road Easton, Pennsylvania 18040 Toll-Free: 800.PICK.VIC Website: www.victaulic.com

Founded: 1925

Market Area: Global

Management: Bob Freidl, V.P., Market Dev.

### 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.

# NIKING®

### **The Viking Group**

210 N. Industrial Park Drive Hastings, Michigan 49058 Telephone: 269-945-9501 Toll Free: 800-968-9501 FAX: 269-945-9599 Internet: www.vikinggroupinc.com

#### Founded: 1897

1897

### Primary Products/Services:

- Fire Sprinklers and Systems
- Fire Protection Valves
- CPVC Pipe and Fittings
- Fabrication Services
- VGS® 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

### Management:

Kevin Ortyl, Chairman and CEO, Viking Group Joe Bardowski, Vice President - Operations, Viking SupplyNet

Tom O'Connor, President, Viking Corporation Mike Bosma, Executive Vice President - Sales, Viking SupplyNet

Cary Nicol, Vice President - Sales, Viking SupplyNet

### Sales Contact:

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### **Company Profile:**

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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### Viking SupplyNet (Houston)

6911 Fairbanks North Houston Road, Suite 100 Houston, TX 77040 Phone: 713-896-8464 Fax: 713-896-8429 south@supplynet.com Sales Contact: Paul Swan, Jeff Graham

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Regional Headquarters 4B Cranberry Road Parsippany, NJ 07054 Telephone: 973-541-2580 Fax: 269-818-1639 east@supplynet.com Sales Contact: Drew Slocum, Terry Laffey, Jim Dooley

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### Viking SupplyNet (Baltimore / Washington)

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### Watts

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### Management:

Ken Nolan, National Product Manager

### **Company Profile:**

Founded in 1874, Watts, part of the Watts Water Technologies family, is one of the world's largest independent valve companies with 10 factories in the United States and Canada. Watts Regulator designs, manufactures, and sells an extensive line of flow control products for the water quality, residential plumbing and heating, commercial and OEM markets.

### F.W. Webb Company

152 Will Drive Canton, Massachusetts 02021 Phone: 781. 828.5559 FAX: 781. 828.8060 Website: www.fwwebb.com

#### **Company Profile:**

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.

### Wheatland Tube Company

700 S. Dock Street Sharon, Pennsylvania 16146 Phone: 724.983.1692 Toll Free: 800.257.8182 FAX: 724.346.7260 Website: www.wheatland.com

### Founded:

1877

### Primary Products/Services:

Sprinkler, Standard Pipe, Mechanical A53 and A106 Seamless Fence Framework and electrical conduit.

### Sales Contact:

Bob Bussiere, GM Fire Sprinkler Sales

### Company Profile:

Wheatland Tube Company has a broad range of listed and approved steel pipe for use in fire sprinkler systems., from our engineered light wall family of Mega products to standard wall schedule 10 & 40 with sizes to 8". MIC SHIELD™ is the only factory applied antimicrobial coating approved by FM and Lubrizol for use in hybrid sprinkler systems in conjunction with CPVC fire sprinkler systems. Wheatland has products to suit your steel sprinkler applications. For engineering ease, Wheatland also offers the needed seismic and hydraulic calculation data on all products for proper design applications.

### Wilkins, a Zurn Company

1747 Commerce Way Paso Robles, California 93446 Phone: 805.238.7100 FAX: 805.238.5766 Website: www.zurn.com

Founded:

1906

### Primary Products/Services:

Valves for Fire Suppression Systems

Market Area: Worldwide

Hours of Operation: 6:30 a.m. . 5:00 p.m. PST Mon..Fri.

### Management:

Chris Connors, General Manager Rick Fields, Vice President, Sales & Marketing Mike Mallas, Sales Manager Fire Protection

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### **Company Profile:**

Wilkins, a Zurn Company, offers a complete line of American made factory set, easy field adjustable, and master zone control valves. Available in  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " – 6" sizes, in angle and inline pattern and threaded, flanged, and grooved connections.

### Let's stay in touch!





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# Hydraulic Analysis: Cut Ends of Pipe

he basic principle at the core of any automatic fire sprinkler system is to supply enough water to a fire incident in order to control or suppress that fire. With the arrival of the density/area design method to NFPA 13, the older method of pipe schedule systems has become obsolete and modern fire sprinkler systems have become reliant on accurate hydraulic calculations. Performing hydraulic calculations, either by hand or with a calculation program, allows a technician to layout a system to provide enough water for the appropriate classification of occupancy or commodity being protected, while also optimizing the pipe diameters and the cost of the system. Because it controls the material costs of the project, this is arguably one of the most important aspects of any automatic fire sprinkler system.

# **Hydraulic Calculations**

Before delving into this article, which is a discussion on the cut ends of pipes and their effect on hydraulics, we should briefly summarize some aspects of the hydraulic calculation process. While this will be a brief conversation on hydraulic calculation, Robert Upson, NFSA Manager of Engineering Services, wrote an article exploring the background and mathematics behind hydraulic calculations for sprinkler systems in our 2014 March/April edition of **SQ** that can be found in the Members Only section of www.nfsa.org. As many of us know, when laying out sprinkler systems being supplied by water (assuming no additives), we would use the Hazen-Williams formula as the basis for the friction loss in our hydraulic calculation. NFPA 13 provides this equation in section 23.4.2.1.1.

$$p = \frac{4.52 \, Q^{1.85}}{C^{1.85} d^{4.87}}$$

Where:

p= frictional resistance (psi/ft of pipe) Q =flow (gpm)

C = friction loss coefficient (roughness coefficient)

This formula outputs a friction loss in psi per foot of pipe and it is dependent on three factors;

- 1. inside pipe diameter
- 2. the flow demand through a length of pipe
- 3. the C-factor (roughness factor of the pipe)

While this accounts for the friction loss through straight runs of pipe, we also encounter pressure changes through elevation and pressure loss from flow through fittings and devices. Elevation pressure is derived based on the waters own weight under gravity and is expressed as either +/- 0.433 psi/ft. depending on whether you are gaining or losing elevation. Pressure loss through fittings is due to water changing direction through either a turn in the piping (tee or elbow) or maneuvering through a valve and overcoming any physical characteristics of the valve.

NFPA 13 provides us Table 23.4.3.1.1

which gives various fittings of various sizes an equivalent length of Schedule 40 steel pipe length. This table can be directly applied when using fittings within sections of the sprinkler piping utilizing Schedule 40 steel pipe. However, it needs to be modified to account for differing actual inside pipe diameter and C-factors if utilizing any pipe or tube other than Schedule 40 steel pipe. The modifier for differences in actual inside pipe diameter in respect to Schedule 40 steel pipe inside pipe diameter can be found under section 23.4.3.1.3 of NFPA 13. A table is provided with multipliers for pipe or tube with a different C-Factor than steel pipe under Table 23.4.3.2.1.

# So why do we bring this up in a discussion on cut ends of pipe?

Table 1 provides equivalent lengths of pipe of selected fittings and diameters. The general trend of the table is that larger pipe diameters equate to longer length of equivalent pipe, and the more physical the characteristic of the bend/ valve the larger the length of pipe. This is also true for Table 23.4.3.1.1 in NFPA

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13 that contains even more sizes and devices. For example, a 2-inch 45-degree turn equates to 2 feet of Schedule 40 steel pipe, while a standard 90 degree turn equates to more than twice that at 5 feet of equivalent Schedule 40 steel pipe. This means that when the Hazen-Williams formula is used for calculating friction loss, more pressure will be lost from the 90-degree turn than would be with the 45-degree turn.

# (see Table 1) (see Figures 1 & 2)

Here we have pictures of two different valves. Figure 1 shows a butterfly valve while figure 2 shows an Outside Screw and Yolk (OS&Y) gate valve in both the open and closed position. If, for example, we assume these were both 3-inch valves, we can see from Table 23.4.3.1.1 that the butterfly valve produces an equivalent 10 feet of Schedule 40 steel pipe and the OS&Y valve and, even though there are no visual obstructions when open, will create an equivalent friction loss of 1-foot of Schedule 40 steel pipe. While the hydraulic demand of an additional foot of Schedule 40 black steel pipe is not a significant numerical value, this expresses the idea that even small physical inconsistencies in the waterway can create friction and consequently a loss of pressure. Here is where we now start our discussion on cut end pipes and any effect it may have on hydraulic calculations.

# Factory Machined Pipe vs. Cut End Pipes/Reamed Pipe

When pipes are cut to appropriate lengths for installations, burrs (raised edges or small piece of materials) can be created along that edge. Section 6.5.6. of NFPA 13 deals with End Treatment of pipes and fittings and requires that, "After cutting, pipe ends shall have burrs and fins removed". A common practice is then to ream these ends of pipe to shave off these burrs and fins. While slightly altering the edge of a single pipe end would not create a significant effect to the overall pressure loss through friction throughout a sprinkler system, the guestion arose if the altering of each and every cut end of pipe in a system would have a hydraulic effect on water delivery. Factory Mutual Research Corporation conducted research on this exact concept in 1996 for Allied Tube and Conduit where they evaluated the flow characteristics of their "XL" threadable thinwall sprinkler pipe with and without machining burrs on the lip of the inside diameter at the first thread. The test compared pipe "asmachined", with slight burring, verses fully reamed pipe which displayed little or no internal burring. Three tests were conducted; the first examining 1 inch NPS diameter pipe at 21 foot samples, the second 2 inch NPS diameter pipe at 21 foot samples and the third 1 inch NPS diameter pipe at 10 foot samples. Each of these tests provided 3 samples of "asmachined" and 3 samples of fully reamed pipe which were then tested together such the total test would flow through 63 feet of pipe or 30 feet of pipe for both 21 foot sample testing and 10 foot sample testing, respectively. Each test arrangement was also tested a 20 different flows which ranged from 5 gpm up to 435 gpm.

# **Test Results**

For this discussion we have selected data from the first series. Table 2 provides the physical dimensions of the pipe used,

<u>Table 1 - Fitting</u>	Table 1 - Fittings and Valves Expressed in Equivalent Feet of Schedule 40 Steel Pipe							
Fittings and Valves	1 in.	1 ¼ in.	1 ½ in.	2 in.	2 ½ in.	3 in.		
45 elbow	1	1	2	2	3	3		
90 elbow	2	3	4	5	6	7		
Butterfly Valve				6	7	10		
Gate Valve				1	1	1		

	Table 2 - Physical Dimensions of Test Pipe from First Test Series				
Size and length	Inlet condition	Average Measured Inside Diameter	Average Lip Height		
1 inch x 21 feet	Reamed	1.093	0.007		
1 inch x 21 feet	As-Machined	1.006	0.049		





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while table 3 provides the tested flow and pressures recorded. This test used pressure sensors at the beginning of the 63 foot length of test pipe and a pressure sensor at the end to measure pressure loss through the pipe arrangements.

### (see Table 2 & 3)

Using this data, Factory Mutual Research compared the results against what a system was calculated too based off of the Hazen-Williams formula (using a C-factor of 120). Plugging in our values from the reamed test arrangements where Q=30 gpm, C=120 and d=1.094, the Hazen-Williams formula gives us a theoretical friction loss of 14.14 psi through 63 feet of pipe. Factory Mutual Research observed that the friction loss through 63 feet of pipe to be 8.34 psi. When we calculate a theoretical friction loss through the "as-machined" test arrangement, changing our inside pipe diameter to be d=1.006, we would expect to have a 21.28 psi loss over this 63 feet of pipe. Again, Factory Mutual observed through testing that this friction loss is 8.98 psi. This trend remained the same for all 20 test flows for each of the three testing arrangements; the calculated theoretical friction loss through pipe was lower than the test results, which is to be expected as Hazen-Williams uses a conservative C-Factor intended for 20 year old pipe.

More importantly though, when we examine the difference in these values we find that there is a smaller percentage difference between reamed and as-machined values when we compare the test data to the theoretical calculated value. Table 4 compares the percentage difference between these values for 30 gpm flow. This shows that the difference between reamed and As-machined pipe is smaller than what we would calculate to when using the actual inside pipe diameter. Again, this held true for all tests.

### (see Table 4)

Factory Mutual concluded then that, "In summary, the differences observed between "As-machined" and "Reamed" pipe were negligible and entirely within [what] one would consider normal pipeto-pipe variation".

In addition to their findings, Chapter 23 of NFPA 13, Section 23.4.2.4 states that "Hydraulic Junction points shall balance within 0.5 psi (0.03 bar). Looking back at the data in Table 3 we can see that for both the 30 gpm flow test and the 56 gpm flow test that the difference in psi loss was a 0.64 psi and a -0.50 psi, respectively. The maximum difference in pressure of all 60 test flows was a difference of 1.60 psi, with the average of all test being a difference 0.39. When we look at that, in conjunction with the tolerance of balancing within 0.5 psi per hydraulic junction point on a system, we can conclude that these small difference between the as-machined and reamed pipes are well within the tolerances allowed by NFPA 13.

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	Table 3 – 1 inch Allied "XL" Sprinkler Pipe Friction Loss Average					
Flow	Nominal Velocity (ft/sec)	Measured Friction Loss (psi)		Δ Friction Loss	Percentage Difference	
GPM		Reamed	As- Machined	(Machined-Reamed) (psi)	<u>As Machined x</u> 100 Reamed	
30.0	10	8.34	8.98	0.64	108	
56.0	19	29.13	28.59	-0.50	96	

Table 4 – Comparison of Observed Friction Loss vs. Theoretical Calculations					
			Δ Friction Loss	Percentage	
	1 inch Reamed	1 inch As Machined	(Machined-	Difference	
	– 30 gpm test	– 30 gpm test	Reamed)	As Machined x 100	
			(psi)	Reamed	
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of dollars in travel and lodging expense for those who want to be active in the code hearings. Most important, it makes the entire code process more democratic.

Among the features offered on the cdpACCESS portal are:

- The ability for online collaboration with one or many colleagues;
- The capacity to view, download and print the Code Change Agenda;
- The opportunity for online users to submit floor modifications at the Committee Action Hearings\*;
- The capability to vote online for assembly floor motions following the Committee Action Hearing. All ICC Members are eligible to vote online on assembly floor motions;
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- The ability to create and submit online public comments to the Committee Action Hearing results;
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- The ability for ICC Governmental Member Voting Representatives and Honorary Members to vote online on proposed code changes/ public comments following the Public Comment Hearing.

# Prepping and Testing cdpACCESS

Since not everyone is an expert in a digital world, cdpACCESS developers have made the tool "user-friendly." With a few simple steps, anyone with access to the World Wide Web can submit code development proposals for consideration. ICC has tested cdpACCESS extensively on a wide variety of Windows and Apple computers and the iPad. cdpACCESS is designed for use on Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari and Chrome. Internet Explorer version 7 and earlier versions are not supported. Analysis of ICC website traffic has shown this will affect a very small percentage of users.

Support for cdpACCESS includes help by phone and email to answer questions, receive comments and suggestions, and report any system errors. The toll-free cdpACCESS hotline is 855-ICC-CDP-1 (422-2371); email can be sent to cdpAC-CESS@iccsafe.org. Detailed cdpACCESS instructions and a schedule of upcoming webinars can be viewed at www.iccsafe. org/cdpaccess/.

# Summary

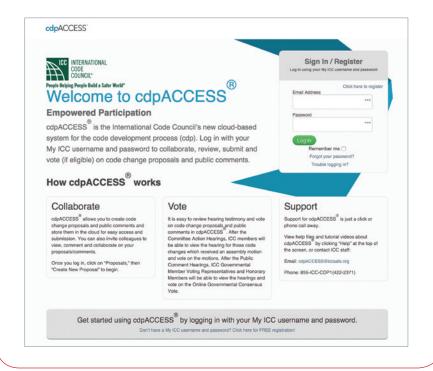
The International Code Council (ICC) has long been a leader in developing its codes and standards in a transparent and open process, exceeding even the strict "openness" criteria required by the American National Standards Institute. Going be-

yond the requirement to not impose "undue financial barriers" to participation, ICC has long allowed any individual with an interest to participate in public hearings on code change proposals, and even to vote on issues submitted to the assembly, without payment of any registration fee or participation charge. Providing this access, which is subsidized by the membership and the product sales of the Code Council, has long been a hallmark of the ICC process, and has been a factor in the wide acceptance and adoption of its codes and standards by government entities at every level, and around the world.

# STEP-BY-STEP TO cdpACCESS

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- 3. You will be directed to the *"Welcome to cdpACCESS"* portal where if you are not already registered you will need to register a username and password at the hyperlink at the bottom of the page. It's free.
- 4. Once you are registered, select the green Log In button on the "Welcome to cdpACCESS" portal.
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Our firm has been specializing in fire protection engineering since 1986 and we are excited to celebrate our 30th anniversary this year! We have been a proud sponsor of many of the international and national fire protection associations and have several employees that serve on technical committees for NFPA, as well as many employees that have helped to organize the SFPE-Greater

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compete for the best recipe. Individually,

we have one engineer that competes in

water-skiing. Two employees (one consul-

tant, one support staff) that are doing/

have done triathlons. One employee

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first full marathon in April. One employee (consultant) that is a Boy Scout leader. One employee (support staff) that loves photography. We have several college football fans – mostly of UGA, Tennessee and OSU. We have an employee (support staff) that has helped build houses with Habitat for Humanity, a consultant that plays recreational rugby, an engineer that likes to brew his own beer and an engineer that has volunteered several times to be a judge at our county science fair.

The Meet the PROS feature is available to any NFSA Professional member in good standing. If you are interested in having your company featured here, please contact Joanne Genadio at genadio@nfsa. org or 845.878.4200 x118. Features will be published on a first come, first serve basis.





(left to right) Dale Hansen, Rob McFeaters, and Jim Tuten take time out from our puttputt event to smile for the camera.



(back row, standing left to right): Nolan McCarthy, Cameron LeBlanc, Tom Dannaker, Jeff Harrington, Pat Pickwick, Jim Tuten, Dale Hanse, and Rob McFeaters. (front row "sitting", left to right) Matt Connolly, Patsy Sweeney, and Diane Stone. HGI employees wishing Tom Dannaker well, as he retires from HGI and the fire protection industry

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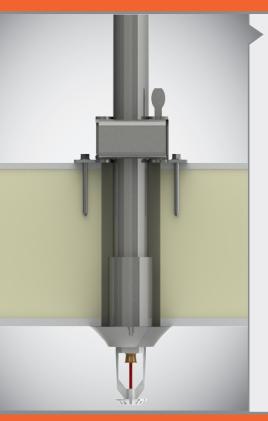
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# A Close-Up Look at the FEMA/HUD Temporary Modular Home with Sprinklers

A different kind of story than most topics in the Social Scene column, but one that should be of great interest to all.

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SOCIAL SCENE

You may have heard that The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has decided to include fire sprinklers in its new manufactured housing units. Following a major disaster, these units serve as a temporary home for displaced victims until they are able to return home or find new permanent housing. The concealed sprinklers accompany smoke alarms throughout the unit.

One of these FEMA/HUD temporary modular homes equipped with fire sprinklers was on exhibit at FEMA Headquarters in Washington, D.C. NFSA Regional Manager **Ray Lonabaugh** attended the exhibition and was able to get some great shots of the home, which will be the first of many.

The modular home is 8'x48'. It has one bedroom. This size allows the home to be moved into location any time during the

day without permitting. The home can go up to 14 feet wide and 60 feet long with two and three bedrooms. However, to move a home that large it would require a permit for over the road. Transport time would only be allowed during certain times of the day.

The pump and tank are a separate module that connects to the home with a heat-traced hose. In the pictures accompanying this article, you will see there are trouble alarms (i.e. temperature) and also a fire alarm.

For this exhibit, the pump and tank module was mounted on a trailer for transport. The tank contained 300 gallons of water and the design is for a seven minute application. The tank has to contain greater than 250 gallons of water, so a safety factor is included. Individual sprinklers have a maximum discharge of 15 GPM. FEMA requirement is for the home to be available from design to delivery in 5 months.

This project took 5- $\frac{1}{2}$  years to complete.





Closeup of P&T controls





Closeup of Water Hose



Fire and trouble alarms on Pump Tank Module



Interior views of manufactured home



# **HO NEWS**

# NFSA Welcomes New Team Members

# Alexander (Alex) Siu CPA

Finance & Administration Department

Alex has risen through the ranks from Assistant Controller to Vice President of Finance in small to multi-million dollar companies. Alex is not only a Certified Public Accountant, but also holds dual Master Degrees in Business Administration, one with concentration in finance and the other in entrepreneurship and technology transfer. In addition to being committed to his profession, Alex is a volunteer Board Member at the Fells Point Corner Theatre in Baltimore, MD.



# Ron Ritchey

Public Fire Protection Department

Ron comes to NFSA after a 23 year fire service career. He served in several roles including Assistant Fire Chief with a focus on fire prevention since 1999. He has a strong background in developing and implementing unique programs and proven experience in making them successful. He is as comfortable in a legislative hearing as he is presenting technical training in the classroom. Ron's experience, skills and abilities are tailor-made to help NFSA in its mission.

We have also added 2 contractors to assist with specific needs. **Rick Dunn** will be working to assist with the development of our online training and LMS system. **Chief Dan Jones** will be assisting us with Fire Team USA events, side by sides, and the re-write of the Step-by-Step Guide and the Retrofit Guide.

Please join us in welcoming these new team members. 0

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# **NEW ENGLAND REGION**



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CONNECTICUT, MAINE, MASSACHUSETTS, NEW HAMPSHIRE, RHODE ISLAND, VERMONT

# Fire Sprinkler Legislation MASSACHUSETTS

2016 has been very active with fire sprinkler legislation activities. Massachusetts has two residential sprinkler bills; HB 2089 and HB 2095. HB 2089 is a local option adoption bill, which if enacted by a local community will require newly constructed one- and two-family homes to have a home fire sprinkler system installed. HB 2095 requires the same, but not as local option and specifically states that the sprinkler system is a stand-alone system. It appears that HB 2089 has the best chance of making it out of the Public Safety Committee. There is no cost to the Commonwealth associated with this bill. It simply allows the democratic process to take place in each community.

# CONNECTICUT

The State of Connecticut recently raised two residential sprinkler bills. HB 5278 requires all newly constructed two-family homes to have a fire sprinkler system installed. On the Senate side, SB 238 will require all newly constructed one- and two-family homes to have a fire sprinkler system installed.

Efforts are being made to have the CT Codes and Standards Committee (CAS) adopt the provisions on the IRC. There have been two obstacles facing the CAS, one being licensing and the other relates to water purveyors.

We feel that there is an established license in Connecticut for sprinkler fitters. Plumbers have been knocking on the door of recent, attempting to get into fire sprinkler installations without the pre-requisite training that a sprinkler apprentice has to go through. The other issue (water) is the same that we see all over the U.S. Stand by fees, separate water lines into the home, backflow prevention, shut off liability issues, etc. However, a recent educational summit that was provided by NFSA and NFPA experts has broken down some of these well-established requirements. And, planning is in process to bring Massachusetts water professionals into the home fire sprinkler conversation.

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### NEW YORK

# Has the New York State Codes Council Reduced Fire Safety Throughout the State?

The New York code set of 2010 was based upon the 2006 I-codes with many New York specific amendments. Many amendments are driven by New York State statute or other rules created by other New York State agencies. The code officials, fire officials, and many contractors of all trades of New York, started pressing the state to maintain the three-year cycle as needed since 2011 to start revisions. The "technical committees" of New York State were brought back to discuss the 2012 I-codes. After the committees finished their duties, no movement was made on their recommendations. As time went on it was apparent that there was not going to be any code updates outside of the federally required Energy Code any time soon.

In 2014, the push came again and discussion ensued with the upcoming 2015 edition of the I-Codes due to be published. The council discussed and motioned to pursue the 2015 I-Codes with as few amendments as possible. This meant that we will lose A-1, A-3, A-4 Occupancies from the New York 100 threshold to the 2015 IBC threshold of 300. A-2 remain

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at 100 which was reduced from 300 in the model codes after the Rhode Island tragedy (which was?).

Later, the New York council decided to remove the fire sprinkler sections of the 2015 IRC. There was much discussion, much testimony and much disregard of the facts. Many New York based emergency services and code associations could hardly believe the code council not only voted to delete the one- & two-family home section, but also the townhouse section!

As of March 9th, the final votes by the council were made and the recommendations are going forward. 180 days from the publishing in the New York Register (around April 1st) the new code set comes into effect approximately October 1st. This cycle for New York State (minus New York City) is the 2015 I-Code set with the New York Supplement book being published.

Many associations, including NFSA, spent many hours in meetings and working the phones to adopt the IRC intact. We at NFSA commend the dozens of people in the limelight and those behind the scenes for the excellent work and the dedication to get the truth out about residential fire sprinklers in one-& two-family residences. Thank you all.

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# **MID-ATLANTIC REGION**

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# February NFSA NJ Chapter Meeting - Raises Money for the Lodi American Legion Post

As you may recall from past editions of the NFSA Mid-Atlantic Report, the

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Lodi American Legion Post in Lodi, New Jersey, experienced a run of bad luck trying to rebuild after a devastating fire destroyed their building (see jul/aug 2014 issue of SQ). Two requirements were holding up the issuance of a certificate of occupancy for their new building. One was the incomplete installation of a fire sprinkler system with several deficiencies. The other requirement was the paving of their parking lot. NFSA Member Charlie Hamilton of Northeast Fire Protection brought the issue to the attention of the NFSA New Jersey Chapter. Charlie together with Sprinkler Fitters Union 696 and NFSA SAM Members, as well other Chapter members, stepped in and replaced the automatic fire sprinkler system. This left the parking lot paving as the final open item. The Lodi American Legion Post had to procure a loan to pave the parking lot.



Kevin P. Bellew, Business Manager of Sprinkler Fitters Local 696; Charles Hamilton, President of Northeast Fire Protection, Inc.; Fred Hesse, Commander of Lodi American Legion Post 22, Lodi, New Jersey

The NFSA NJ Chapter decided to lend support to help the Lodi American Legion Post with their debt by holding a monthly NFSA New Jersey Chapter Meeting and Training Session on February 8th at the American Legion Post. The usual business of NFSA New Jersey Chapter was conducted along with an NFPA 13 Update by Victoria Valentine, NFSA Director of Engineering. In addition, the New Jersey Chapter added a fundraising event. The usual 50/50 chances were sold and a silent auction was conducted. Members donated their time and gifts for the auction. The attendance was overwhelming with over \$5,600, including the 50/50 winnings, being raised and turned over to the Lodi American Legion Post to help pull them out of debt. Charlie Hamilton and Kevin Bellew, Business Manager for Local 696 accepted a plaque of appreciation from the Lodi American Legion Post.

The officers of the NFSA New Jersey Chapter expressed their sincere gratitude for everyone's generosity at the special Chapter Meeting. O

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# SOUTHEAST REGION



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# Tennessee Fire Death Rate Hit New Low In 2015

For the second consecutive year, Tennessee fire deaths decreased to a new state-record low while the number of lives saved by smoke alarms installed by the state's fire departments continues to climb.

The Tennessee State Fire Marshal's Office (SFMO) announces today that fewer unintentional structure fire fatalities occurred in 2015 than in any year in recorded Tennessee history, including a milestone year achieved last year.

72 people died in accidental home fires across the state in 2015, down from 76 fatalities in 2014. Both years were recordbreaking improvements compared to 2013's fire fatality total of 100.

The three leading causes of 2015's fire fatalities were smoking, electrical distribution (wiring, outlets) and heating, according to the Tennessee Fire Incident Reporting System (TFIRS). TFIRS indicates that nearly 80% of last year's state fire deaths took place in homes where no smoke alarm was known to have been present.

"The loss of life in a fire is a tragic event that we are committed to stopping," Tennessee Commerce & Insurance Commissioner and State Fire Marshal Julie Mix McPeak said. "Our partners in the Tennessee fire service community have worked diligently to prevent loss of life, and our teamwork is paying off. Going forward, we will not be complacent, and we will continue to make risk-reduction initiatives our top priority."

Tennessee has seen a 28% reduction in fire fatalities over the last five years (2011-2015) from the previous five-year average (2006-2010) when the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) ranked Tennessee as number six in the nation for fire deaths.

"The continued reduction of fire fatalities in our state is a result of the dedication and commitment of the entire Tennessee fire service," said Gary West, TDCI Deputy Commissioner for Fire Prevention. "A key part of the SFMO's lifesaving mission is promoting the importance of smoke alarms. Our 'Get Alarmed' program continues to see great success due to partnerships with local fire departments and agencies like the Red Cross."

State Fire Marshal Gary West is a huge advocate of residential fire sprinklers and commercial fire sprinklers and he hopes that in the future they will be a part of the life-saving report.

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# FLORIDA & PUERTO RICO

LORRELL BUSH Regional Manager

FLORIDA, PUERTO RICO

FFSA Recognizes 2016 Champion of the Industry Chief Phillip Green During his time at Estero Fire Rescue,

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Phillip Green has concentrated on educating and implementing the installation of fire sprinklers in one- and two-family dwellings. Thanks to all of Phillip's efforts, he was successful on October, 2015 in passing a residential ordinance in Estero. This was a huge accomplishment, making Estero the first community in Florida to pass such an ordinance. In addition, Phillip worked with the State Fire Marshal's office on a Declaratory Statement which added clarity to the law, paving the way for other jurisdictions to be successful with the installation of residential fire sprinklers. Chief Green was recently announced as Fire Marshal of the Year by the Florida Fire Chiefs Association.

Chief Green has been employed by Estero Fire Rescue for over eleven years and he has served as Fire Marshal for the last six years. He previously served as



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both Fire Marshal and Fire Chief for the City of Fort Walton Beach. He has a Bachelor of Applied Science degree in Fire Science Management as well as numerous certifications from the Florida State Fire Marshal's Office. Phillip has been married to his wife Paula for 30 years. They reside in Cape Coral, Florida with their three dogs Simone, Lily, and Simon.

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# **GREAT LAKES REGION**

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INDIANA, MICHIGAN, OHIO, WEST VIRGINIA. KENTUCKY

# Lack of Fire Sprinklers Cited in Fatal Fire

A 4-year-old girl died and six others were hospitalized due to an overnight fire at an apartment building in Brunswick, Ohio.

The fire displaced the residents of all 24 units of the building.

According to Assistant Fire Chief Rick Barber, the fire started with a spark outside the apartment where the 4-year-old girl lived. Barber said the building's vinyl siding acted as an accelerant for the fire and that there was no sprinkler system in place. The building had working smoke detectors and passed an annual fire inspection in June of 2015.

Responders from 10 area fire and EMS departments succeeded in bringing the fire under control by midnight, but remained on the scene until the following day. One firefighter was treated for minor injuries and released. O

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# **ILLINOIS REGION**



BOB TINUCCI State Coordinator

ILLINOIS

# Northwest Illinois Regional Building Code / BIG WIN FOR SPRINKLERS!

The City of Rockford, Illinois has partnered with over 30 communities, spanning a nine county area in Northwest Illinois to develop a "Regional Building Code"

The City of Rockford was the lead agency to propose the building code updates adopting the 2015 IBC Codes; 2015 International Building Code (commercial structures), 2015 International Residential Code (1 and 2 family dwellings). They held regional meetings over a period of several months and the updated codes were approved by Rockford City Council on November 2, 2015. This was the first step to adopt this new Regional Code, as it is intended that all other regional partners will subsequently adopt the identical code.

There was considerable opposition to residential fire sprinklers for one- and two-family structures due to limitations in the various rural water supplies. This requirement was amended out of the regional code. The partnership led an aggressive proposal to maintain fire sprinklers in all townhome construction and prevailed! This is due to significant efforts by the City of Rockford's Andrew Pieri CBO, CFM, Planner/Building Plans Examiner-Construction & Development Services and Fire Chief Derek Bergsten.

# Overview of their Regional Code Approach...

State law allows local units of government the ability adopt and amend building and



life safety codes in order to insure the safe construction, addition and alteration of residential and commercial occupancies. These codes and ordinances which varv from jurisdiction to jurisdiction have long been a source of confusion for local designers, contractors and trades people due to differing code requirements and ordinances. It is for this the reason that the City of Rockford has asked all communities in a nine county area to participate in the development and implementation of a region-wide building code. This Code will eliminate confusion by insuring that contractors and designers know exact code requirements and code amendments no matter where in the County one chooses to work. A region wide code will also benefit local government by reducing the amount of code violations found on the job site due to codes not being followed properly and also reduce the need to educate a contractor on the specific requirements of a particular community.

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# **WISCONSIN REGION**



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On Monday, January 18, 2016 the Wauwatosa Fire Department responded to a reported structure fire at Jersey Mike's Subs located at 2751 N Mayfair Rd at 8:50 A.M. A store worker was in the business preparing food when she noticed a burning smell. She went to the kitchen area and saw visible fire coming from a gas fed water heater located near the ceiling. She immediately called 911 and warned workers in a neighboring business to evacuate. First arriving fire department units found a single story "strip mall" type building with light smoke within the Jersey Mike's Sub occupancy. It appears that the fire was controlled by an automatic sprinkler system prior to the fire departments arrival. There was very little fire damage in the tenant space due to sprinkler system performing as it was designed. Some water damage occurred to the Jersey Mike's store along with two neighboring tenant spaces. The neighboring spaces were expected to re-open within hours of the fire. It is expected that Jersey Mike's will re-open sometime this week. The exact cause of the fire is undetermined but appears to have started in or near a natural gas water heater in the kitchen. No injuries occurred at the scene and damage estimates are still being determined at this time. This fire is a great example showing the benefits of a properly installed and maintained automatic fire sprinkler system. This system helped these businesses avoid a devastating fire that would have forced them to be closed for a significant amount of time. We highly recommend these systems be installed in all types of buildings including businesses and residential.  $oldsymbol{0}$ 

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MINNESOTA

# Lack of Fire Sprinklers Cited in Hastings House Fire

A home in Hastings, Minnesota was destroyed by a fire that caused the death of one pet.

According to Hastings Fire and EMS Director Mike Schutt, firefighters arrived just three minutes after the initial call. When they arrived, they found visible flames on both the main and second levels of the house.

Schutt stated that the fire started in a main floor bedroom and had a slow start. The cause of the fire was attributed to unintentionally discarded smoking material, which ignited some bedding material and spread to the mattress.

The home was built in the1950s and did not have a fire sprinkler system. Schutt said that a sprinkler system most likely would have contained the fire to the first room.

"A sprinkler system would have changed the entire scenario," he said.

Although the house is still standing, it's being considered a total loss.  $oldsymbol{0}$ 

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# **CENTRAL REGION**

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### **Regional Manager**

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# **Regulatory Changes Considered** After Fatal Osage Beach, Missouri Fire

Fire officials are considering regulatory changes after four children died in an Osage Beach, Missouri condominium fire in August, 2015.

The recommendations are coming from a nine-member committee appointed by Fire Chief Jeff Dorhauer, after the blaze killed the children. They were in bed when the fire broke out. An adult with them escaped and said he tried to return to rescue the children but became disoriented. Firefighters were unable to reach them in time.

The building was built in the 1980s before the district adopted fire codes. When fire codes were adopted several years later, older multi-family dwellings that did not have fire-suppression systems were grandfathered in, as fire district officials agreed the price tag for retrofitting older buildings with sprinkler systems was costprohibitive.

After the fire, district officials were determined to look into measures to improve fire safety without creating a financial hardship for property owners.

Among the proposals to be presented are new rules for fire alarms, the posting of evacuation plans and fire drills. Grills would be banned from decks, fire extinguishers would be required near egress stairwells of each floor of multi-family buildings and non-combustible ashtrays would be added outside buildings.

The committee also is suggesting the installation of sprinkler systems on all stairwells of multi-family dwellings but wouldn't make the systems a requirement.

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# SOUTH CENTRAL REGION



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# Texas Two-Week Layout Tech Training

19 Students from around the United States participated in Texas' first "Two Week Tech Layout" class in Arlington, Texas. The Tech Layout Class is coordinated by the NFSA Engineering Department and was taught by John Corso, Jeff Hugo, Robert Upson, & Louis Guerrazzi.

During week two, the students were treated to a "Fire Protection Behind the Scenes" tour of the Dallas Cowboy Stadium hosted by local fire marshals. The students were very pleased with the class and loved Dallas as "a home away from home."

# Training Keeps Your Company In The Know

May 31 - June 2, 2016 / San Antonio, TX NFPA 13 - Sprinkler Installation Requirements

Fire Sprinkler Protection of Storage

NFPA 25 - Understanding, Applying & Enforcing (0)

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# **GREAT PLAINS REGION**



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# Around the Great Plains

2016 began with new Colorado State Administrative Rules encompassing training, tagging and mandatory impairment reporting. NFSA Great Plains Regional Manager Eric Gleason hosted a gathering of 90 AHJs and contractors to discuss Colorado's fire suppression rules & water discharge BMPs. Two more classes have been requested and scheduled in different parts of the state. These rules help bring contractors and AHJs together on fire suppression systems.

Also happening in the Rocky Mountains, Utah is likely to pass a law (HB316) significantly curtailing how building codes can be adopted or amended locally.

Construction is booming in the Great Plains with South Dakota being announced as the nation's fastest growing economy. Contractors across the region are seeing increased bid activity and installation activity.

Please join Eric Gleason at NFPA's annual conference in Las Vegas (June 13-16). Eric has been asked to present nationally about fire suppression, water discharge and the EPA.

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# SOUTHWEST REGION

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# Arizona May Defund Cities That Scoff Fire Sprinkler Law

In an article from Fire House Magazine posted by Bob Christie from the Associated Press in Phoenix, Arizona, an Arizona Senate panel recently voted to advance a proposal that would cut off state shared revenue for cities or towns that pass regulations that conflict with state laws related to fire sprinklers.

The bill, authored by Senate President Andy Biggs, would punish cities and towns after an investigation by the attorney general. The bill would give cities 30 days to rescind the action or lose their state revenue when making local amendments to the state codes related to fire sprinklers or other amendments. The state sent nearly \$1.1 billion from income and sales taxes to 91 cities and towns in the budget year that ended June 30th, 2015. The sharing of state revenue dates to a 1972 voter initiative that included a deal barring cities and towns from levying their own income taxes in exchange for the state sending them part of its revenue.

For a copy of the full and unedited article go to: http://bit.ly/1nOKaYB.

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# Washington State Home Fire Sprinkler Forum

While individual jurisdictions in Washington state are able to require residential fire sprinklers, real or perceived problems inhibit support for such measures. The state's home fire sprinkler coalition hosted a forum on March 15th to increase communication and working relations between all parties involved in installing residential systems. Home builders and developers, building officials, fire marshals and fire sprinkler contractors were able to provide candid input on their experiences from initial platting through final inspections.

In a moderated discussion, attendees heard from different perspectives and learned how their decisions or policies affect the process. Among discussion highlights, builders and developers shared their perspective on how variables such as cash flow and individual home sales affect timelines, fire marshals shared their reasoning behind inspections requirements, and fire sprinkler contractors

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People who know the facts want to live in a home with fire sprinklers









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All HFSC material is free and can be viewed, downloaded and ordered from the HFSC website:

www.homefiresprinkler.org

or call toll-free: 1.888.635.7222

# SPRINKLING OF NEWS

# Tyco Announces The Next Generation Butterfly Valve

Tyco's new BFV-300 Butterfly Valve, a lighter, more compact design that allows for more efficient installation, easier operation and better long-term performance.

Unique features of the valve make it smaller, lighter and easier to install and service. Tapping boss locations save time by allowing for quick upstream direct connection to a deluge valve and downstream connection of additional components, or drainage for dry maintenance. The traveling nut gearbox features a single moving part, allowing for a smaller, more compact design that is easier to handle, install and operate. The BFV-300 also features a QR code printed on the gearbox cover for instant on-site access to digital on-line product information by scanning the code with a smart device.

The BFV-300 has a grooved or wafer connection for installation on a range of systems, and supervisory open and closed options - supervisory open to isolate the alarm valve, or supervisory closed for use in a by-pass system. The valve is 100% silicon free and available in sizes from 2" to 12". The BFV-300 is fully approved globally.

For additional information regarding Tyco's BFV-300 Butterfly Valve, please visit www.Tyco-Fire.com/BFV-300.

# FPPI Extends Its Offer Of Regional Threads - Butterfly Valves Available in Additional Sizes

Fire Protection Products (FPPI) announces new products with regional threads: Hose Valves, Caps, Reducers, and Swivels with Richmond (RCH) threads, as well as Grooved Hose Valves with New York Fire Department, Baton Rouge and Lincoln (NYFD) threads.

All items are available through FPPI distributors. FPPI provides 25 different products in 15 distinctive regional threads, covering 27 regions across the U.S. and Canada

Also, FPPI announces the addition of two new Butterfly Valves: the  $1\frac{1}{4}$ " Grooved Butterfly Valve and the  $1\frac{1}{2}$ "

Grooved Butterfly Valve. FPPI now offers four different sizes to meet the diverse requirements of modern fire sprinkler systems. All FPPI Butterfly Valves are UL/ ULc Listed and FM Approved (1" size is UL Listed and FM Approved).

For more information got to www.fppi. com or call 800.344.1822.

# ■ Victaulic Introduces FireLock<sup>™</sup> Installation-Ready<sup>™</sup> Fittings

Victaulic introduces FireLock<sup>™</sup> Installation-Ready<sup>™</sup> Fittings (No. 101 90° Elbow, 102 Tee and 103 45° Elbow). The fittings require less fasteners, resulting in faster, simpler installation.

The simplicity of the FireLock EZ<sup>™</sup> Rigid Coupling - Style OO9N, combined with the convenience of a single-unit design solution, Victaulic FireLock Installation-Ready<sup>™</sup> Fittings provide fast, easy pipe connections with no need to disassemble.

For more information please visit www. victaulicfire.com or www.firelockfittings. com to request a demo.

# Viking Offers New Residential 3.0 K FactorHorizontal Sidewall Sprinkler

The Viking Corporation announces the availability of a new 3.0 (43) K-factor residential horizontal sidewall sprinkler, Model VK479. It provides low flow requirements at smaller areas of coverage, making it a good choice for residential sprinkler systems where the available water supply is limited.

The new Model VK479 sprinkler is cULus Listed with low flow and pressure requirements for coverage areas up to 16 ft x 16 ft (4,9 m x 4,9 m). It has a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " in (15 mm) NPT thread size and a temperature rating of 155°F (68°C). In addition to several standard finishes, a durable ENT plating (Nickel PTFE) is available. The ENT finish is cULus Listed for use in areas subject to corrosion, such as exposed installations near the ocean.

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

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outlined the impacts of a lack of accurate water flow information.

"The only way to make change is to start talking about it," said attendee Greg Moffat of Fire Sprinklers Inc. in Sumner, WA. "My hope is that this goes beyond just talk to create some uniformity across the board for all jurisdictions. That way everyone will know what to expect."

The goal is to develop a "best practices guide" to be shared with the Washington State Association of Fire Marshals members at the group's annual education institute this fall.

"The forum allowed contractors and developers a unique opportunity to collaborate with fire marshals on identifying the best practices for installing home fire sprinklers. This effort will guide fire marshals in permit processing improvements and hopefully begin a movement toward all jurisdictions adopting the coalition's best practices" said Todd Short, City of Redmond Fire Marshal and event organizer.

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Send hi-rez photos to Joanne Genadio at genadio@nfsa.org

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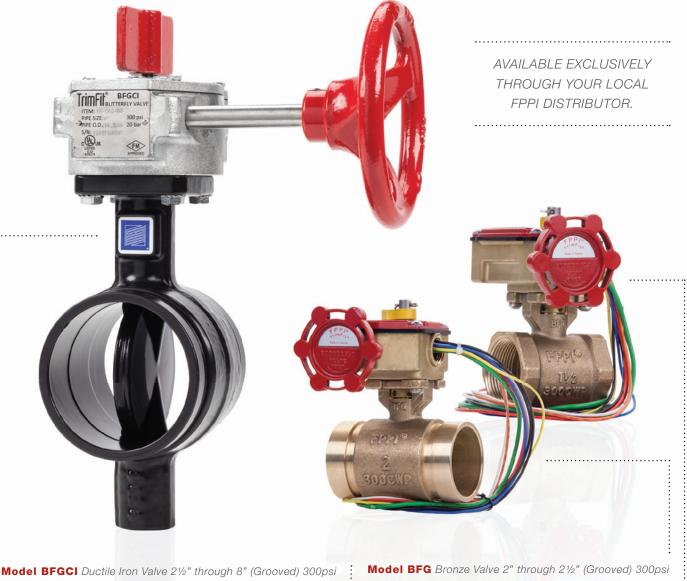
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