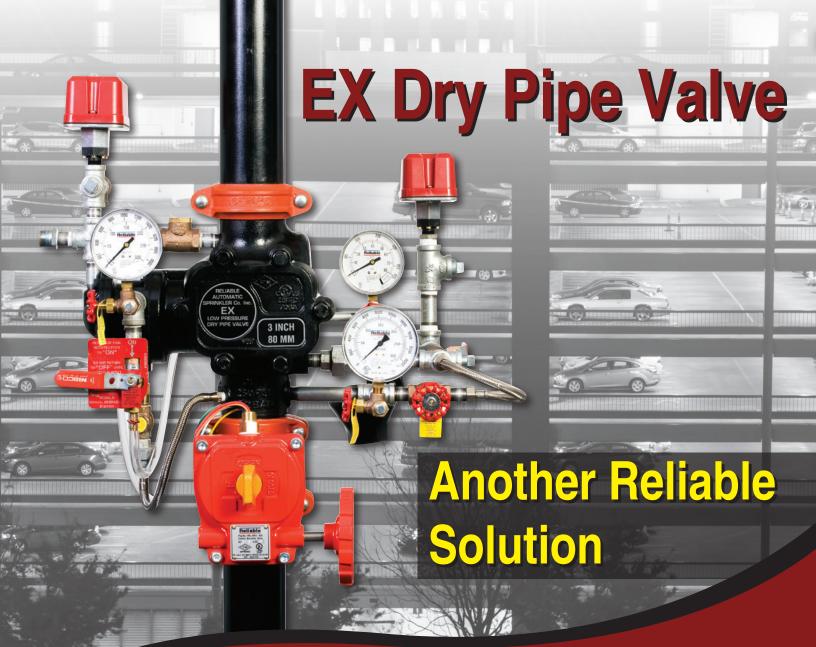


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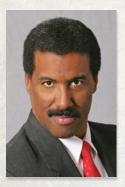


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## **LETTER FROM THE EDITOR**



While the NFSA Annual Seminar and North American Fire Sprinkler Expo® only days away as of this letter, as one might imagine, all the planning that has gone into the event is now coming to a foreseeable conclusion. Events have all been scheduled. Details have been finalized with the hotel, registrations have all been processed and just about every conceivable permutation has be examined more than once to be sure nothing gets overlooked. Sound exhausting? Quite, but it is all necessary to ensure that NFSA's members have the best experience possible and that the Annual Seminar continue to be recognized as the fire sprinkler industry's premier event.

This, the second year of the North American Fire Sprinkler Expo, is a complete sellout. It isn't any wonder since the show draws attendance from the largest fire sprinkler contractors in North America. Suppliers and manufacturers who provide products and services to fire sprinkler contractors throughout the continent will be on hand to demonstrate new products and to provide answers to the most demanding installation challenges. In recognition of the their membership in NFSA, individual listings of every member company exhibiting at this year's show can be found inside this Buyer's Guide issue of *SQ* beginning on page 23.

These companies and individuals represent the broadest possible range of products and services for the fire sprinkler industry and have demonstrated their support and commitment to the Association through their membership. As such, it would only be fitting for NFSA contractor members to give them first consideration when sourcing related products and services.

Undeniably, there is a symbiotic relationship between the fire sprinkler contractor and industry suppliers and manufacturers with much to be gained by the mutual support each provide NFSA. It

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As we begin this journey together, I thank you all. For your support, your membership, and your energy as we move forward. I thank Russ Fleming for his assistance throughout the transition, and I specifically thank the entire board of directors, especially Chair Larry Thau, and everyone who has supported me. I pledge to work hard and stay focused on our mission. I pledge we will develop a vision and identify the values that support our mission. We will focus on our vision, mission, and values and we will do MORE! Our future is bright, our service is proven, and together we can make big differences! It's time for us to get to work and build a future that will provide benefit to many and life safety to all.

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## Avoiding a Government Head Fake On Retirement Savings

Retirees Should Reconsider Strategies On IRA, 401K Withdrawals, Financial Advisor Says

A government rule on retirement savings may be tricking retirees into looking at their financial situations all wrong, says a financial advisor who specializes in retirement planning.

The rule says retirees can't leave money in their IRA or 401k accounts forever. At age  $70\frac{1}{2}$  they must begin making minimum withdrawals, even if they prefer to leave the accounts untouched.

"You are forced to take money out whether you want to or not," says Dave Lopez, a mathematics and computer science major who applies his analytical mind to solving retirement challenges.

And in reality, Lopez says, you should want to take out as much as possible. That's why he likens the rule to a head fake because it causes retirees to look at the situation from the wrong perspective.

"They get fixated on that minimum amount they must withdraw, so that's

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#### by Dave Lopez

how much they end up withdrawing, leaving the bulk of their savings right there in the 401k or IRA," he says.

That's a mistake, he says, especially for people who hope to leave a healthy inheritance to heirs.

"If you keep taking out the minimum amount each year, it will just about guarantee you have a large amount in there at your death," Lopez says. "Under the current tax law, if you die and your IRA or 401k is left to your heirs, they are taxed on it at a high rate. With state taxes added in, it could be 40 to 45 percent."

The percentage could end up being even more, depending when you retire and whether tax laws change, he says.

If Congress and the president raise taxes, the government's share of your retirement savings would go up and the amount left to heirs would go down.

That's where it would be good for the middle class to take a lesson from wealthy retirees, who are less likely to fall for that head fake, Lopez says. They understand that they need to withdraw greater chunks from their IRA and 401k accounts, placing the money in tax-friendlier accounts.

"While people in the middle class take out the minimum-required amount, the rich do the exact opposite," he says.

Lopez says a few strategies exist that retirees can take advantage of to make sure taxes don't deplete their legacy to their children. "You have to put these strategies into place early, though," Lopez says. "The later you wait, the less effective they are and the less your savings will be."

#### Explore tax-free options.

Move the money into a tax-free vehicle, such as a Roth IRA or a specially designed life insurance plan that would allow the dollars to flow tax free to heirs. Lopez says one additional advantage with the life insurance option is that, historically, when laws are changed related to life insurance the old policies are grandfathered in and not affected. "It's a top estate planning trick for the rich," he says. "The challenge is the middle class doesn't know it exists."

#### Stretch out inherited IRA withdrawals.

Under tax law, when your heirs inherit an IRA they don't have to take money as a lump sum. They can have it paid out over their lifetime, which could keep them in a lower tax bracket, Lopez says. They pay taxes only on what they take out, he says. "There is gamble involved with this plan," Lopez says. "You are gambling that the law that allows heirs to do this will still be in effect when you die. Many people think this law is one of the easiest ones to change because the government could just claim this is a tax loophole and they are closing the loophole."

Ultimately, he says, it will pay off to sit down ahead of time to review options with a financial advisor who understands the intricacies of retirement planning.

"You don't want to be taken in by that head fake," Lopez says. "You want to make sure you and your family get as much benefit as possible from all those years you were saving your hard-earned money."

#### ABOUT DAVE LOPEZ

Dave Lopez is the founder of ILG Financial, LLC (www.ILGFinancial.com) and has been working with individuals and businesses in the Northern Virginia area since 1986. He specializes in strategies that enable his clients to potentially build a retirement nest egg that they can rely on and can never outlive. Lopez has his Bachelors of Science degree from James Madison University with a major in mathematics and computer science. He is an investment advisor representative of AlphaStar Capital Management, LLC, a registered investment advisor.

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### CONTRACTOR'S CUE

# Make a Difference with Your Money

Help Your Family or Community by Helping Yourself First

At some point during their lifetime, most people wonder whether they've done enough - if they've made a positive impact, says Jeff Bucher, a financial advisor who helps working-class Americans plan their golden years.

"For most people, I think that concern increases as they get closer to retirement - they wonder what their earning years have bought for themselves and the people they care about, which may extend to their greater community," says Bucher, who, through his firm, Citizen Advisory Group, (www.citizenadvisory.com), has contributed to the local Boys & Girls Club, the Make-A-Wish Foundation and to development of an Olympic training center for wrestling at Ohio State University, his alma mater, where he earned a wrestling scholarship.

"You don't have to be super-wealthy to make a significant contribution to others. The smarter you are with the wealth you do have, however, the more of an impact you'll be able to have."

If you want to make a difference with your money, you're better off having your financial affairs in order. Bucher offers a few suggestions.

Now is the time to design a lifetime income plan. Simply attaining a minimum figure in savings probably won't work; such figures do not account for family emergencies, inflation, etc. Social Security does not cover what it used to, and its future is uncertain at best. You need to establish a laddered, inflation-adjusted income using safe and dependable accounts that will provide a check every month. This should be informed by a plan that maps out your lifetime income needs to ensure that you do not outlive your money. For example, if you need \$3,000 a month now, at a 4 percent inflation rate you will need \$3,649.96 in five years. In 10 years you will need almost \$4,500 per month.

#### by Jeff Bucher

Consider holding off on retirement. Many people are understandably eager to retire as early as possible; others fear Social Security benefits will vanish, so they want to get what they can as guickly as possible - at age 62. But if you're counting on those benefits as part of your income, you should wait until you're eligible for the full amount. That's age 66 if you were born from 1943 to 1954, and age 67 if you were born in 1960 and later. If you're in the older group, retiring at 62 cuts your benefits by a guarter; for the younger group it's nearly a third. "Chances are, you'll be better off mentally and physically if you wait anyway," Bucher says. "Many studies show that people live longer and are more vital the longer they remain employed."

Know when to transfer investments tax-deferred out of plans. If you're working for a company that provides a match for 401k contributions, by all means, contribute up to the maximum match. "That's free money - you'd be crazy not to take advantage." Bucher says. But anything beyond that should be invested in something that's more tax efficient: Roth IRA. municipal bonds, life insurance or real estate. No one expects taxes will go down - they'll be going up. Uncle Sam already has a lien on your IRA or 401(k); don't let his lien, the taxes you'll owe, continue to grow. Go ahead and pay now. Your future retired self will be glad you did.

#### ABOUT JEFF BUCHER

Jeff Bucher is president of Citizen Advisory Group (www.citizenadvisory.com), and is an Investment Advisor Representative of AlphaStar Capital Management, an SEC Registered Investment Advisor. He has a life and health insurance license with the state of Ohio. His membership affiliations include the exclusive Ed Slott's Master Elite IRA Advisor Group™, National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors (NAIFA), the National Association of Fixed Annuities (NAFA) and the Forum 400. He has earned Top of the Table honors through the Million Dollar Round Table (MDRT). Bucher is a former standout wrestler at The Ohio State University, where he earned an athletic scholarship and honed his leadership skills en route to earning four varsity letters.  $\mathbf{O}$ 

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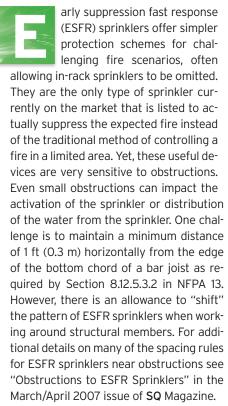
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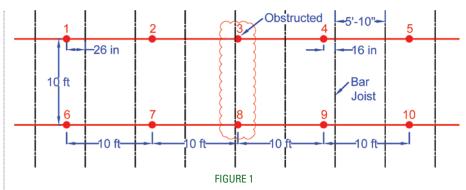


# **ESFR "Shift" Rule**

By Victoria B. Valentine, P.E.



Following the spacing criteria for ESFR sprinklers, they are limited to protecting 100 ft<sup>2</sup> (9.3 m<sup>2</sup>) per sprinkler in Section 8.12.2.2.2. The Committees have often provided guidance to allow for practical installation criteria in common situations. When structural members, such as trusses and bar joists, are planned for locations that do not permit the pattern of ESFR sprinklers to be installed without obstructing the sprinklers, there is an exception to the maximum sprinkler space



ing. Section 8.12.2.2.3 states, "Deviations from the maximum sprinkler spacing shall be permitted to eliminate obstructions created by structural elements...by moving a sprinkler along the branch line a maximum of 1 ft (0.3 m) from its allowable spacing, provided coverage for that sprinkler does not exceed 110 ft<sup>2</sup> ( $10.^{2}$  m<sup>2</sup>) per sprinkler..." There are three (3) conditions for using this exception. The first is that the average floor area protected by the moved sprinklers and the adjacent sprinklers cannot exceed 100 ft<sup>2</sup> (9.3 m<sup>2</sup>). The second is that adjacent branch lines have to maintain the same pattern of sprinklers. Lastly, the third is that the distance between sprinklers cannot be more than 12 ft (3.7 m).

Figure 1 shows ESFR sprinklers on a 10 ft (3.1 m) by 10 ft (3.1 m) spacing, which maximizes their base protection areas. It also indicates that there are bar joists spaced 5 ft 10 inches (1.8 m) apart. This creates an occasional row of ESFR sprinklers aligning with the bar joist location.

This would not be permitted as the row of sprinklers is obstructed.

However, if the line of ESFR sprinklers is shifted 1 ft (0.3 m) away from the bar joist, then the sprinklers would not be obstructed. Figure 2 indicates the obstructed line has been shifted to the right. This means there are 11 ft (3.6 m) between the center row of sprinklers and those on the left (sprinklers 2-3 and 7-8), while there are 9 ft (2.7 m) between the center row of sprinklers and those on the right (sprinklers 3-4 and 8-9).

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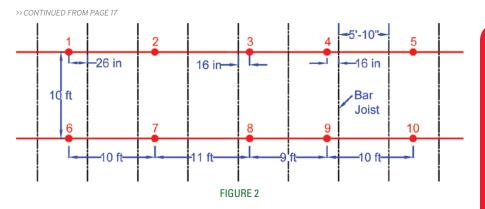
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TABLE 1 - SPRINKLER PROTECTED FLOOR AREA FOR FIGURE 2		
SPRINKLER	FLOOR AREA	
2	105 ft <sup>2</sup> ( 9.8 m <sup>2</sup> )	
3	100 ft <sup>2</sup> (9.3 m <sup>2</sup> )	
4	95 ft <sup>2</sup> (8.8 m <sup>2</sup> )	
7	105 ft <sup>2</sup> ( 9.8 m <sup>2</sup> )	
8	100 ft <sup>2</sup> (9.3 m <sup>2</sup> )	
9	95 ft <sup>2</sup> (8.8 m <sup>2</sup> )	
Average Coverage Area	100 ft <sup>2</sup> (9.3 m <sup>2</sup> )	

One of the keys to applying this rule is that adjacent sprinklers have to maintain the same pattern. This means that a sprinkler on a single branch line would not be shifted while the other sprinklers remain on the original 10 ft (3.1 m) by 10 ft (3.1 m) spacing. The row of sprinklers would have to be shifted so that the pattern of protection is divided in traditional rectangular areas on the floor. Also, Section 8.12.2.2.4 allows for the same rule to be applied by moving a branch line up to 1 ft (0.3 m). The spacing of the sprinklers would be the same as when a row of sprinklers along the branch lines are moved. However, one of the caveats is that it is not permitted to move a branch line where a row of sprinklers along the branch line have already been shifted.

Another key to shifting a line or row of ESFR sprinklers is to recognize the intent is not for this shift of sprinklers to occur in every line or every other line of sprinklers. However, it does not preclude being able to shift the sprinklers more than one time within a single sprinkler system. Yet this should be done with caution making sure all of the requirements are followed for each shift of a line or row.

#### Summary

ESFR sprinklers provide protection for many scenarios. Yet, close attention to obstructions is needed so that they are spaced appropriately and operate as intended. When structural members are in the way of a desired pattern of layout for the ESFR sprinklers, there is an allowance to move them. They can "shift" up to 1 ft (0.3 m) as long as the average protected floor area does not exceed 100 ft<sup>2</sup> (9.3 m<sup>2</sup>).

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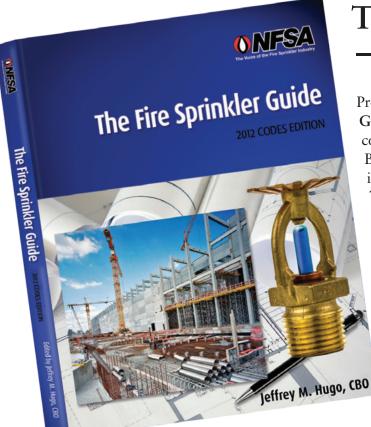
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# **Using Rainwater for Fire Sprinkler Systems**

**By Jeff Hugo, CBO** 

ainwater systems are regulated by the plumbing codes. The methods of collection, filtration, disinfection, classification, storage and distribution are covered extensively by the plumbing code. The connection of the fire sprinkler system to the rainwater system is really no different than a connection to a public utility or a pump and tank. However, the key concerns of this connection are the extent of each system, reliability, listed materials, and water quality.

Municipal rainwater systems are similar to the underground potable water supply as they are used to provide water for many community needs, such as green space or agricultural irrigation. There are many communities that connect their municipal rainwater system to the sprinkler system. When connecting the rainwater system to the fire sprinkler system there are many concerns. NFPA 13 requires any water supply, including a rainwater system supply, to be automatic and reliable with the capacity to provide the required flow and pressure demand for the fire sprinkler system. If the municipal rainwater supply is connected to the fire sprinkler system, the applicable hose stream allowances are required to be added.

Some municipalities with extensive municipal wide rainwater systems started with the intention of the rainwater system to become normal supply for fire protection. However, some are scaling back these systems and are disconnecting

the fire protection systems because of the reliability of the supply, or really the lack thereof. The demand on municipal rainwater system supplies are beyond the original intentions and designs of the system. The fire reserve or duration is not the burden of the municipal wide rainwater system, it cannot be guaranteed because of the many other uses tied into the system. The supply (rain) cannot meet the demand (irrigation) and because of this effect, the fluctuations in the system availability vary greatly, causing guestion of compliance of reliability within NFPA 13. This has caused some municipalities to disconnect fire protection (hydrants, fire sprinkler systems, standpipes, etc.) from the rainwater system and reconnect to the potable municipal water system.

#### **On-Site Systems**

On-site rainwater systems can have similar concerns of supply and demand. Rainwater systems are filled by precipitation. In dry times, there is a greater tendency and concern to use the storage to irrigate the green spaces of the property. Storage tanks shall be designed and distribute fire protection water first, or be arranged to where the fire protection water duration remains in the tank, permitting the irrigation water to only use a portion. The amount of water required by NFPA 13 and NFPA 13R to be stored for 30, 60, 90, or 120 minutes results in large quantities of stored water to be reserved for use by

the fire sprinkler system. The amount of water used by the irrigation system on a weekly basis can also drive the size of the tank when the tank is planned to serve both functions. A green space irrigation system of a LEED certified building can easily exceed the fire protection water capacity in one month!

Storage tanks that collect rainwater used for fire protection are often overlooked by rainwater system designers. Fire sprinkler systems, when connected to tanks are required by NFPA 13 and NFPA 13R to comply with NFPA 22, the Standard for Water Tanks for Private Fire Protection. NFPA 22 requires listed fire protection tanks to store fire protection water. A listed NFPA 22 tank can store fire protection water and irrigation water, but fire protection water cannot be stored in an unlisted tank. Oftentimes projects may have combined tanks and the listing requirements for the fire sprinkler system have to be carefully followed.

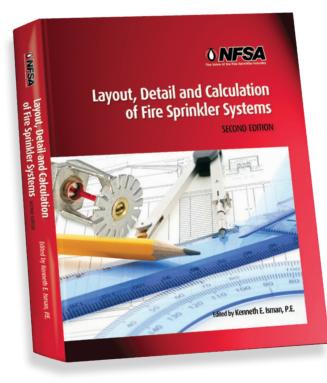
The rainwater system (collection, treatment, distribution, storage) is required to meet the plumbing codes and related >> CONTINUED ON PAGE 21



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standards, such as AWWA standards for underground distribution piping. The fire protection connection to the municipal wide underground rainwater system is really no different than the fire protection connection to the municipal wide underground potable system. However, when a combined tank is used for on-site systems, the extent of the two systems can become confusing. The best way to describe this is to have the rainwater processing system (the supply) distributed to a NFPA 22 tank. The tank has two connections. The first connection continues the unlisted components of distributing the rainwater throughout the building according to the plumbing code. The second connection becomes the suction line of the listed fire pump of NFPA 20 which is connected to the NFPA 13 or NFPA 13R fire sprinkler system.

The rainwater system has a dedicated color, purple, for the pipe and any devices connected to the system. Many states require purple piping to be used for waterreuse systems, which includes rainwater. The plumbing code requires purple piping for rainwater systems inside of the building. The purple color is only a dye added to color the piping, or a purple stripe is added and doesn't affect the manufacturing or installation standards. Fire sprinkler systems connected to rainwater systems would not be required to have purple piping for several reasons. First, the plumbing code does not apply to fire sprinkler systems. Second, NFPA 13 has permitted rainwater and melted snow collected in lakes, ponds, rivers and reservoirs to be used in fire sprinkler systems for years, as one of the approved sources of water. Third, fire sprinkler systems require the piping to meet particular specifications or be listed. It is typical for these pipes to be painted red for corrosion resistance or by requirement of other standards, such as OSHA or business management standards like ISO.

The last concern of using rainwater for fire sprinkler systems is water quality. The 2013 edition of NFPA 13 has several specific sections that concern water quality. First, recycled or reclaimed water is specifically permitted by Section 24.2.1. This new section was added in 2013 to



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provide architects the ability to use processed (or unprocessed) water systems for buildings to meet green building codes and standards. When rainwater systems are used, the water quality is required to be investigated, treated and monitored by the building owner. This ensures that the rainwater is compatible with the fire sprinkler appurtenances and piping and also for unusual corrosive properties. The collection surfaces, such as parking lots and lawn runoff, are permitted in rainwater guidelines and standards to be used for fire protection. Section 24.1.5 of NFPA 13 is the safeguard in place to protect the system from having water that could contain petrochemicals, combustible liguids or fertilizers. This section ties in with the Owner's Certificate in Section 4.3 to notify the fire sprinkler layout technician, or fire protection engineer, to provide the appropriate treatment for the installation.

In conclusion, rainwater used in fire sprinkler systems is not new. What is new, are the numerous standards and guidelines available that standardize the use of rainwater for other uses. These standards may have some overlap, but should not overrule the well established fire sprinkler standards. Fire sprinkler systems are extremely adaptable and can use water from several reliable sources.  $\mathbf{O}$ 

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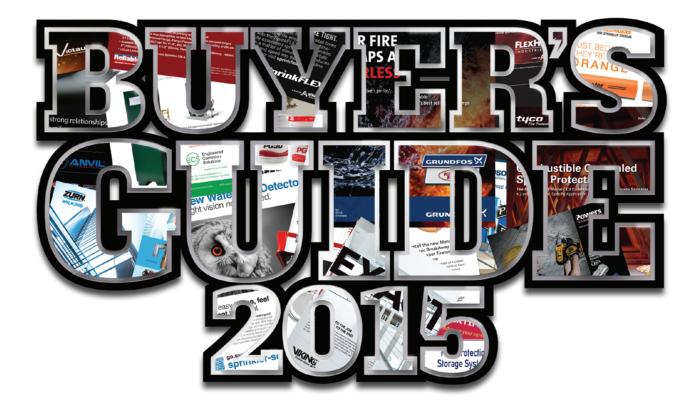




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#### Market Area: International

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

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#### Management:

Mitch Bevill, Director of Sales-East Brian Reef, Director of Sales, West Phil Schechinger, V.P. International & Fire Products

#### Sales Contact:

Debi Skyberg, National Inside Sales Manager Tel: 708.885.3000 Fax: 708.534.5441

#### Company Profile:

Anvil offers a complete line of grooved couplings, fittings and valves that deliver cost savings at installation and long-lasting performance. Anvil is also the market leader with a complete selection of pipe hangers, supports and seamless pipe nipples, as well as malleable, cast iron and forged steel fittings. As innovators of pipe fabrication our NAP brand manufactures fabrication equipment to include automatic welders, plasma cut-off and hole cutting equipment, make-on machines and pipe threaders. Anvil International: Building Connections That Last.

#### APEX Pumping Equipment, Inc.

720 Heartland Drive, Unit P Sugar Grove, Illinois 60554 Toll Free: 866.563.2739 FAX: 630.466.4499 Website: www.262apex.com

#### Founded:

1996

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

Market Area: 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: Steve Holzkopf

email: steve@262apex.com

#### **Company Profile:**

Established in 1996, we have grown to represent many of the products found in the fire pump room, like backflow devices to air release valves to fire water storage towers and tanks above and below, not to mention our original focus of fire pumps and repairs. We have grown to include Illinois, lowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Indiana for many of our products. "We Supply Solutions" for your simple fix to complex, difficult issues. With over 200 years of experience, we have seen it all! Perhaps you have a new challenge for us!

#### **Apollo Valves/Conbraco Industries**

PO Box 247 Matthews, North Carolina 28106 Phone: 704.841.6000 FAX: 704.841.6021

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

Flow Controls-Ball Valves, Backflow Preventers Market Area:

Worldwide

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

Management: 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:

Pete Chapman, General Manager, Backflow Prevention Phone: 704.841.6066

#### **Company Profile:**

Apollo Valves/Conbraco Industries – Employing 1,200 people to manufacture and market MADE IN AMERICA valve products. Featuring UL/FM Backflow Preventers, UL Ball Valves, UL 300# pressure and relief controls. Introducing the new Stainless Steel 4A / 4An DC, DCDA, RPZ, and RPDA assemblies in 2 ½"-8" sizes, featuring light weight SS, short lay lengths, vertical & horizontal approvals, low flat pressure loss performance with mix/match grooved butterfly, or OS&Y, or Post Indicator shutoffs for ease of installation in any fire protection application, and the new UL/FM approved carbon and stainless steel Apollo XPress for Fire Protection Systems.

#### ARGCO

5816 Dryden Place, Suite 101 Carlsbad, CA 92008 Phone: 760.727.1644 Toll-Free: 800.854.1015 FAX: 760.727.3270 Website: www.argco.com

#### Founded: 1981

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

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

Market Area: International

#### Hours of Operation:

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

#### Management:

Tom Tallman, General Manager Frank Bishop, Sales Manager Lawrence Kent, Sales Buck Eilers, Sales Woody Witwer, Sales

#### Sales Contact:

Tom Tallman, Gen. Mgr. Phone: 800.854.1015 FAX: 760.727.3270

#### **Company Profile:**

ARGCO has been supplying the fire sprinkler industry since 1981. Starting with hard-to-find escutcheons and wall plates, ARGCO continues to expand its line. Top selling pipe thread sealants, a full line of hangers and fasteners, ARGCO's own piping tools and replacement parts, fire protection valves, grooved couplings and fittings as well as Ductile and Cast Iron fittings.

#### **Atlantic American**

Fire Equipment Company 121 Titus Avenue Warrington, Pennsylvania 18976 Toll-Free: 800.247.1128 FAX: 215.491.7395 Website: www.atlanticamerican.com

#### Founded: 1985

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Protection Products
Market Area:

Maine to North Carolina Hours of Operation:

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

Management: Paul DeCamara, Sr. President Patrick Roche, Vice President Robert MacGeorge, V.P., Operations John Beck, Steel Pipe Division Manager

Sales Contact: Bill Devlin, Sales Manager

#### **Company Profile:**

Atlantic American Fire Equipment Company is a leading wholesale material supplier to the fire protection industry. We provide top quality products at very competitive prices to commercial and residential fire sprinkler contractors throughout the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast regions of the U.S. The company was founded by Paul DeCamera and Patrick Roche in 1985, based on a vision of providing quality products and service to our customers. Since then, we have grown by adding five warehouses strategically located throughout a 13-state region, allowing us to take our service to an even higher level. Our plans include adding more warehouses to support the demand for our products and services. We insist upon well-stocked inventories resulting in excellent fill rates, making us your one stop shop for the best sprinkler system components available on the market today.

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

431 Eastgate Road 3rd Floor Henderson, Nevada 89011 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:

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

#### Management:

Kevin Maddux, President Adam Bonaldi, V.P., Business Development Paul Basherian, V.P.

#### Sales Contact:

Danielle Pena-Spencer, Sales Administrative Assistant Tel: 877.418.8526 x301 FAX: 702.566.0598 Email: danielle@mepcad.com

#### **Company Profile:**

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



Backflow Direct 3290 Monier Circle, Ste 300 Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 Tel: 916.760.4524

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Email: sales@backflowdirect.com Website: www.backflowdirect.com

#### 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:

Brad Scott, Dir. of Sales & Mktg Tel: 916.760.4524 Email: brad@backflowdirect.com

#### **Company Profile:**

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

#### BlazeMaster<sup>®</sup> Fire Sprinkler Systems — Lubrizol

9911 Brecksville Road Cleveland, Ohio 44141 Phone: 216.447.5000 Toll-Free: 888.234.2436 FAX: 216.447.5750 Website: www.blazemaster.com

Founded: 1984/Lubrizol founded 1928

Primary Products/Services: BlazeMaster® Fire Sprinkler Systems

#### Management:

Mark Knurek, Regional Market Manager Amanda Rae, Marketing Specialist Connect with us @LZ\_CPVC www.blazemaster.com

#### **Company Profile:**

BlazeMaster<sup>®</sup> Fire Sprinkler Systems have a proven history of performance as a cost effective alternative to metal piping systems featuring fast, easy installations, superior corrosion resistance and low flame and smoke characteristics. Since the product was introduced in 1984, more than one billion feet of BlazeMaster<sup>®</sup> pipe have been installed in more than 60 countries, making it the most specified non-metallic fire sprinkler system in the world. BlazeMaster<sup>®</sup> pipe and fittings are accepted for use in all three major model codes and meet National Fire Protection Association NFPA 13, 13D and 13R sprinkler standards.



#### **BuildingReports**

1325 Satellite Blvd. Ste 1607 Suwanee, Georgia 30024 Tel: 770.495.1993 FAX: 770.495.9331 Website: www.buildingreports.com

#### Founded:

1999

#### Primary Products/Services:

Inspection and compliance reporting software Market Area: Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

#### Management:

Brett Brewster, CEO & Co-Founder Jason Kronz, CTO & Co-Founder Dwight Wills, V.P., Sales & Marketing Chris Dispain, V.P. Member Services

#### Sales Contact:

Dwight Wills, V.P., Sales & Marketing Tel: 770.495.1993 x304 FAX: 770.495.9331 Email: sales@buildingreports.com Company Profile:

Building safety compliance is critical to service companies, building owners and fire and safety officials who are charged with safeguarding occupants. BuildingReports' mobile and online inspection reporting tools enable inspectors to quickly gather data on fire and life safety devices to ensure they are working properly and meet code requirements or identify actions needed to meet compliance through easily verifiable inspection reports. With more than 120 million inspected devices to date, over 400,000 buildings represented and over 650 inspection companies in its network, BuildingReports has earned its reputation as the trusted name in compliance reporting.

#### Chemguard, Inc.

204 South 6th Avenue Mansfield, Texas 76063 Telephone: 817.473.9964 Toll Free: 800.222.3710 FAX: 817.473.6590

#### Founded:

1987

#### Primary Products/Services:

Manufacturer of fire suppression foam concentrates and fire suppression systems.

#### Hours of Operation:

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

#### Management:

Roger Bower, President Twana Connors, Senior Vice President John Vieweger, VP, Sales and Marketing

#### Sales Contact:

John Vieweger, VP Sales & Marketing Telephone: 817.473.9964 FAX: 817.473.6590

#### **Company Profile:**

ISO 9001:2000 certified, Chemquard manufactures UL and FM approved fire - suppression foam concentrates, fire-fighting hardware and engineered foam systems for industrial, military, municipal, offshore, petrochemical/ energy, transportation/freight and aircraft hangar applications around the world. Our extensive line of high-quality, durable and field-proven fire-fighting hardware includes fixed systems, self-contained foam units and large dry chemical skid units. We custom engineered trailer- and skid-mounted foam systems, self-contained foam units and large dry chemical skid units. We utilize global blending facilities to ship orders quicklyincluding emergency foam concentrate requests. Customer support includes laboratory analysis, live fire testing, technical application and design assistance and custom training on or off site

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# CHICAGO BACKFLOW, INC. Protecting your drinking water

#### Chicago Backflow, Inc. aka CB Marketing

12607 S. Laramie Avenue Alsip, Illinois 60803 Phone: 708.389.5600 Email: dsmith@backflow.com FAX: 708.389.5632 Website: www.backflow.com

#### Founded:

1993

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

Backflow Prevention Service, Testing, Installation and Inspection

#### Market Area:

Northern Illinois and Northwest Indiana

Hours of Operation:

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

#### Management:

Donald J. Smith, President Michael D. Eisenhauer, Vice President Sales Contact: Katie Rager, 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 Barb Jonas, Product Manager. Nick Smith, Sales Representative

#### Sales Contact:

Sales/Quote Contact: Barb Jonas 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.**

3133 East Kemper Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45241 Phone: 513.719.2307 Website: www.clarkefire.com Email: jstrousse@clarkefire.com

Founded:

1964

Primary Products/Services: Diesel Engine Fire Pump Drivers Market Area: Global

Hours of Operation: 24/7

#### Management:

Dane Petrie - President and CEO John Whitney - Senior Vice President Justin Strousse - Director of Global Sales Ken Wauligman - Engineering Manager Dave Scholten - Customer Support Manager Brandon Cushman - Production Mgr.

#### Sales Contact:

Mike Mathes , Market Development and US Dealer Support Email: mmathes@clarkefire.com

#### **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

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

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Douglas Loew, VP Export Sales Peter Levine, Sales Coordinator

Sales Contact:

Peter E. Levine, Sales Coordinator

#### **Company Profile:**

For over 100 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 Connections (Flush, Exposed, Freestanding and Storz), Fire Pump Test Connections, Roof Manifolds, Rack & Reel Assemblies, Cabinets, Extinguishers, Nozzles, Adapters, Inspection & Testing Equipment and much more. New Products include a complete Grooved Coupling Line, High Pressure FDCs & UL Listed Storz Connections. Because our equipment is critical for the protection of lives and property, we are continually striving to maintain and improve product quality year after year. This has been our mission since 1911. Choose Croker for the finest quality products, competitive pricing and exceptional service.

#### 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

1093

Primary Products/Services: Fire Protection Storage Tanks

Market Area: Global

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

#### Management:

Rick Wiedemann, V.P. Sales & Mktg. 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 proprietary coating technologies are the best in the business and have been field proven for more than 50 years. CST is the leading provider of factory-coated fire protection water tanks. CST's factory applied proprietary coating technologies are the best in the business and have been field proven for more than 50 years. CST leading brands; Aquastore, 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.

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

272 SW 12th Ave. Deerfield Beach, Florida 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.

Our reputation for quality and service has been instrumental in making us the number one supplier to the sprinkler retrofit industry, and we are well on our way to becoming the system of choice for covering plumbing piping, mechanical lines, wire, cable, and medical tubing.

Take a look at our product line and you will see why DecoShield<sup>®</sup> is, indeed, "The Creative Cover".

To receive our full product catalogue and samples, fill out our "Request Information" page or give us a call at (800) 873-0894.

#### 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:**

A family owned company involved with the fire industry since 1908. Our entire company is committed to customer satisfaction. We are

dedicated to excellence and offer a diverse line of quality products and services through progressive design, manufacturing and distribution. Darley is expanding into the residential fire sprinkler market and our new Self Testing Fire Sprinkler System will create the new standard for residential fire pumps.

**Eaton's B-Line Business** 

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

#### **Engineered Corrosion Solutions**

2043 Woodland Pkwy Suite 301 St. Louis, Missouri 63146 Phone: 314.432.1377 Website: http://ecscorrosion.com Contact: Lucas Kirn

#### **ERICO**

34600 Solon Road Solon, Ohio 44139 Phone: 440.542.3864 Toll Free: 800.813.3378 FAX: 440.542.6948

#### Company Profile:

ERICO is a leading global designer, manufacturer and marketer of precision-engineered specialty metal products serving niche markets in a diverse range of electrical, construction, utility and rail applications. The company is headquartered in Solon, Ohio with a network of sales locations serving more than 25 countries and with manufacturing and distribution facilities worldwide. ERICO manufactures a complete range of hangers, seismic braces and restraints for fire sprinkler installation.

#### 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 and Fabrication supplies the highest quality fire protection products in 27 states from 56 warehouse facilities dedicated to the fire sprinkler contractor. 27 of these facilities also have fabrication capabilities. Of these 27 fabrication facilities, 9 are ISO 9001:2008 CERTIFIED. These ISO 9001:2008 CERTIFIED locations are in Alabama, Arizona, Colorado, Maryland, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Texas and Washington. Ferguson Fire and Fabrication has and is continuing to grow their business and reputation on performing.

"Total Performance" is assured in the areas of product selection, fast and efficient shop and / or jobsite deliveries, job based or shop accounting and the most comprehensive inventory in the industry. We also do Special Hazards and fabrication. People make the difference at Ferguson Fire and Fabrication. This team of associates enthusiastically uses its experience to make sure each warehouse location operates in the best interest of the customer and the needs of that local market. This network of industry seasoned professionals makes total use of their combined talents to ensure the contractor the best possible results. Contractors can use the warehouse most convenient to the job with confidence that the people and products are the same high quality, all with centralized accounting. "Total Performance" in people, products, systems, market knowledge, delivery, accounting and comprehensive inventories is how our business was built.

#### **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

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#### Sales Contact:

Customer Service Phone: 800.344.1822 FAX: 760.931.8080

#### **Company Profile:**

Fire Protection Products, Inc. (FPPI) supplies fire sprinkler accessories to manufacturers, distributors and fabricators. The company's focus is on being the premier provider of fire sprinkler accessory products with the highest levels of product quality and customer service. FPPI offers escutcheons, signs and sprinkler accessories, sealants and lubricants, gaskets and gasket kits, hangers & fasteners, valves, rack hose, hose valves and accessories, miscellaneous brass, fire department connections and accessories and pressure gauges and accessories. Insist on FPPI.

#### Fire Technologies Corp.

7442 NW 55th St Miami, Florida 33166 Phone: 305.592.1914 Contact: Juan Carlos Guilbe



#### 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**

Fishers, Indiana 46040-9401 Phone: 317.735.3345 FAX: 317-735-3342 Website: www.formlinksystems.com Email: sales@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 Website: www.dropmaster.co Email: geccoinc@epix.net

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 R. DeCecco, Mgr., Customer Service Raymond M. Fremont Jr., Marketing Manager

Sales Contact: Raymond R. DeCecco, Manager – Customer Service

#### 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

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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

#### 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: 828.287.0416 FAX: 855.466.9320 Email: hank.evans@hdsupply.com 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:

Don Taylor, Regional V.P. Hank Evans, Regional Dir. of Ops Derek Allen, Pacific District Mgr. Chris Eldredge, S.W. District Mgr. Joe Horvath, No. Central District Mgr. Will Leonhardt, S.E. District Mgr. Joe Solomon, N.E. District Mgr.

#### 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

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

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#### **BRANCH LOCATIONS:**

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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

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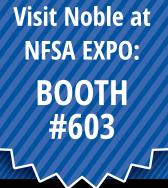
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Atlanta, Georgia 2157 Tucker Industrial Road Tucker, Georgia 30084 Phone: 770.414.1212 FAX: 770.414.1883

Chicago, Illinois 5144 West 73rd St. Bedford Park, Illinois 60638 Phone: 708.728.9793 FAX: 708.728.9826

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

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

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#### The Heller Strainer Company

3249 E. 80th St. Cleveland, Ohio 44104 Phone: 216.206.4200 FAX: 216.206.4242 Website: www.hellarstrainer.com Contact: Clarkson C. Wormer

#### Hilti, Inc.

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

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#### 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 ESTIMA-TOR is now included in both HASS<sup>®</sup> and COOSA<sup>®</sup> (below) as utilities.

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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

#### **NATIONAL FIRE SPRINKLER ASSOCIATION**

#### Market Area:

North America, South America, New Zealand, Australia

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

Management: Tim O'Leary, President

Sales Contact: Tim O'Leary, President

#### **Company Profile:**

Huguenot Laboratories, Inc. is the leader in providing Microbiological Influenced Corrosion analysis testing to identify and provide mitigation options to address corrosion problems in wet and dry fire sprinkler systems. Huguenot Laboratories has a full suite of portable and permanent Chemical Injection Systems, Wet System Air Release Systems, Corrosion Monitoring Stations, test kits and nitrogen generation equipment to address all of your fire sprinkler corrosion management requirements. Huguenot Laboratories patent pending dry gas inhibitor technology is the industry's first new technology for dry and 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 Stephen Downing, General Manager Paul McKenna, Customer Support Manager Bill McKenna, Design Manager

#### Sales Contact:

Art Dove, CAD Development Manager

#### **Company Profile:**

Hydratec has been providing guality software and design services for 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, HvdraLIST for fabrication reports. HvdraCALC for pipe sizing, HydraCALC-Sizer for pipe size estimating, HydraBID for price estimating and HydraCAD-R for NFPA 13-D Systems. 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.

#### Hvdro 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.

#### **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<sup>®</sup> 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.

PO 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<sup>™</sup> Concealment Systems

ALumA-Fit<sup>™</sup> 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 Soffi-Steel® and Interlock<sup>™</sup> Concealment Systems are made in the

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

#### Founded:

1877

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

A variety of valve products that meet AWWA specifications.

#### Management:

John Chalk, Customer Service Manager

#### **Knox Company**

1601 West Deer Valley Road Phoenix, Arizona 85027 Phone: 623.687.2300 Toll-Free: 800.552.5669 FAX: 623.687.2299 Website: www.knoxbox.com

#### Founded: 1975

Primary Products/Services: Locking FDC Plugs and Caps

Market Area:

### U.S. & Canada

Company Profile:

The Knox FDC Protection Program is a complete system that provides protection for both the intake and discharge sides of water based fire protection systems. Knox locking FDC products provide protection against thread damage and prevent debris from being lodged into uncovered connections. Locking products are available in a 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ " and 2  $\frac{1}{2}$ " male FDC plug, a 2  $\frac{1}{2}$ " female SecureCap® and 4" and 5" StorzGuard®. Plugs and caps come standard with NH threads. Other thread sizes are available upon request. The Knox Key Wrench, controlled by the fire department, secures and operates all locking Knox FDC

products. For more information, visit www. knoxbox.com.

#### 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.earthquakebrace.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 & Marketing 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.

#### Loos & Company Inc.

Cable Ware Division 901 Industrial Blvd. Naples, Florida 34104 Phone: 239.643.5667 Toll Free: 800.321.5667 FAX: 239.641.3539 Website: www.earthquakebrace.com

Founded: 1958

Market Area:

Worldwide

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

#### Management:

Anthony Naines, President Phillip Cox, V.P. Sales/Mktg Barry Grothause, V.P. Operations

#### Sales Contact:

Nora Boylan, Sales Mgr. Customer Service Tel: 800.321.5667 Fax: 239.643.4558

#### **Company Profile:**

Loos & Company is the manufacturer of Loos Seismic Wirerope/Cable Bracing. Complete earthquake bracing system for all types of fire sprinkler systems. Listed in NFPA 13; UL Listed; UBC, Boca, SBCCI Compliant; OSHPD Pre-Approved; EBC System Compatible.

#### **Lubrizol Advanced Materials**

17790 Eglantine Lane Bayside Estates Fort Myers Beach, Florida 33931 Phone: (216) 447-5142 Fax: (216) 447-5750

#### Management:

Gary Johnson

#### 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 Website: www.metraflex.com Email: zekeb@metraflex.com

#### Founded:

1958

Primary Products/Services: 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<sup>®</sup> Fireloop<sup>®</sup> 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

#### **Mueller Company**

633 Chestnut St Ste 1200 Chattanooga, Tennesee 37450-1202

#### Neill Supply Company, Inc.

700 Schuyler Ave Lyndhurst, New Jersey 07071 Phone: 201.939.1100 Contact: Jerry Cocuzza

#### **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

#### **Company Profile:**

As part of a national wholesale distribution organization, known as WinWholesale Inc., Newburgh Windustrial specializes in wholesale distribution of pipes, valves, and fittings for industrial applications. These run the spectrum from pipe, valves, and fittings used every day in commercial and industrial building and maintenance to specialty plastics and stainless steel piping and tubing used in industrial application.

Focusing mainly on mechanical contractors, professional purchasing agents, plant maintenance personnel, piping and fire protection contractors, 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

PO Box 360 Grand Haven, Michigan 49417 Phone: 231.799.8000

#### Management:

Debbie Kingma, Vice President

#### 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

2000

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.

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#### **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–Aurora Pump, Fairbanks Morse, Edwards

800 Airport Road North Aurora, Illinois 60542 Phone: 630 859-7000 FAX: 630 859-7060 Website: www.aurorapump.com www.fmpump.com www.edwardsmfg.com

Founded: 1909

Primary Products/Services: Fire Pumps/ Fire Systems/Foam Pumps

Market Area: Nat'l & Int'l

Hours of Operation: 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. CST M-F

#### Management:

Susan Kucera, Vertical Mkt. Mgr. – Fire David Goddard, V.P. Commercial Sales Steve Gordon, Director of Int'I Sales

#### Sales Contact:

Jim Considine - Southeast 239.464.9496

Roger Hahn – West 626.857.9490 David Botts – Midwest 816.272.5535 RJ Dausman – N.E. & National Sales Mgr. Tel: 315.638.4688

#### **Company Profile:**

Pentair Water's family of brands includes wellknown names in fire pumps, including Aurora Pump, Fairbanks Morse and Edwards. We are a leading fire pump, packaged fire system and foam pump supplier devoted to designing and manufacturing pumps and systems used in a variety of markets and applications throughout the world. Our talented team of engineers and customer service representatives will provide you with solutions to meet your pumping needs. You can rely on Pentair and our qualified distribution network for quality fire protection solutions. Find us on the web at www.aurorapump.com, www. fmpump.com, and www.edwardsmfg.com or call 888.987.8680 for more information

#### **OFFICE LOCATIONS:**

800 Airport Rd. No. Aurora, IL 60542 Tel: 888.987.8680

3601 Fairbanks Ave. Kansas City, KS 66106 Tel: 888.416.9510

1101 Myers Pkwy. Ashland, OH 44805 Tel: 888.416.9510

#### 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'I 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: 502-582-2261 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

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#### **INSIDE SALES:**

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#### 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



#### 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.

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#### **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, Mon.-Fri.

Management: Kirk Reimer, V.P., Commercial

Lenny Colasounno, V.P., Marketing

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



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#### **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 Website: www.reliablesprinkler.com Email: info@reliablesprinkler.com

#### Founded: 1918

#### 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 – President Kevin T. Fee – Executive V.P. Michael R. Fee – V.P. John McNamara – V.P., Sales Rex Schwendiman – V.P., System Components Tom Multer – V.P., Product Technology Graeme Leonard – V.P., International Sales Kevin T. Fee, Jr. – Director, National Account Sales

#### **Company Profile:**

As a major manufacturer of automatic fire sprinklers, valves, and special hazards/system products and a distributor of sprinkler system components, Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., Inc., is your one source for all your fire protection needs. Reliable offers fabrication in local 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 U.S. and internationally. Reliable is dedicated to developing new innovative products and providing superior customer service.

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

#### WEST COAST REGION:

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:**

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Portland, OR Tel: 503.282.5506 Fax: 503.282.0092

Denver, CO Tel.: 877.440.2598 Fax: 877.205.7230

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#### **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 Insurance

Sales Contact: Ray Rittersbach email: rrittersbach@relmarkgroup.com

#### **RJB** Wholesale, Inc.

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

#### **SigmaPiping Products**

5000 Askins Houston, Texas 77093 Tel: 800.999.0109



#### **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.

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#### South-Tek Systems

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

#### **Spears Manufacturing Company**

PO Box 9203 Sylmar, California 91342 Phone: 818.364.1611 FAX: 818.367.3014 Website: www.spearsmfg.com

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Primary Products/Services: Fittings and Valves Management: Wayne Spears, President

#### **SPP Pumps**

6720 Best Friend Rd. 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 Jim Leach, National Sales Manager Patrice Fino, Marketing Manager

#### Sales Contact:

Jimmy Hunt Phone: 770.409.3280 ext. 2204

#### 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.

3550 S 54 Street Franklin Wisconsin 53132-8668 Phone: 414.483.5959 Fax: 414.483.1566 Website: www.starfireusa.com Email: info@starfireusa.com

#### Founded: 1987

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Sprinkler Material and Fire Pumps Market Area:

Midwest & Southwestern U.S./International

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

Management: Darrel R. Malek, Chairman Scott Mathwig, President

#### Sales Contact:

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:

Jeff Klein – Vice President & General Manager Dave Lyons – VP of 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 guality product with the information and support you need to install and maintain our products. Because we place a premium on research and development, System Sensor sprinkler monitoring products are quick and easy to install and maintain.

#### **Talco Industries**

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

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#### **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 guality working drawings that are prepared by NICET certified designers with oversight by professional engineers.

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5500 Democracy Dr. Ste 160 Plano, TX 75024 Tel: 972.608.8855 FAX: 972.781.2499 Contact: Russ Mower

#### Thermafit Industries, Inc.

723 Sonora Avenue Glendale, California 91201 Phone: 877.827.2782

Management: Armond Sarkisian, CEO

#### TOLCO<sup>®</sup>, a Brand of Cooper B-Line

509 West Monroe Highland, Illinois 62249 Phone: 800.851.7415 FAX: 800.257.4312 Website: www.cooperbline.com/tolco Email: margie.doll@cooperindustries.com

#### 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.totaleguipment.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 Websites:

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

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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 Suzanne Rowland, G.M. – Special Hazards James Golinveaux – Senior Fellow, Water Fire Suppression

#### 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, guick 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.



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#### 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: 952.997.4241 FAX: 952.891.2008 Website: www.uponor-usa.com Email: eric.skare@uponor.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 mine for homeowners, installers and AHJ's.

#### **USA Tank Storage Systems**

14174 Highway 43 Seneca, Missouri 64865 Phone: 417.776.2500 FAX: 417.776.2524 Website: www.usatanksales.com

Founded: 1978

**Primary Products/Services:** Fire Protection/Water Storage Tanks

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

#### Management:

Brian Bell – President & CEO Chris Slinkard – General Manager Steve Currence – Director of Sales

#### Sales Contact:

Steve Currence

#### **Company Profile:**

USA Tank has been engineering and constructing customized storage systems for over 30 years. We are an industry leader in the supply and erection of storage tanks in coated carbon steel, stainless steel and fiberglass construction. We provide storage tanks for potable water, fire protection, wastewater and petroleum industries. USA Tank also offers maintenance, inspection, repair and tank insulation systems for heated and cold storage applications. We can provide turnkey solutions for all your tank storage needs.



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.



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#### Viking

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

#### Primary Products/Services:

Fire Sprinklers / Systems Fire Protection Valves CPVC Pipe and Fittings Fabrication Services VGS<sup>™</sup> 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 Joe Bardowski – Vice President, Operations Tom O'Connor – President, Viking Manufacturing Mike Bosma – Executive Vice President, Sales, Viking SupplyNet

Cary Nicol – Vice President, Sales

#### Sales Contact:

Jeff Norton – Vice President, Marketing, Viking Group Tel: 269.945.8312

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#### Company Profile:

Together, the companies of Viking (Viking Corporation, Viking SupplyNet, Viking Fabrication Services, Viking Plastics, and VGS<sup>™</sup> Grooved Piping Systems) 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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#### **NATIONAL FIRE SPRINKLER ASSOCIATION**

#### BRANCH OFFICES: United States of America

#### **Viking Corporation**

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#### Viking SupplyNet - South Region

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#### Viking SupplyNet (Orlando)

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#### Viking SupplyNet (Miami)

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#### Viking SupplyNet (Houston)

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#### **Dyne Technologies LLC**

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#### Elite Sprinkler Design & Consulting, Inc.

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#### **Engineered Design Group**

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

11832 Tammy Way Grass Valley, CA 95949 Phone: 530.274.9400 Fax: 530.274.9488 Website: www.engineeredfiresystems.com Email: eprice@efs1.com Contact: Eric Price, SET, President Services: Fire sprinkler system design with over 35 years of experience. NICET level 3 and4 designers on staff

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

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#### Services:

Fire Sprinkler, Fire Suppression, Special Hazards and Fire Alarm System Design and Commissioning. Life Safety and Code Consulting Services, Insurance and Fire Origin Investigations.

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2420 Alft Ln. Ste. 100 Elgin, IL 60124 Phone: 847.697.1300 FAX: 847.697.1310 Contact: Jimbo Schifiliti Email: jimbo@fiersafetyfsci.com

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#### Services:

Fire protection engineering, safety & health engineering, property loss control consulting, post loss investigation, litigation consulting.

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#### **Northwest Sprinkler Designs**

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Services: Fire Protection Design Services

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By Joanne Genadio

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# Omitting Sprinklers in a Fully Sprinklered Building

s with most simple rules, it's the exceptions that make things interesting.

A fundamental concept in NFPA 13 is that, when we provide automatic sprinkler protection in a building, we provide it throughout the whole building - except for the places where we don't. We lay this out under **General Requirements** (NFPA 13, 4.1) and repeat it again for emphasis under **Installation Requirements** (NFPA 13, 8.1.1\*).

**4.1 Level of Protection**. A building, where protected by an automatic sprinkler system installation, shall be provided with sprinklers in all areas except where specific sections of this standard permit the omission of sprinklers.

**8.1.1**\* The requirements for spacing, location, and position of sprinklers shall be based on the following principles: (1) Sprinklers shall be installed throughout the premises.

(4) Sprinklers shall be permitted to be omitted from areas specifically allowed by this standard.

A great deal of discussion has been devoted to some of the places where sprinklers are permitted to be omitted in concealed spaces and other unoccupied building spaces but considerably less to when they may be omitted from occupiable rooms in an otherwise fully sprinklered building. This article will touch on some of those rooms and the situations where sprinklers may be omitted directly under the requirements of NFPA 13. It will also look at the exceptions created by the combination of NFPA 13 and the International Building Code and International Fire Code (IBC/IFC).

#### Rooms Where Sprinklers May Be Omitted Under NFPA 13

Four sections in NFPA 13 identify occupiable areas that have special rules allowing sprinklers to be omitted under specific circumstances in elevator mechanical rooms, certain spaces within dwelling units, hospital clothes closets, and electrical equipment rooms.

#### Elevators

Section 8.15.5 addresses Elevator Hoistways and Machine Rooms. In language new to the 2013 edition of NFPA 13 (8.15.5.3), sprinklers may be omitted from elevator machinery rooms that meet five requirements:

- The room must be devoted to elevator equipment only.
- The room must be provided with smoke or fire detection meeting NFPA 72 alarm requirements.
- The room must be separated from the rest of the building by fire resistant construction meeting the requirements of the applicable building code.
- The room must not be used for storage

of any kind.

• The room must not contain elevator machinery of the hydraulic type.

This allowance represents a reconciliation between the NFPA 13 sprinkler standard and the Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators (ASME A17.1); sometimes referred to as the National Elevator Code. In many parts of the country, jurisdiction over elevators falls outside of the realm of local building code enforcement officials and lies instead with a separate AHJ enforcing ASME A17.1. This has occasionally brought about conflicting requirements in the past. The new language in 8.15.5.3 allows sprinklers to be omitted in the mechanical room when it meets the requirements of ASME A17.1 while still allowing the building to be considered "fully sprinklered" for purposes of building code "trade ups."

#### **Dwelling Units**

Section 8.15.8 addresses **Dwelling Units** including some special allowances for omitting sprinklers in certain bathrooms,

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closets, and pantries located within the dwelling unit itself but only in hotels and motels. Sprinklers may be omitted in small bathrooms (55 square-feet or less) provided that the room has a ceiling and walls of noncombustible or limitedcombustible construction. They must provide at least a 15-minute thermal barrier such as might be provided by ordinary gypsum board or green board (NFPA 13, 8.15.8.1.1). Likewise, sprinklers may be omitted from small closets and pantries (24 square-feet or less) of noncombustible or limited-combustible construction (NFPA 13, 8.15.8.2). These two longstanding exemptions represent early efforts to encourage owners of hotels and motels to install sprinklers by reducing the number of required sprinklers in many typical hotel rooms from four to just two. These omissions have been technically justified by observing that very few fires start in hotel bathrooms or closets. Unlike non-



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transient dwelling units where people live for extended periods, these areas in hotels and motels tend to resist the accumulation of combustibles keeping their hazard levels low.

#### **Hospital Closets**

Section 8.15.9 addresses **Hospital Clothes Closets** in patient rooms and provides a conservative exemption permitting sprinklers to be omitted from very small clothes closets, defined as 6 square-feet or less, provided that the room sprinklers are spaced to protect the floor area of the closet as if it was a piece of furniture. This is much the same way a freestanding armoire would be treated. This corresponds with a closet allowance in the requirements of the Life Safety Code (NFPA 101, 18.3.5.10\*) which apply to virtually every hospital and health care facility in the United States.

#### **Electrical Equipment Rooms**

Section 8.15.11 addresses rooms containing Electrical Equipment and the conditions where it is permissible to omit sprinklers in electrical equipment rooms. In order for sprinklers to be omitted, four conditions must be met (NFPA 13, 8.15.11.3):

**8.15.11.3** Sprinklers shall not be required in electrical equipment rooms where all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The room is dedicated to electrical equipment only.

(2) Only dry-type electrical equipment is used.

(3) Equipment is installed in a 2-hour fire-rated enclosure including protection for penetrations.

(4) No combustible storage is permitted to be stored in the room.

The last two requirements are straightforward and reminiscent of the requirements for elevator machinery rooms: no storage and a fire resistance rated enclosure. The first two requirements are less readily understood without establishing what it is that the standard means by "electrical equipment."

NFPA 13 does not provide a definition

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for "electrical equipment" which leads us first to the <u>Merriam-Webster Dictionary</u>, <u>11th Edition</u>, as required by 3.1 (NFPA 13). This provides us with definitions for "electrical" and "equipment" but not together as a term of art. Defining electrical equipment in this context is left to professional judgment. One reasonably supportable interpretation is that, in this context, the committee's intent is to allow the omission of sprinklers from rooms containing equipment dedicated to the generation, transmission, and distribution of electrical power – not just any old equipment that happens to run on electricity.

Like NFPA 13, the National Electrical Code (NFPA 70) lacks a definition for electrical equipment but Recommended Practice for Electrical Equipment Maintenance (NFPA 70B, 3.3.22) does not:

**3.3.22** Electrical Equipment. A general term applied to the material, fittings, devices, fixtures, and apparatus that are part of, or are used in connection with, an electrical installation and includes the electrical power-generating system; substations; distribution systems; utilization equipment; and associated control, protective, and monitoring devices.

The U.S. Department of Energy provides a similar definition in the Code of Federal Regulations (18 CFR Conservation of Power and Water Resources 2015):

Electrical equipment means any apparatus, device, integral component, or integral part used in an activity which is electrically, electronically, mechanically, or by legal prescription necessary to the process of generation, transmission, or distribution of electric energy.

The second condition listed in 8.15.11.3 mentioning dry-type electrical equipment is consistent with these definitions as "dry-type" power transformers arguably provide a less significant fire hazard than oil coolant filled "wet-type" transformers.

Lastly, this situation parallels the elevator situation in that power transmission and distribution equipment located in a building can, under some circumstances, fall under the jurisdiction of a public utility and not under the jurisdiction of building code officials. In those cases, the permission to omit sprinklers within the language of NFPA 13 can provide a buffer between overlapping jurisdictions and conflicting regulations.

#### Room Exemptions Permissible Under IBC/IFC

Most of the International Building Codes allowances for omitting sprinklers fall under 903.3.1.1.1. Some of these correspond with exemptions already provided under NFPA 13 but others are unique.

#### [F] 903.3.1.1.1 Exempt locations.

Automatic sprinklers shall not be required in the following rooms or areas where such rooms or areas are protected with an approved automatic fire detection system in accordance with Section 907.2 that will respond to visible or invisible particles of combustion. Sprinklers shall not be omitted from any room merely because it is damp, of fire-resistance-rated construction or contains electrical equipment.

This section provides six exemptions. The first two are consistent with NFPA 13's elevator exemptions:

- Fire service access elevator machine rooms and machinery spaces. (ICC, 903.3.1.1.1(5))
- Machine rooms, machinery spaces, control rooms and control spaces associated with occupant evacuation elevators designed in accordance with Section 3008 of the International Building Code. (ICC, 903.3.1.1.1(6))

The next exemption is consistent with the previously stated interpretation of NFPA 13's allowances for electrical equipment. The last part of the charging language in 903.3.1.1 makes it clear that sprinklers are not to be omitted just because a room contains any random electrical equipment: "Sprinklers shall not be omitted from any room merely because it... contains electrical equipment." A similar exemption is provided for buildings and rooms containing telecommunications equipment, provided with smoke detection, and separated by 2 hour fire resistant construction (ICC, 903.2 Exception).

Generator and transformer rooms separated from the remainder of the building by walls and floor/ceiling or roof/ceiling assemblies having a fire-resistance rating of not less than 2 hours. (ICC, 903.3.1.1.1(3))

NFPA 13 provides exemptions for noncombustible concealed spaces but the exemption for noncombustible occupiable rooms with noncombustible contents is unique to IBC/IFC.

 Rooms or areas that are of noncombustible construction with wholly noncombustible contents. (ICC, 903.3.1.1.1(4))

Lastly, although NFPA 13 does not identify a specific exemption corresponding to 903.3.1.1.1(1), it is stated implicitly in the Scope and Purpose of the sprinkler standard. Clearly, it is not the intention of NFPA 13 to require sprinklers in a space where discharging water would create more of a hazard than a fire would create in an unsprinklered room.

 Any room where the application of water, or flame and water, constitutes a serious life or fire hazard. (ICC, 903.3.1.1.1(1))

The last of the IBC/IFC exemptions is the most challenging because it is so entirely subjective.

• Any room or space where sprinklers are considered undesirable because of the nature of the contents, when approved by the fire code official. (ICC, 903.3.1.1.1(2))

"Undesirable "could be any condition that the AHJ can be convinced to accept. In the last part of this article, we will discuss one of the situations most commonly proposed as "undesirable" and why omitting sprinklers in that situation may not be prudent fire protection.

#### Sprinklers and Server Rooms

Computer server rooms are often pro->> CONTINUED ON PAGE 74

posed as rooms where the sprinklers are "undesirable" and an exemption is sought. As businesses become more and more dependent on computer technology, the value of their information systems increases so it is no wonder that they are very protective of those systems. Concern over potential water damage from sprinklers in server rooms is an understandable but unjustified reaction. A common request is to permit the omission of sprinklers in server rooms in exchange for providing a clean agent system; permissible under 903.1.1 and the sprinkler exemptions discussed previously.

**[F] 903.1.1** Alternative protection. Alternative automatic fireextinguishing systems complying with Section 904 shall be permitted in lieu of automatic sprinkler protection where recognized by the applicable standard and approved by the fire code official.

However, from a practical standpoint, this means that none of the trade ups available for fully sprinklered buildings are available for buildings protected by alternative protection methods.

**[F] 904.2.1** Restriction on using automatic sprinkler system exceptions or reductions. Automatic fire-extinguishing systems shall not be considered alternatives for the purposes of exceptions or reductions allowed by other requirements of this code.

Simply put, alternative protection methods do not provide the same level of protection as installing an automatic sprinkler system throughout the building. While clean agent systems provide potentially the least damaging protection method for electronic equipment, they are single discharge systems. If a fire is not extinguished sufficiently by the initial discharge, it may rekindle and grow unchallenged in a room now without a working fire protection system.

The fact is that the NFPA Standard for the Protection of Information Technology (NFPA 75) requires sprinklers in server rooms located in buildings provided with sprinklers. In buildings without sprinklers, it requires server rooms to be provided with sprinklers, clean agent systems, or both. Clearly, any misgivings about protecting server rooms with sprinkler systems are not shared by the committee tasked with developing NFPA 75.

#### 8.1 Automatic Fire Protection Systems

**8.1.1** Information technology equipment rooms and information technology equipment areas located in a sprinklered building shall be provided with an automatic sprinkler system.

**8.1.1.1** Information technology equipment rooms and information technology equipment areas located in a nonsprinklered building shall be provided with an automatic sprinkler system, a gaseous clean agent system, or both (see Section 8.4).

Rather than omitting sprinklers in server rooms in favor of clean agent systems, the best practice would be to provide a clean agent system for the least potentially damaging protection of the information systems in addition to the sprinkler system for the protection of both the room's contents and structure itself. Where concern exists over potential water damage, the server room should be protected using a single interlock preaction system thus substantially reducing the information systems' potential exposure to water damage.

#### Summary

NFPA 13 and IBC/IFC provide several generally well defined situations where sprinklers may be omitted. Due care and consideration should be taken to consider the impact on fire protection when these options are exercised. In some cases these omissions can equate to substantial cost savings with minimal affect on fire protection. In others they can have significant negative impact on fire protection coupled with the loss of considerable savings in sprinkler trade ups. It is important that each case be

#### evaluated thoroughly.

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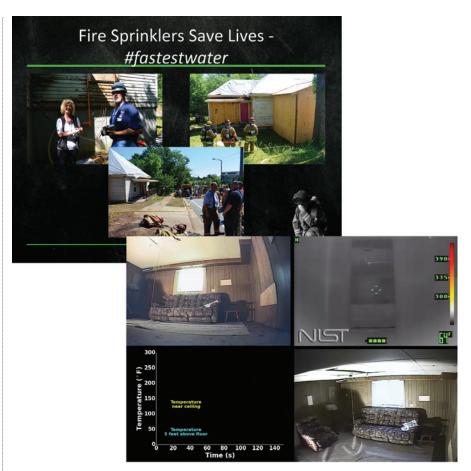
## **Notes from the Fire Scene**

t a recent Smoke Alarm Summit, hosted by Vision 20/20 in Baltimore, Maryland, fire sprinklers took center stage. How you may ask? Presence. Our NFSA *#fastestwater* campaign is making a difference with fire service leaders, as was evidenced at the Summit. Our presence via social media venues, specifically Twitter, was recognized at the Summit, which was attended by national leaders from allied organizations including the U.S. Fire Administration and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

Bobby Halton, Editor of Fire Engineering, recognized **#fastestwater** as an example of social media working and how positive influence happens when you choose a hashtag that resonates and stick with it consistently.

For those of you who follow NFSA on Twitter (@NFSAorg) you know that we add the hashtag throughout our daily posts, helping to "trend" our topic. Basically, anywhere you would use the word fire sprinklers you add the marketing term that makes us trend, **#fastestwater**. Joanne Genadio, NFSA Manager of Marketing, gets creative with highlights of sprinkler saves and stories that spotlight fire sprinklers in action. She also does a great job of sharing the tragedies... where there were no fire sprinklers and the outcome is non-desirable.

So, what about the back story on #fastestwater? Or, as Paul Harvey would ask, "what's the rest of the story?" **#fast**estwater was born in direct response to



fire dynamics research conducted by the International Society of Fire Service Instructors (ISFSI), National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), and the South Carolina State Fire Marshal's Office (at the time led by NFSA's own Chief Shane Ray). During research conducted in Spartanburg, SC, the hashtag **#fastwater** was born. The basic notion

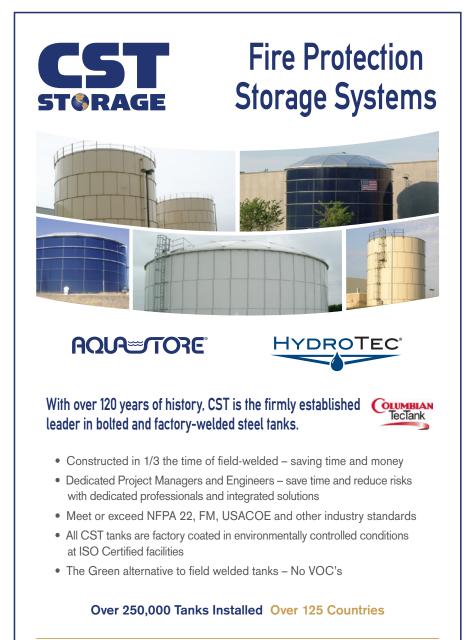


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here is that the faster firefighters can get water on the fire the better the outcome for citizens and firefighters alike. Makes common sense even to us non-firefighters doesn't it?

Dan Madrzykowski, Chief Fire Research Scientist with NIST, provided us the opportunity to conduct a fire sprinkler test during both research series (2013 and 2014) at Spartanburg Burns. Asking NFSA's Director of Public Fire Protection (me) to ignite the fire where fire sprinklers were present was a logical thought, and the media on-hand to document the research were all tuned in to see fire sprinklers in action. As the fire grew, and once temperature of 150 degrees plus was reached, the fire sprinkler activated and controlled the fire. Our immediate



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comment to Dan and the media present was "now that's fastest water!" Obviously, the phrase stuck and continues to help us spotlight fire sprinklers in action.

How can you embrace this campaign? First of all, if you're not engaged in the world of Twitter, I encourage you to sign up. This platform allows you to follow individuals and organizations - I can honestly say that keeping up with breaking news is easier for me because of Twitter. Once you have established your online presence, join in and help us "drive" the conversation. Say things about fire sprinklers and add the #fastestwater. Retweet the items that are shared on a daily basis by NFSA (@NFSAorg) - my Twitter accounts are @ vickiep4 and @NFSAPFP - if you want to keep up in real time to where we are and what we are learning as Public Fire Protection works to build partnerships and allies across America. We'd love to have you join our conversation, and many times help us create it. As we focus on sharing the good news of fire sprinkler saves, association news & events, and positive leadership items as well, we look forward to growing our reach. Working together we are making a difference by sharing what we do and who we are. We are on a mission to grow our team!

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# Coordinating NFPA 25 and NFPA 72 ITM Requirements

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he inspection, testing, and maintenance (ITM) requirements for some parts of sprinkler systems are addressed by other documents in addition to NFPA 25. With many electrical components, those ITM requirements can be found in NFPA 72, the National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code. Both NFPA 25 and NFPA 72 recognize this and expect, even require in the case of NFPA 25, coordination during ITM. This coordination requirement doesn't mean that one standard takes precedence over another; the requirements of both must be met. What is critical is how to achieve coordination and while complying with both NFPA 25 and NFPA 72 at the same time.

Before discussing the coordination needs, it is important to understand the purpose and the scope of the two documents. The purpose of both is similar in that the goal is to ensure a reasonable degree of protection through ITM. Neither document attempts to address every possible circumstance in every case. The difference, though, is in their scope. While NFPA 25 is focused solely on wear and tear of existing water-based fire protection systems, NFPA 72 is a comprehensive document detailing design, installation, and performance of fire alarm and other systems, as well as ITM.

Because of that major difference, a typical system inspection takes on a totally different look depending on which standard or code applies. NFPA 25 Section 1.1.3.1 makes it clear that verifying the adequacy of the system design is not part of routine ITM. Chapter 14 of NFPA 72, on the other hand, includes as part of its inspection requirements to "inspect for building modifications, occupancy changes, changes in environmental condition" that effect equipment performance.

Even though the scope of inspections differ between the two documents, testing procedures of some common components are the same. For example, both NFPA 25 and 72 outline the testing of valve supervisory switches and water flow devices the same way. But while the test methods may be the same, in the case of valve supervisory switches, the frequencies are not. NFPA 25 requires that they be tested semiannually while NFPA 72 requires testing on an annual frequency. Because NFPA 25's frequency exceeds NFPA 72's, testing per NFPA 25 will, of course, meet the requirements of NFPA 72.

Some components addressed by both NFPA 25 and 72 can be inspected and tested alone, but in many cases, they are part of a larger system and need to be tested together with other parts of the system. NFPA 25 now requires that the full flow test of preaction and deluge valves incorporate the "full functionality of the system as a unit." That section (13.4.3.2.2.1) is new in the 2014 edition and was written to ensure that all system components are tested together to verify proper system operation.

NFPA 25 addresses the issue of coordination directly in chapter 1. NFPA 72 also speaks to it although not as clearly. Both, though, require that whoever is performing ITM work be qualified. That is ultimately the key. The technicians inspecting and testing the systems and their individual components must be knowledgeable of their limits and their individual scope of work. Some states and local jurisdictions address this through licensing laws and other workplace regulations.

There are many more coordination nuances than can be addressed in this column. For that reason, NFSA has partnered with the Automatic Fire Alarm Association (AFAA) to produce and deliver a full-day training seminar on this topic. This course is team-taught by subject-matter experts from both associations and will be delivered across the country in the coming months. Visit www.nfsa.org and follow the link to the seminar calendar for more information on dates and locations.



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The year's Annual NFSA New Jersey Chapter Benefit Golf Outing will benefit the New Jersey State Fire Protection and Prevention Association. The golf outing will be held on June 4, 2015 at the Beaver Brook County Club, 25 Country Club Drive, Annandale, NJ 08801, the same location as last year. Registration is at 11:30 a.m. with a shot gun start at 1:00 p.m. Play format is a four person team scramble. Cost is \$175.00 per player which includes a BBQ lunch, dinner, green fees, cart, and five beverage cart tickets. Prizes include 1st, 2nd and last place winners, longest drive and closet to the pin. There is a special foursome with tee sponsor at \$800.00. Cost for dinner only is \$50.00.

Registrations are limited to the first 144 paid registrants.

For more information call David Kurasz at 866.226.6006 or email Kurasz@nfsa. org. 0

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#### SOUTHEAST REGION



WAYNE WAGGONER Associate Director of Regional Operations - East

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

NFSA's Board of Directors held its most recent meeting in Atlanta, Georgia at the Marriott Marquis. It was the first time in the new millennium that the association's Board of Directors met in the Southeast Region, providing the unique opportunity for NFSA's Board to hear updates from representatives of three state fire sprinkler associations in the region.

Patrick Cordi and Ray Vance were in attendance representing the Georgia Fire Sprinkler Association, Greg Willis representing the Alabama Fire Sprinkler Association and Scotty Mill representing the South Carolina Fire Sprinkler Association. Each thanked NFSA for the training support they have received and for the invitation to attend the meeting.

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#### FLORIDA & PUERTO RICO



LORELL BUSH Regional Manager

FLORIDA, PUERTO RICO

On March 23rd the Florida Fire Sprinkler Association – a chapter of NFSA held the 21st Annual Buddy Dewar Golf Classic at Mystic Dunes Resort in Celebration, Florida. Despite early morning rain, more than 160 golfers turned out for one of the fire sprinkler industry's premier events. In recognition of his many contributions to the advancement of the fire sprinkler industry, Buck Buchanan of Globe Fire Sprinkler Corporation was honored as this year's Champion of the Industry, the chapter's highest honor.

#### Lorell Bush

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#### **GREAT LAKES REGION**



#### **RON BROWN**

INDIANA, MICHIGAN, OHIO, WEST VIRGINIA, KENTUCKY

On April 21, 1934 at Ohio State Penitentiary, a fire killed 320 inmates, making it one of the worst prison disasters in American history. Although some guards worked to save the lives of their charges, the seemingly willful indifference displayed by other guards led to a general riot. Firefighters initially could not get access to the fire because angry prisoners pelted them with rocks. By the time the fire was controlled. hundreds were dead or seriously injured. The tragedy was largely condemned by the media as preventable.  ${f 0}$ 

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#### **ILLINOIS REGION**



A fire in a Sandburg Middle School science classroom damaged ceiling tiles, class supplies and audio-video equipment, but no one was injured thanks to a fire sprinkler system. Firefighters arriving on the scene from Elmhurst Fire Department found heavy smoke coming from the firstfloor science room. By then, faculty and students had all been safely evacuated.

It is believed the fire was caused by a chemical reaction. Thanks to the fire sprinkler system damage from the fire was minimal. The fire service was able to clean up the area, replace the activated sprinkler and put the system back in service.

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## REGIONAL ROUNDUP

#### WISCONSIN REGION

DAN GENGLER

**Regional Manager** 

WISCONSIN

NFSA's Regional Manager Dan Gengler attended the two-day Wisconsin State Firefighter Association Convention and Exhibit in Stevens Point March 6 & 7. More than 600 members of the association attended the three-day conference to enhance their volunteer and paid-on-call fire service skills.

The NFSA booth was busy for the exhibit portion of the convention. As with all exhibitions, new believers and doubters are given insight as to the value of fire sprinkler protection. With this particular event, educating the firefighters occasionally becomes a challenge that is met. As Dan has often said, "To PLAY with us, you've got to be good. To STAY with us, you've got to be better. And to BEAT us, you've got to be kidding!" 🛈

#### Dan Gengler

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#### **MINNESOTA REGION**



TOM BRACE **Regional Manager** 

MINNESOTA

A fire in a St. Cloud textile rental services

and supply company was extinguished

by a fire sprinkler system. The St. Cloud

Fire Department was alerted by an alarm

shortly after midnight. Upon arrival at

the scene, they found the fire was being

controlled by the fire sprinkler system.

There were no injuries reported and damage was limited to \$2,000 for the pile of

linen in which the fire started and the

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## REGIONAL ROUNDUP

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smoke that filled the building.  $oldsymbol{0}$ 

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#### **CENTRAL REGION**



**CHRIS GAUT Regional Manager** 

IOWA, KANSAS, MISSOURI

On May 10th in Columbia, MO, the Missouri Fire Sprinkler Coalition hosted a one-day Fire Sprinkler Summit that was well received with over 50 building and fire code officials in attendance. There were several presentations given which included Matt Klaus of NFPA, Tom Lia of the Northern Illinois Fire Sprinkler Advisory Board, and Peg Paul of the Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition. Topics included NFPA 13D overview. Public Outreach about Home Fire Sprinklers, and a great presentation done by Chief Rick Ennis of Cape Girardeau about how the fire service should be embracing fire sprinklers. The Columbia Fire Department conducted a side by side burn. A special thank you goes out to the St. Louis Fire Sprinkler Alliance and the Kansas City Area Fire Sprinkler Contractors Association who sponsored lunch for the event.

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#### SOUTH CENTRAL REGION



**CYNTHIA GIEDRAITIS Regional Manager** 

ARKANSAS, LOUISIANA. OKLAHOMA, TEXAS

The North Texas Chapter of NFSA is up and running and actively addressing local legislative issues, arranging training seminars and working to improve business conditions. Below is a list of officers. Anvone in the industry interested in joining in the chapter's efforts are encouraged to contact a chapter officer or NFSA Regional Manager Cindy Giedraitis.

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#### **GREAT PLAINS REGION**



**ERIC GLEASON** Regional Manager

Colorado, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming

The Colorado Fire Protection Association's (CFPA) 2015 Fire Protection Expo will be held May 7th at the Double Tree Hotel in Denver, CO. In addition to a vendor tradeshow, the event will also include apprentice training and seminars with continuing education credit being offered.

For more information, contact CFPA at 303.506.6140.

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#### SOUTHWEST REGION



**BRUCE LECAIR** Associate Director of Regional **Operations - WEST** 

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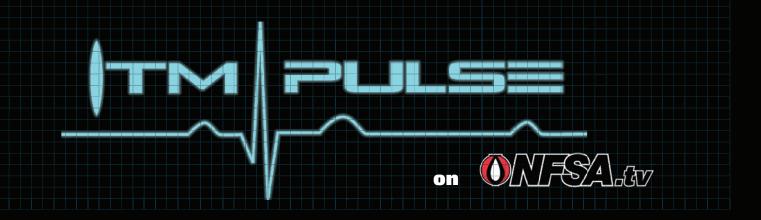
The Arizona Chapter of NFSA announced the appointment of David Fabook from the Tempe Fire Department as Secretary-Treasurer of the newly formed Chapter. David is one of the only, if not the first non-industry board member of a local NFSA chapter in the United States.

Chapter President Fred Graves wrote, "David's appointment and acceptance of this position is representative of our Chapter's vision of this Association and the role we want to play in the fire protection and fire prevention industry throughout the state of Arizona. We firmly believe that the local Fire Departments and Fire Prevention Divisions are critical stakeholders in the industry as plan reviewers, inspectors, and code enforcers of properly installed and maintained fire protection systems. Many times the first responders are the ones at the greatest risk in the event of the failure of one of these systems. I believe David's presence on our board is an indication of our desire to be very inclusive of the Fire Protection/ Prevention arm of our industry in the activities, influence, and future growth of our Arizona Chapter of NFSA."

In his new capacity, David was formally introduced to Chapter members at its March 17th meeting held at the Phoenix Fire Department Training Center in Phoenix, Arizona.

> Bruce Lecair NFSA's Associate Director of >> CONTINUED ON PAGE 84

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Jason Webb Director of Inspection, Testing and Maintenance

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#### NORTHWEST REGION



#### SUZANNE MAYR Regional Manager

ALASKA, IDAHO, MONTANA, OREGON, WASHINGTON

#### NFSA's Two-week Layout Technician Seminar Coming to Washington

Ken Isman and John Corso will be the instructors at NFSA's two-week Layout Technician class June 1 - 12 in Fife, WA. This "fire sprinkler boot camp" is geared toward students that are fairly new to the industry (5-6 months on the job is ideal) and have basic knowledge of math, physical science and drafting skills. The class teaches them to be productive basic sprinkler layout and detailing technicians. All of the work elements necessary for NICET Level II Certification will be covered by the course.

The fee includes continental breakfast, lunch, and all course materials (copy of NFPA 13 2010 edition, the NFSA textbook "Layout, Detail & Calculation of Fire Sprinkler Systems," and a workbook of exercises and useful handouts. Lodging costs are NOT covered. (Remember the US Open is in the Tacoma area at this time so reserve early!)

Homework will be assigned each night. Each day will begin with a review of the previous night's homework. Classes begin at 8 a.m. and should conclude by 5 p.m., with the last day ending no later than 1 p.m. The classes will be held at the Patriot Fire Protection Conference Center, 7107 28th Street East, Fife, WA 98424.

Registration: NFSA Members/AHJs \$1,300 Non-Members: \$1,900 **O** 

#### Suzanne Mayr

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#### Solberg's Ted Schaefer Retires – Honored for His Contributions

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Ted joined Solberg in 2007 as General Manager for the Asia Pacific Region, when Solberg Scandinavian AS purchased the assets of 3M Australia upon its withdrawal from the firefighting foam market. Over his 35 year career, Ted received many industry awards and honors, and has written numerous conference papers and publications on firefighting foams that have helped raise the standards in firefighting foam technology. The Solberg Family wishes Ted all the best in his retirement as he will be missed by his friends and colleagues.

#### Ameripipe Supply, Inc. To Launch Atlanta Operation

Company taps Gary Singleton as Manager Dallas-based construction wholesaler and fabricator Ameripipe Supply, Inc. has announced it is opening a fabrication and warehouse distribution operation in the Atlanta suburb of Stone Mountain. The company also said **Gary Singleton**, a 32year fire protection and fabrication veteran, will serve as manager of Ameripipe's seventh and newest branch.

Singleton most recently was sales man-

ager for Central Pipe & Supply of Atlanta. He began his career in 1983 with the Sunbelt Marketing division of Nibco, and then had success at Viking Supply, Reliable Automatic Sprinkler, Guntersville Fabrication, Douglas Leonhardt, and American Fabrication.

Ameripipe-Atlanta will be located in a 38,400-square-foot facility at 1554 Litton Dr. in Stone Mountain, one block off Mountain Industrial Blvd. In addition to pipe fabrication services, the company will distribute pipe, valves, fittings, hangers and accessories from industry-leading manufacturers such as Bull Moose Tube, Tyco Fire, Globe Sprinkler, Guardian Equipment, Nibco, Watts, Ames, Spears, FPPI, Ward Manufacturing, Weldbend, Anvil and Elite. Ameripipe is a member of Delta Distributors, LLC, a national buying group based in the Atlanta suburb of Norcross.

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