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A Fresh Start



Russell P. Fleming, P.E.

t is a great honor to be only the fourth NFSA staff member ever elected as President of the Association, and I thank the Board of Directors and the membership for this vote of confidence. The staff position of President was created in 1971 at the suggestion of industry legend Bill Meyer, who at that time held the combined position of Chairman of the Board and President. Many other associations were simultaneously making the change to strengthen their operations by designating their Executive Directors as Presidents, including the NFPA.

I was hired onto the Association staff as a young engineer out of college in 1975, and have had the good fortune of serving under all three of the prior staff Presidents - Ray Casey, Ed Reilly and John Viniello. I have learned much from their various successes and challenges. For the past 28 years John Viniello has been at the helm, and I have always appreciated the energy, enthusiasm, and optimism he brought to the position.

For the past few years, this industry has been through some difficult times, as the "great recession" drastically reduced the major traditional market for fire sprinkler systems - nonresidential construction. Things seem to have bottomed out, but it may well be a slow difficult climb back to prosperity. The NFSA is positioned to facilitate that process, with a talented and motivated staff ready to tackle member priorities and a Board of Directors that has shown it is willing to take the steps necessary to move the Association forward.

The major victory of the past few years on the residential sprinkler front - requirements for sprinklers in all new dwellings

in both the NFPA 101 Life Safety Code® and the International Residential Code® - has not been fully realized in terms of state and local adoptions. Nevertheless, it sets an important benchmark in terms of recognition of a technology that is readily available to save lives. Homebuilders who ignore this technology, even where it isn't mandated, do so at their own risk. The NFSA will continue to work with allied organizations to advance the use of residential sprinklers.

NFSA will also continue to strongly advocate the adoption and enforcement of NFPA 25 for inspection, testing and maintenance of existing systems. The success of this Association over the past century can be measured by the hundreds of thousands of existing sprinklered buildings. The systems protecting those buildings must be maintained in proper working order because failures will ultimately damage the reputation of our industry.

Our other priorities will continue to be established by our Board and our Chapters. Our Regional Operations staff has initiated state-by-state strategic planning to determine the programs and directions that best fit the needs of our members at this level, traditionally the level at which our industry is regulated, and the level at which code adoptions drive the market. It is at this level that NFSA can well fulfill its role as "the voice of the fire sprinkler industry." To that end, along with our new Board Chairman Dennis Coleman, I invite all fire sprinkler contractors, manufacturers, suppliers, and advocates to join us in our fresh start, to work together in this organization, which is such a source of pride for all of us. \bullet

Russell P. Fleming, President

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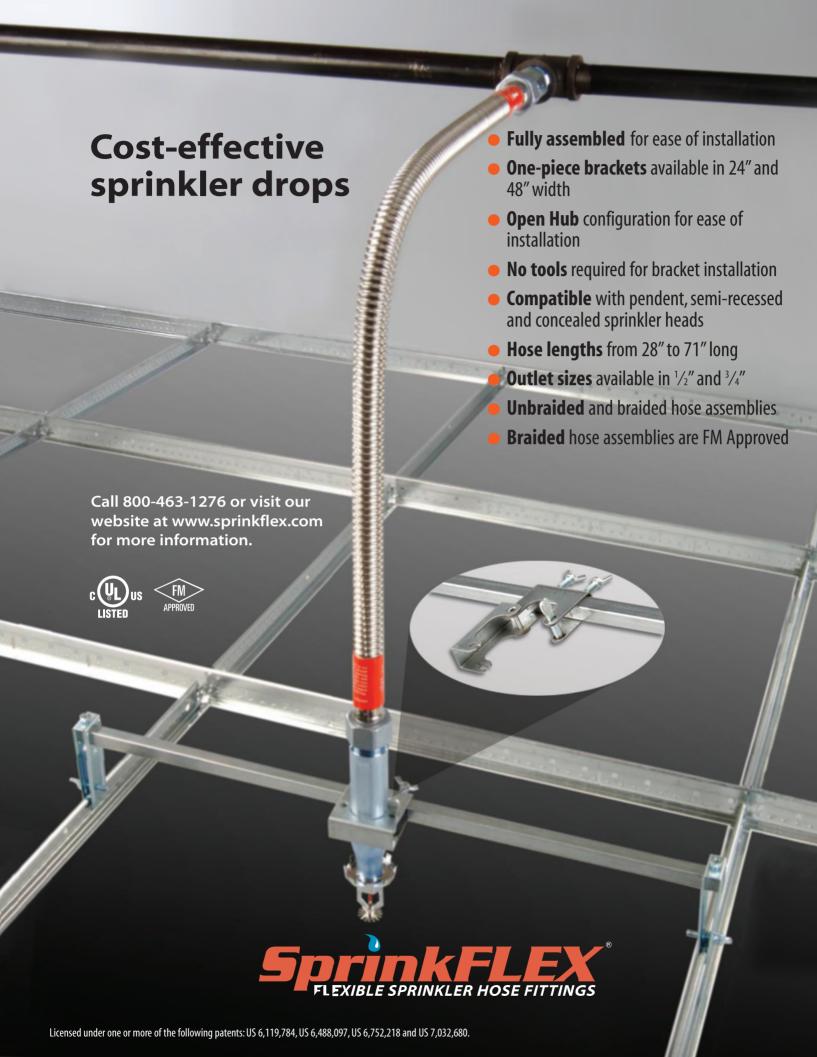
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So Where Do We Go From Here?

Dennis C. Coleman



s the newly elected Chairman of the Board, this is the question I have been asking myself recently. Our leader for most of the last 3 decades is gone. We have a new president, a new chairman, and a new opportunity to move forward in a meaningful way. This does not mean we have not done well in the past. The NFSA has done great things for the fire protection industry for over 100 years. We have made great strides in promoting the fire sprinkler concept, and we can be proud of our history and accomplishments.

First, I would like to look at some of our strengths:

- We have a highly respected leader in Russ Fleming. He is well known and has done so much in the field of fire protection engineering. He was John Viniello's right hand man for most of John's tenure.
- The NFSA engineering department is a great asset to the organization, and a tremendous help to the contractors, manufacturers, and suppliers. The engineering staff is well known for their experience and expertise. They serve on many NFPA committees and their influence is well established.
- We have a country-wide network of Regional Managers who help with contractor issues and local legislative needs. They work in all 50 states and are a powerful resource in any activities that the NFSA wants to support.
- We have a diverse and energized Board of Directors representing contractors (both merit shop and union), all of the sprinkler manufacturers, and the suppliers of fire sprinkler products.
- We are experts at teaching and training. We have produced excellent on-line seminars, on-site classroom seminars, and the newly developed NFSA.tv.

There are many more strengths that could be listed, but these offer some of our more recognized abilities.

Again, I ask myself; So where do we go from here?

I would like to offer a few challenging questions for us to consider as an industry:

- How do we continue to move the residential sprinkler concept forward?
- How do we build a better relationship with the AFSA who has many of the same goals and objectives as we do?
- How do we assess exactly where we are currently, and where we need to focus our efforts in the future?
- How do we combine all of the power and influence of all of the stakeholders in the fire protection industry to advance the fire sprinkler concept?
- We have struggled in some ways to provide reasonably priced and foolproof fire sprinkler systems. How do we improve the value, quality, and reliability of our fire sprinkler systems?
- How do we create a greater understanding of the value of fire sprinklers in protecting lives and property?

But again, the guestion still looms; Where do we go from here?

I do not have a simple answer to this most important question. We have a great history. We have many strengths and experience to help us. We also have many challenges, weaknesses, and opportunities in front of us. I do not know exactly where we need to go from here or exactly how we will accomplish such an

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important work. But, I would suggest the following steps that we need to consider before we can move forward in the most effective way possible:

- GAIN A VISION We need to spend some real effort and energy to find out where we are and precisely where we want to go. We need to make new goals and fresh objectives.
- PLAN We need to formulate a plan on how to accomplish the established goals and objectives. We need to be specific and realistic. We need to challenge ourselves.
- UNIFY We must find a way to unite all of the strength, ability, and expertise of our new leadership, our great staff, the talented and dedicated Board of Directors, the contractors, manufacturers, suppliers, and all other stakeholders. With real unity we can accomplish all things. Without unity, we will struggle to be effective.
- ENERGIZE With a great vision of where we need to go, with a solid plan on how to get there, with the strength that comes with unity, we will accomplish great things. If we focus our en-

ergies, follow our plan, and support each other in all that we do, we will have success. We will be a more powerful force, and we will achieve great things for the great concept of fire safety through fire sprinkler systems.

It is my sincere hope that we can gain a vision of where we need to go, that we can come up with a dynamic plan for our future, that we can gain the strength that comes from unity, and that we can energize ourselves and our entire industry. It will take effort and perseverance, but it can happen, and will happen through the efforts of each one of us. Come join with us as we move forward and accomplish those things that are of most value to us as an industry. Join your efforts with ours and let's accomplish great things working together.



Dennis C. Coleman, Chairman of the Board

Know Your Contract

Editor's Note: Stuart Zisholtz comments on New York State Law

Under ordinary circumstances, the Statute of Limitations to institute a lawsuit for breach of contract is six years. The Statute of Limitations can be reduced from six years to a shorter period of time as long as it is not the product of overreaching or an unreasonably short period. The courts, in the past have held a six month Statute of Limitations as being valid when the parties agreed to it in a signed written agreement.

Many contracts for public projects contain shorter Statute of Limitations to six months.

Recently, a subcontractor was awarded a project to perform work at Suffolk County Community College. The signed written contract contained a clause reducing the Statute of Limitations to six months. The contract also contained a pay when paid clause, whereby payment by the owner was a condition precedent for the contractor's obligation to make payment to the subcontractors. The contract also provided that the subcontractor was required to pursue a lien to collect the funds from the owner. Finally, the contract

contained a provision that any action by the subcontractor for breach of the subcontract or to enforce any trust imposed by law on the general contractor had to be commenced within six months after the work of the subcontractor had been substantially completed.

Move to dismiss

The general contractor, after being sued by the subcontractor, argued that there was a six month Statute of Limitations in the contract and moved to dismiss the complaint as untimely. The subcontractor argued that the pay when paid clause conflicted with the six-month limitation clause because the subcontractor's right to bring an action might not ripen until after the six-month period had expired.

As all of you may know, a pay when paid clause is unenforceable in New York. Thus, the terms associated with the pay when paid clause in the subcontract agreement was unenforceable. However, the Appellate Court held that the pay when paid clause and the contractual limitations clause were not severable. As a result, the Appellate court concluded that the six-month limitation clause did not bar the action and the subcontractor had the right to pursue its claim.

CONTRACTOR'S CUE

The rationale of the Appellate Court was that even though the pay when paid clause was unenforceable, the fact that the terms were not severable resulted in an ambiguity.

The logic of the Appellate court is confusing and unclear. However, the key aspect to this article is knowing your contract and the terms and conditions of the agreement. In this particular case, the subcontractor was lucky and utilized an ambiguity to save his claim against the general contractor. Many times, these arguments are unsuccessful.

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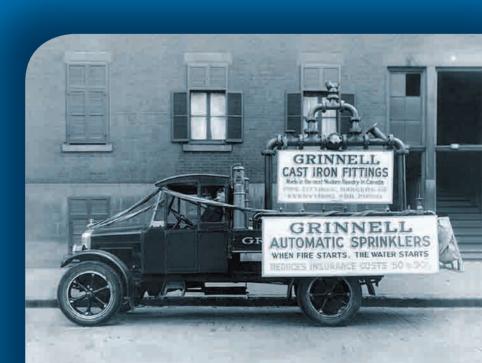
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"Make Death Wait"

efore you decide not to read this article because you think you know what's coming, read on and be surprised!

The sign was part of an information campaign from the Canadian Heart and Stroke Foundation and the words "Make Death Wait" were part of a very convincing television-info presentation that showed several pictures of women doing different activities that are accompanied with a haunting male voice-over that says: "I love women... I love older women... professional women... stay-at-home moms... I love how women put the family first..... I love how you're so concerned that I'll get to your husband... You have no idea that I'm coming after you!"

The stalker-type menacing voice is portraying the personified voice of death. The information campaign has sparked a lot of discussion and awareness since it was launched last November even though there were some minor complaints about the "scary stalker image." But the information campaign has been very successful in clearly identifying the fact that heart disease and stroke are the number one killers of women in Canada and that cancer is the number one killer of men. While the numbers are much larger in the United States, the statistical ratios are the same. You can view this excellent infomercial at http://www.heartstroke.ca/ MakeDeathWait.

I watched it several times and I was so impressed with the captivating and convincing way it made its' point. I thought we should be doing the same for residential fire sprinklers with words that not only say "make death wait" but with a positive follow-up message of "stop fire deaths from actually happening at all!"

Since the late 1970's, the North American Fire Service has been saying that very thing in a variety of ways, but unfortunately a significant amount of people simply are still not getting the message. Those people are homeowners, government policy administrators and politicians. Homeowners not getting the message is partially understandable because they are constantly getting many mixed messages that confuse them about fire safety, especially when it comes to fire sprinkler information and what the actual truth is. Those deceptive messages mostly come from those who adamantly oppose fire sprinkler protection in North American residences, especially when the fire service wants to mandate that protection with state or local ordinances that compel building owners (including the individual homeowner) to install these much needed life- and property-saving systems.

And those deceptive messages also come from government policy administrators who have been heavily influenced by those same opposition people who sit together on policy boards and building and fire safety committees, using their strategic voting positions to not only influence those policy administrators but also their bosses who are the elected politicians in those jurisdictions. To make

matters worse, the politicians legitimize those untruths with their yes votes and like Pontius Pilate, take no final responsibility for their decisions because they are "simply acting on the professional recommendations of their respective policy administrators." Nice try but from a litigation perspective, it doesn't work quite that way.

There are thousands of documented examples of how this deceptive mess has been happening all over North America, especially during the last 20 years. A classic example of this has been on-going in the City of Chicago even prior to 2004 when Chicago politicians wrongly passed an ordinance that required all residential high-rise buildings built prior to 1975 that do not have fire sprinkler protection to complete a "City of Chicago Life Safety Evaluation (LSE)." This badly flawed ordinance was passed to replace an ordinance that was previously introduced by Alderman Edward Burke (Chairman of the Chicago Finance Committee) in 2003 who wanted to start a process to retro-fit over 800 residential and commercial high-rise buildings in Chicago with much needed

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fire sprinkler systems. Instead, a compromise ordinance passed that required sprinklers only in commercial buildings with highly vulnerable residential buildings still having to go through the faulty and misleading LSE process.

The Final Straw

On October 17, 2003, a fire that occurred at the Cook County Administrative Building killed six people trapped in a smoke-filled exit stairwell. The number of deaths could have been higher as several more were trapped in the same stairwell! Out of the following public outcry for better fire protection in Chicago high-rise buildings, that fire was the final straw and the obvious motivation for Burk's original all-inclusive fire sprinkler retro-fit ordinance. And for good reason, as Chicago has a high-rise fire death rate that is approximately 3.5 times greater than the national U.S. average.

But the typical political process, strongly influenced by Chicago building owners, effectively went to work and Chicago now does not have the much needed Burke retro-fit fire sprinkler ordinance to provide proper residential fire protection in high-rises taller than 75 feet and is instead currently cursed with an ordinance (LSE) that falls far short of the national standard of safety for high-rises found in the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standard 101: Life Safety Code which was officially adopted by the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal in January, 2002 as the proper level of high rise occupant safety and protection. Chicago opted out of that much needed standard when they passed the "Life Safety Evaluation Ordinance (LSE)" which has proven to be a terrible disaster in high-rise fire safety for the citizens of Chicago.

On January 8, 2012, a fire occurred in a 21-story rental apartment building at 3130 North Lake Shore Drive. This fire killed 32 year-old Shantel McCoy, when she unknowingly entered an elevator at ground floor level and was taken to the 12th floor where a fire was raging that she was unaware of. According to reports, no alarms were sounding to warn her of the fire above. When the elevator doors opened

on the 12th floor, she was overwhelmed by an estimated 1500 degree blast of flames and smoke. Nine others and two firefighters were also injured in this early morning blaze. The fire started in an apartment on the 12th floor. When the occupants of that apartment exited to escape the fire, they blocked the hallway apartment door open with a rug to allow their pets to escape the fire. That act allowed the fire to spread from the apartment, fully involving the 12th floor hallway, including the elevator landing area where Ms. McCoy tragically died.

Bob Kleinheinz, Regional Director for the National Fire Sprinkler Association and Tom Lia, Executive Director for the Northern Illinois Fire Sprinkler Advisory Board (NIFSAB) have correctly and consistently been pointing-out that the Chicago Life Safety Evaluation (LSE) program falls well short of the national standard of fire safety as required in the NFPA 101: Life Safety Code. This is the code referenced in the James Lee Witt Report following the Cook County Administrative Building fire in 2003 that previously killed those six people in the stairwell. The Witt Report recommended that the City of Chicago "ensure compliance with the state code" and to "require installation of automatic fire sprinkler systems in all buildings." Additional proof that Chicago's LSE program falls short of protecting high-rise building occupants was a fire that occurred on December 10, 2009 on the thirty-sixth floor of the Plaza on DeWitt building at 260 East Chestnut that claimed the life of an 84-year-old woman. Prior to that December 10th fire, the building had passed the City of Chicago Life Safety Evaluation (LSE) Program!

Failed Compliance

Records for the Chicago LSE program show that 76 % of the buildings that did file their LSE plans have failed to implement corrective upgrades to comply with needed fire safety standards as set forth by the Chicago Department of Buildings, which are much less than what is required in the NFPA 101: Life Safety Code. Violations of the lesser LSE program can be punishable with fines that range from \$

500.00 to \$1000.00 dollars. No buildings have been fined for non-compliance! As of December, 2009, the City of Chicago has failed to collect nearly 23 million dollars in potential fines so that clearly indicates how well those building owners are providing fire safety for the occupants of their buildings.

According to a January 24, 2012 Chicago Tribune article..... "(o)f the roughly 700 residential high-rises required to beef up fire safety measures as required under the 2004 ordinance, 369 still haven't submitted plans that meet city approval let alone made the necessary improvements..."

The tribune article also said....."(i)n the eight years since the ordinance was enacted, only 14 residential high-rises have completed the stricter upgrades called for by the city..."

Obviously, the City of Chicago is not enforcing what they need to enforce and that could represent a serious level of gross negligence which the city may eventually be held financially responsible for. What an outrageous farce!

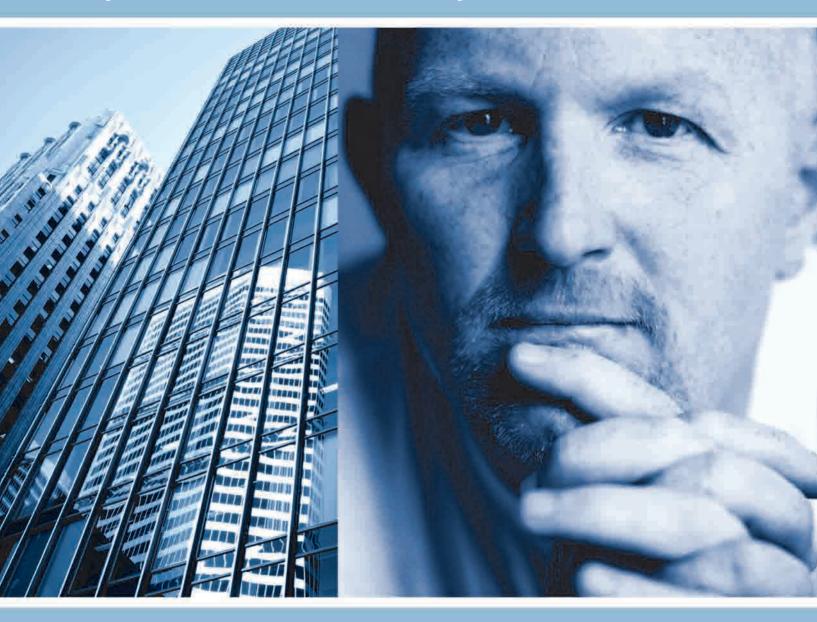
To Make It Worse

And to make matters worse, The City of Chicago has extended the compliance deadline of the faulty LSE. The original 2004 ordinance included a 7-year period for building owners to comply and repair any deficiencies by 2012. In December, 2011, the City of Chicago Council passed an ordinance to extend the compliance deadline of the LSE to 2015 which further extends a misleading and ineffective program that isn't being enforced or being complied with.

Alderman Tom Tunney of the 44th Chicago Ward, which includes the building where Shantel McCoy was killed on January 8, 2012, was one of the Aldermen who backed the three year extension of the "no fire sprinkler" LSE program. He was quoted as saying..."These buildings are safe. The City of Chicago would not let people reside in a building that's not safe." Be careful Mr. Tunney. One of the fundamental tenants of effective risk management to prevent or limit litigation

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ment" actually means. We're not talking "response time" that represents how long it takes for the fire department to arrive on scene after being notified of a fire taking place, "Total Intervention Time (TIT)" is the total amount of elapsed time from the point of fire ignition to when the fire department actually starts applying water on the fire. The national average Total Intervention Time (TIT) for the North American Fire Service exceeds 10

minutes (NFPA national statistics). If the fire department can't effectively start putting water on the fire before "flashover" occurs, which is usually within five minutes of fire ignition, then you will have fire deaths in those structures, especially in buildings where the fire is high above street level. Flashover brings uncontrolled fire with temperatures reaching 1000 to 1500 degrees Fahrenheit. Firefighters cannot perform the impossible and many times per year across America, they pay the ultimate penalty for ineffective codes and safety ordinances that politicians and government policy administrators have said yes to. Take another look at the horrendous tragedy of 911 and the outra-

The only way Alderman Tunney can correctly make that statement with any reasonable degree of assurance and accuracy is when there is a "quick response" fire sprinkler system in place in that highrise building that starts fighting the fire before the fire department has even been called. Anything less than that simply won't save people who are caught in that death trap.

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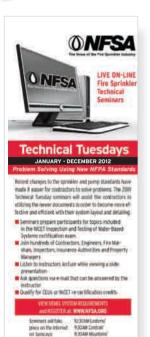




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Tailoring NFSA Training to Specific Needs

By James D. Lake



As I stated, the first step in the process is identifying the needs of a target audience. Whether it is information from contractors, design technicians, AHJ's or state administrators, the learning needs are identified and documented and continually reviewed, and updated. We do this through our Regional Operations network and through our Training and Education personnel. The intent here is to develop the rationale and planning for each learning program so that the learning objectives can be clearly stated, understood and assessed.

NFSA has been very successful in developing seminars in support of specific identified needs, showing our flexibility and commitment to quality training that is immediately applicable in the work place.

Let me give you a few examples.

NICET Inspection Technician Training

As I wrote last year NFSA was the first to develop a 3-Day interactive seminar that was updated to keep pace with the changing requirements for certification of inspection and testing technicians. This was done in response to member requests and industry input as well as a complete revision of the certification process this seminar is being developed as an updated version of a previous seminar.

This interactive seminar will provide an introduction to the various types of water-

based fire protection systems as well as an in-depth exploration of the codes, standards and other documents that are used during the inspection and testing process. The seminar is designed for individuals interested in obtaining certification as an inspection and testing technician for water-based fire protection systems.

CALIFORNIA

The State of California has a couple of administrative rules that create have created a need for tailored training programs in the Golden State. The first is the California Edition of NFPA 25. The document is a modification of the NFPA document to address issues specific to California. The document differs from NFPA 25 in some significant areas. In this case NFSA modified our ITM programs, including the very popular *ITM* for the *AHJ* to address the issues that are unique to the California edition.

The learning objectives applied to this seminar include being able to identify the appropriate sections of NFPA 25 California Edition that apply to administrative and enforcement requirements for system inspection, testing and maintenance. Also we want the attendee to be able to describe key terms used in the enforcement of NFPA 25 California Edition and most importantly to describe the role and responsibilities building owners or their designated representatives. And finally to be able to discuss the difference between provisions in NFPA 25 (National Edition) and those that are mandated by administrative code, such as tagging and licensing.

Another California regulation permits a limited license (Type L) to be given to a public or private entities that are not engaged in the business of performing testing and maintenance of wet pipe fire-extinguishing systems and which only perform annual testing and maintenance of wet pipe sprinkler systems, standpipe systems, private fire service mains, and weekly fire pump tests in structures or property owned or leased by that public or private entity. These entities must take a test to obtain the licence.

NFSA developed a seminar to cover material addressed in the California Regulations governing limited licensure for inspection and testing and protect the industry by educating these individuals as to the limits of their scope on this work. This seminar will use as it reference the NFPA 25, Standard on Inspection, Testing and Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems (California Version).

At the end of this seminar the individuals should be able to identify the appropriate sections of NFPA 25, Inspection, Testing and Maintenance of Water-Based Extinguishing Systems, California Edition and California Regulations that apply to L-Licensure, rec-

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ognize the format of NFPA 20, Standard on Pumps for Fire Protection, describe key terms used for pumps in NFPA 20 used in the enforcement of NFPA 25 California Edition, recognize the different types of fire pumps and drivers, appurtenances and controllers and discuss the options for troubleshooting and correcting fire pump problems

ALABAMA

Similar to California this seminar was developed to address the requirements in the Alabama Regulations governing skilled worker exemption for inspection and testing of some components of wet-pipe sprinkler systems, storage tanks and fire pumps. This seminar will use as it reference the NFPA 25, Standard on Inspection, Testing and Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems. NFSA works very closely with the Alabama Fire Sprinkler Association in delivering this class.

At the conclusion of this seminar the participant will be able to identify the ap-

propriate sections of NFPA 25, Inspection, Testing and Maintenance of Water-Based Extinguishing Systems, and Alabama Regulations that apply to skilled worker exemption as well as recognize the format of NFPA 20, Standard on Pumps for Fire Protection, describe the theory of pumps and their basic design concepts, describe key terms used for pumps in NFPA 20 used in the enforcement of NFPA 25, recognize the different types of fire pumps and drivers, appurtenances and controllers and discuss the options for troubleshooting and correcting fire pump problems

FLORIDA

In 2011 one of the primary areas of focus in Florida was the certification of inspection technicians, specifically, NICET Certification. As I stated above NFSA revised this program to meet the new requirements for NICET Certification but there were still individuals progressing through the old element-based process. Working with the Florida Fire Sprinkler Association we were

able to meet a need for training in relation to the old testing process and provide training going forward under the new process. This new seminar is flexible enough with broad enough learning objectives that it will prepare an individual for testing in whatever certification program is used, NICET or another.

Of the nine training events we conducted in Florida last year, five of them were inspection technician programs. Once again in 2012 we continue to work closely with FFSA to provide for the training needs both of the authority having jurisdiction and the contractor.

COLORADO

In Colorado NFSA is working with state au-

thorities in developing a one-day seminar in support of their certification program for installers of underground pipe. This certification program is still in development as of the writing of this article but NFSA is ready to provide the training when the program begins.

The seminar will describe the responsibility of the contractor and authority having jurisdiction for the proper installation of underground piping for fire protection systems as addressed in NFPA 13, Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems and NFPA 24, Standard for Underground Private Fire Service Mains and Their Appurtenances and Chapter 7, Private Fire Service Mains of NFPA 25, Inspection, Testing and Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems. The course will also provide an overview of the licensing regulations in the State of Colorado.

KENTUCKY

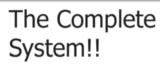
Similarly, in Kentucky we have been working with the state fire marshal's office and the Kentucky Fire Sprinkler Contractors Association to develop training programs in support of their inspection, testing and maintenance regulations.

CANADA

Each year the Canadian Automatic Sprinkler Association (CASA) partners with NFSA to deliver training programs for AHJs and contractors in Canada. This year we will be providing twenty-six days of training in Canada in eleven locations. Some of these seminars need slight revisions such as the seismic bracing seminars to take into account the differences in the regulations there.

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TECHNICALLY SPEAKING

One System, Multiple Buildings

By Kenneth E. Isman, P.E.

frequent question that gets asked of the NFSA's Expert of the Day service is whether a single sprinkler system can serve multiple buildings. The answer to this question is not a simple "yes" or "no". Instead, a number of different variables need to be explored before the question can be answered. This article will explore the various issues that go into making the decision as to whether the single system can cover multiple buildings.

A Bit of History

Older editions of NFPA 13 did not address the subject of multiple buildings being protected by a single sprinkler system directly. Instead, the standard only stated that a single sprinkler system can cover 52,000 sq ft per floor for light and ordinary hazard and 40,000 sq ft for extra hazard and high-piled storage. The standard did not say whether that floor area needed to be in the same building or if it could be divided among separate buildings. But the standard did provide some sections and annex text that explained how to protect multiple buildings with a single system, so one could certainly conclude that it was possible.

Adding to the confusion on this topic, was a Formal Interpretation that was first issued on the 1976 edition of NFPA 13. The question that was asked of the committee was whether the 52,000 sq ft per floor (then in section 5-2 of the 1976 edition of the standard) could be exceeded if a

single system protected multiple buildings as long as the area of each floor in each building did not exceed 52,000 sg ft. The committee responded that the answer was "no" and that the 52,000 sq ft per floor rule was not relevant to the problem because each building should have its own sprinkler system. This Formal Interpretation was difficult to explain given that sections 3-9.2.2 and 3-9.2.3 of that same standard told users how to run feed mains both above and below ground in order to connect detached buildings that were protected with a single sprinkler system. How could the committee take the position that they prohibited a single system from serving two detached buildings, yet they had rules on how to protect two detached buildings with the same system?

The problem continued for a long time because the NFPA reprinted the same Formal Interpretation on every edition of NFPA 13 from 1976 to 2002. While preparing the 2007 edition of NFPA 13, the committee decided to retire the Formal Interpretation and address the subject directly by adding sections 8.2.4 (for attached buildings) and 8.2.5 (for detached buildings). These sections have remained unchanged since that time and will be discussed more through the rest of this article.

Attached Buildings

For buildings that share canopies, breezeways, roofs or walls, section 8.2.4 of NFPA

13 specifically allows a single system to protect these connected buildings. The assumption is that with at least one of these items in common, the multiple buildings will be under the control of the same owner or at least some agreement that allows the multiple owners to work together. If a single system protects multiple buildings, it is important for the occupants of those multiple buildings to have access to the control valve, and have the ability to coordinate inspection, testing, and maintenance of the system, while cooperating in making sure that the system stays in service. With other elements of their buildings in common, it is more likely that if there are multiple owners, they can work together.

Although NFPA 13 does not directly address multiple buildings with other elements in common, the same logic would apply. Buildings that have basements in common or that share connections through tunnels should also be allowed to be protected by a single sprinkler system, as long as the owners (if there are more than one) deal with the issues of access

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and inspection, testing and maintenance.

Regardless of the ownership of the buildings or which building elements might be in common, the single sprinkler system is only allowed to protect multiple buildings if the area limitations of section 8.2.1 are maintained. When all of the area is added up on each floor of each of the buildings, the total area for any floor is not allowed to exceed 52,000 sq ft in light and ordinary hazard occupancies and 40,000 sq ft for extra hazard and high-piled storage occupancies.

Detached Buildings

In general, NFPA 13 discourages the idea of protecting multiple detached buildings with a single sprinkler system, but it does not come right out and prohibit it. Instead, section 8.2.5.2 provides an opportunity for detached buildings to be protected with a single sprinkler system if the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) can be convinced that it is a good idea. The annex note to section 8.2.5 provides the AHJ with information that can be used to help make a decision.

First and foremost, the AHJ needs to consider whether the buildings are under the same ownership or not. If the buildings are under the same ownership, it helps to make the case that they can be protected with a single system. But the AHJ should also consider the potential for the property to be split and the buildings to be sold separately. For this reason, it might be beneficial to record on the deed of the property that if it is split in the future, arrangements need to be made to keep the sprinkler system maintained and the owner of the building with the control valve needs to provide access to the occupant of the building without the control valve in case of emergency.

If the buildings are not under the same ownership to start with, it might still be possible for a single system to protect them, but it becomes more complicated. In advance, inspection, testing and maintenance agreements need to be drafted to make sure that the system is kept in operational condition and access to the control valves needs to be assured for the party that does not have the control valve in their building.

The next item that needs to be addressed is the waterflow alarm. If a fire starts in the building that does not have the control equipment, the fire department will need to know which building to respond to. An auxiliary waterflow alarm in the building without the control equipment might be a good idea. If a fire occurs in the building without the control equipment, both waterflow alarms will send a signal. If a fire happens in the building with the control equipment, only the alarm in that building will send a signal. Firefighters that respond to the buildings will need to be trained how to ascertain where the waterflow has occurred.

Given the problems with protecting multiple buildings with a single sprinkler system, it is better to protect each building with its own system. Only when the arrangement of buildings and the water supplies are such that the installation of separate sprinkler systems is impractical should a single system be installed for the multiple buildings. This typically only happens when small auxiliary buildings are installed close to a main building.

If more than one building is going to be protected with a single sprinkler system, the system will need to have an adequate water supply and the pipes will need to be correctly sized. In order to do this, the user will have to either provide a pipe schedule system for each building (adhering to the size limitations on such systems) or the system will have to be hydraulically calculated to make sure that it works. Pipe sizes might need to be increased when pipe is run from one building to another due to the extra friction loss in dealing with getting the water out to the secondary buildings.

If more than one building is going to be protected with a single sprinkler system, the system will need to stay within the size limitations of 52,000 sq ft per floor area for light and ordinary hazard systems and 40,000 sq ft per floor for extra hazard and high-piled storage. The total area of each floor from all the buildings needs to stay below these limits.

Underground Piping Between Buildings

If multiple buildings are going to be protected by a single system then pip-

ing needs to be run between the buildings. The piping can be underground or above ground. Either way, it needs to be protected from freezing, corrosion and mechanical damage. If the piping is run underground, it needs to be buried sufficiently to make sure that it is below the frost line. Section 10.4.2 of NFPA 13 requires the top of the pipe to be at least 1 ft below the frost line. In warm climates where the frost line is close to the surface, section 10.4.3 requires the top of the pipe to be at least 2.5 ft below ground to protect the pipe from mechanical damage and the pipe needs to be further below ground if it runs under driveways or railroad tracks (see section 10.4.4 and 10.4.5).

In the special situation where the system running between the buildings is a dry-pipe system and the underground piping will be filled with air, section 8.15.20 of NFPA 13 contains some special provisions including protecting the pipe against corrosion. Unprotected cast-iron or ductile iron is only permitted to be joined in this case with a gasketed joint if the gasketed joint is listed for air service.

Section 8.16.4.2.4 permits steel pipe to be used underground in this instance, as long as the pipe is protected from corrosion. Such corrosion protection not only includes the inside of the pipe (which might be done with galvanized pipe), but it also includes the outside of the pipe if the soil has any corrosion properties. This might mean that the outside of the steel pipe has to be coated and wrapped in order to be used.

One of the concerns for running pipe between buildings is drainage of the underground portion, especially if the intent is to have the system be a dry-pipe system. If water remains in the underground portion, it will be more difficult to put the system back in service and moisture will remain in the system, which will promote corrosion. Some means of draining the underground portion needs to be included in any plan to connect multiple buildings with a single sprinkler system (see section 8.16.2.4.1, which requires all portions of sprinkler systems to be capable of being drained).

Above Ground Piping Between Buildings

It is possible to also run the pipe between buildings above ground. In this case, the pipe still needs to be protected from freezing, corrosion and mechanical damage. This technique is probably only available where the buildings share some element in common like a breezeway or wall.

Section 8.16.4.2.3 requires corrosion resistant types of pipe or special coatings on the pipe if the pipe is exposed to weather. There is no definition of pipe "exposed to weather", but it should be assumed that most outdoor pipe is exposed to some kind of weather condition unless it is protected from above and on all sides from rain and snow. Outdoor pipe near the ocean should be considered as needing corrosion protection even if it is protected on all sides because the salt air exists all around in a coastal environment.

Section 8.16.4.1 specifically addresses

how to protect piping that is above ground from freezing. There are a number of options including the use of dry-pipe systems, preaction systems or antifreeze. One of the specific options mentioned for pipes in breezeways and outdoor passageways going between buildings is heat tracing (section 8.16.4.1.3). Heat tracing systems need to be listed for fire sprinkler service. If the sprinkler pipe has sprinklers on it, the heat tracing needs to be specially listed for branch line protection where the labs make sure that the heat tracing will not accidently heat the sprinkler to the point where it opens and they make sure that the heat tracing is not an obstruction to the sprinkler spray.

Conclusion

It is possible to protect multiple buildings with a single sprinkler system. If the buildings are connected in some way or share a common element, the single sprinkler system is directly permitted by the stan-

dard. If the buildings are detached, the single sprinkler system can serve multiple buildings if it is approved by the AHJ, who will probably take into account the ownership of the building and the likelihood of maintaining the system before agreeing to allow the single system to protect the multiple buildings.

One example of detached buildings that seems to be in keeping with the spirit of NFPA 13 is a school building. Consider a two story school building with 46,000 sq ft on the first floor and 46,000 sq ft on the second floor. If detached temporary (single story) classrooms are brought in to deal with an expected overflow of students for a few years, they can be sprinklered by running pipe out to the temporary classrooms as long as the temporary classrooms are not more than 6,000 sq ft (in this example) so that they do not violate the rule of 52,000 sq ft per floor.



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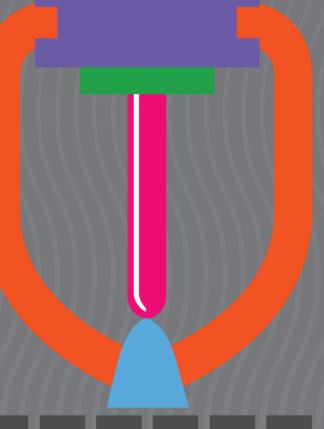
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2012 BUYER'S GUIDE



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AGF Manufacturing, Inc.

100 Quaker Lane Malvern, Pennsylvania 19355 Telephone: 610 240-4900 FAX: 610 240-4906 Internet: www.testandrain.com

Founded:

1986

Primary Products/Services:

Inspector's Test and Drain Valves and Accessories

Market Area:

International

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

James McHugh George McHugh IV

Sales Contact:

James McHugh

Company Profile:

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



Accu-Fire Fabrication, Inc.

8 Progress Drive Morrisville, Pennsylvania 19067 Telephone: 215.428.2400 Toll-Free: 800.641.0005 FAX: 215.428.0355 Internet: www.accufire.com

Founded:

1991

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Sprinkler Fabrication & Supply

Market Area:

Northeastern United States

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Deardra Murphy, President Vince Murphy, Vice President of Operations Mike Stango, Vice President of Sales

Sales Contact:

Mike Stango, Vice President of Sales Tel: 215.260.4400

Company Profile:

Our entire organization is dedicated to supplying fast, accurate, leak-free fabrication. Since its inception in 1991, Accu-Fire maintains a solid reputation for quality and service. We have a 75,000 sq. ft facility with six acres of pipe inventory. All products are delivered on our trucks equipped with 50 foot booms or rear mounted fork lift. In addition to fabrication, Accu-Fire is a full service supplier of fire sprinkler devices. Visit www.accufire.com for product affiliation. Accu-Fire is an approved Women's Business Enterprise.



AFCON

P.O. Box 3365 South El Monte, California 91733 Telephone: 626.444.0541 FAX: 626.444.3887 Email: info@afcon.com Internet: www.afcon.org

Founded:

1952

Primary Products/Services:

Pipe Hanger Products, Sway Braces, Software

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Kraig Kirschner, President Randy Leonhardt Susan Guzman Maria Medina

Company Profile:

Fire sprinkler hanging, bracing and software products. Many patented features to enhance product installation. Advisory from an experienced perspective. Software that is intuitive.





Allied Tube & Conduit

16100S. Lathrop Avenue Harvey, Illinois 60426 Telephone: 708.339.1610 Toll Free: 800.882.5543 FAX: 800.659.7730

Internet:

www.alliedtube-sprinkler.com

Founded:

1959

Primary Products/Services:

Steel Sprinkler Pipe

Company Profile:

Allied Tube & Conduit, a brand of Atkore International, is the leading producer of steel sprinkler pipe in North American and offers a complete line of sprinkler pipe products. From Dyna-Flow, XL/BLT and Dyna-Thread to Schedules 10 and 40, Allied Tube and Conduit has the sprinkler pipe product for your next project. We are dedicated to producing innovative products that meet the changing needs of our industry. Our focus is on the fire protection project and the best fit for sprinkler pipe solutions.



Ames Fire & Waterworks

1427 North Market Blvd., Suite 9 Sacramento, California 95834 Telephone: 916.928.0123 FAX: 916.928.9333 Internet: www.amesfirewater.com

Founded:

1910

Primary Products/Services: Backflow Prevention

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

Management

Bruce Parrott, Vice President of Sales-Wholesale

Sales Contact:

Cary Wiley, National Sales Manager-Backflow Products

Company Profile:

Ames Fire & Waterworks, part of the Watts Water Technologies family, designs, manufactures and sells an extensive line of backflow preventers, automatic control valves, and related flow control products. Ames features lightweight stainless steel construction, low pressure loss and optional grooved-end butterfly shutoff valves with integral tamper switch. Optional body configurations include horizontal, vertical flow up, vertical flow up and down N-shape and Z shape.



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

Management:

Wolfgang Neumann, Product Manager



Anvil International, Inc.

110 Corporate Drive, Suite 110
Portsmouth, New Hampshire 03801
Telephone: 603.422.8028
Toll Free: 800.301.2701
FAX: 603.422.8033
Internet: www.anvilintl.com

Founded:

1850

Primary Products/Services:

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

Market Area:

International

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Mitch Bevill, Director of Sales-East Brian Reff, Director of Sales, West Brandon Gunnell, Director of Marketing

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.





APEX Pumping Equipment, Inc.

720 Heartland Drive, Unit P Sugar Grove, Illinois 60554 Tel: 630.466.4488 Toll Free: 866.563.2739 FAX: 630.466.4499

Founded:

1996

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Pumps, Full Repair Service, Nitrogen Generation, Fire Pump Controllers, Patented Fire Pump Exercising Monitoring Devise, Jockey Pumps & Controllers, Exclusive UL Listed Residential Fire Pumps, Temporary Portable Fire Pump, Tanks, and fire pump flow test meters

Market Area:

Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan including some products nationwide

Hours of Operation:

Mon.-Fri8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. w/ 24 hr. emergency service

Management:

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

Sales Contact:

Steve Holzkopf, Rich Ransford, Don Rasmussen, Vince Rodriquez

Telephone:

630.399.2739, 815.677.5340, 630.269.5598, 630.392.4498

Company Profile:

Founded in 1996 on the premise of conducting business in an honest, fair, dedicated and unique way. APEX has grown from one man, its founder Brad Clemmons to a bustling business with 16 team members housed in a 4000 sq. ft. sales and service facility located in Sugar Grove, Illinois. Since 1996, APEX has added numerous products and we presently have five full-time service trucks on the road and offer 24-hour emergency service for fire pumps, motors, engines and controllers as well as the equipment below. We also stock many products and represent many manufacturers. From your, fire pump repair-leaks to restoration needs, water storage tanks, disinfecting chlorination, MIC/ corrosion inhibiting nitrogen generators, pumps, motors, diesel engines, controllers, patented exercising/ fire pump monitoring device, green technology fire pump flow meters, to temporary fire pump trailer to protect when failure or disaster strikes-We Supply solutions.



Apollo Valves/Conbraco Industries

PO Box 247

Matthews, North Carolina 28106 Telephone: 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, Gen. Mgr., Backflow Prevention

Telephone:

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.



ARGCO

2610 Commerce Way Vista, California 92081 Telephone: 760.727.1644 Toll-Free: 800.854.1015 FAX: 760.727.3270 Internet: www.argco.com

Founded: 1981

Primary Products/Services:

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

Market Area:

International

National Fire Sprinkler Association

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Tom Tallman, General Manager Lawrence Kent, Sales Buck Eilers, Sales Woody Witwer, Sales Sales Contact: Tom Tallman, Gen. Mgr.

Telephone:

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 brand of "PT" piping tools, grooved couplings and fittings as well as Ductile and Cast Iron fittings.



Atlantic American

Fire Equipment Company
121 Titus Avenue
Warrington, Pennsylvania 18976
Telephone: 215.491.9800
Toll-Free: 800.247.1128
FAX: 215.491.7395
Internet: 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.



BAVCO

20435 South Susana Road Long Beach, California 90810 Telephone: 310.639.5231 FAX: 310.639.0721 Email: info@bavco.com Internet: www. bavco.com

Founded:

1977

Primary Products/Services:

Master Parts Distributor-Backflow Prevention Products

Market Area:

USA

Hours of Operation:

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

Sales Contact:

Sales Department

Company Profile:

BAVCO is the largest Master Part Distributor of original factory parts for backflow preventers. Every part for every model & size of assembly is in stock & ready for our same day shipping guarantee. To help you easily access assembly information, we have compiled the BAVCO Reference Manual. The manual is the first comprehensive collection of breakdowns, repair information, specifications and dimensions for all 22 of the backflow assembly manufacturers. Visit our website at www.bavco.com where you can access the BAVCO Reference Manual. We can help with your repair parts needs. We are repair parts specialists. 800.458.3492



BlazeMaster®/Lubrizol

Fire Sprinkler Systems
9911 Brecksville Road
Cleveland, Ohio 44141
Telephone: 216.447.5000
Toll-Free: 888.234.2436
FAX: 216.447.5750
Internet: www.blazemaster.com

Founded:

1984/Lubrizol founded 1928 Primary Products/Services: BlazeMaster® pipe and fittings

Management:

Matthew Kuwatch, Global Business Director Gary L. Johnson, Global Business Development Manager

Jeff Gibson, Market Development Manager – North America Sales and Marketing Department

Telephone:

888.234.2436

FAX:

216.447.5313

Company Profile:

BlazeMaster® CPVC 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® pipe have been installed in more than 60 countries, making it the most specified non-metallic fire sprinkler system in the world. BlazeMaster® 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.



Brycer LLC

4355 Weaver Parkway Ste 100 Warrenville, Illinois 60555 Telephone: 630.413.9511 FAX: 630.413.4920 Email: info@mybrycer.com

Founded:

2011

Primary Products/Services:

The Compliance Engine

Market Area:

U.S.A.

Hours of Operation:

9 a.m.- 6 p.m., Mon.-Fri.

Management:

Matt Rice, CEO

Bryan Schultz, Managing Director

Sales Contact:

Bryan Schultz

Telephone:

630.413.9316

FAX:

630.413.4920

Email:

bschultz@mybrycer.com

Company Profile:

Brycer, LLC., whose principals have been intimately involved in the fire, insurance and Information Technology industries for decades, created a simple to use, state-of-the-art web-based service to accelerate and simplify the collection and utilization of fire and life safety data. Brycer's automated Compliance Engine service delivers data in a clean, easy-to-read, uniform format to the Authority Having Jurisdiction to ensure rapid compliance with the law and ultimately a safer community.



Buckeye Fire Equipment Company

1170 West Corporate Drive Suite 201 Arlington, Texas 76006 Telephone: 817.633.3626 Toll-Free: 877.391.3626 FAX: 817.633.5884 Internet: www.buckeyef.com/fire

Founded:

1967

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Protection Equipment

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Robert Taylor, System Sales Engineer Jim Devonshire, Manager, Foam Business Development

Company Profile:

Buckeye Fire Equipment Company has a full range of fire fighting foam concentrates, hardware, proportioning and delivery systems to the sprinkler industry. We have a full line of AFFF aqueous film forming foam concentrates, along with high expansion and protein based concentrates for specific applications. Each of these products are considered "Earth-Friendly" and do not require reporting to the EPA in the event of a discharge. Our hardware line includes bladder tanks, ratio controllers, monitors, balanced pressure proportioning systems with foam concentrate pumps, I.L.B.P. modules, foam chambers and foam makers. We offer design assistance in accordance with the appropriate NFPA codes and standards and a Foam Agent and Systems Application Guide is available in Hard Cover and CD-ROM versions, free of charge. Please contact us for additional information.



BuildingReports

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

Founded:

1999

Primary Products/Services:

Web-based inspection reporting services

Market Area:

Worldwide

Management:

Brett Brewster, Pres.& CEO

Sales Contact:

sales@buildingreports.com

Company Profile:

BuildingReports innovative fire and life safety inspection reporting solutions provide accurate, trusted inspections that are fully documented in compliance with regulatory standards.



Bull Moose Tube Company

1819 Clarkson Rd. Chesterfield, Missouri 63017 Telephone: 636.537.2600 FAX: 636.530.5877 Email: dweinrich@bullmoosetube.com Website: www.bullmosetube.com

Founded:

1962

Primary Products/Services:

Steel Pipe & Tubing

Market Area:

U.S., Canada, Mexico

Sales Contact:

David Weinrich, General Sales Manager –Sprinkler Pipe Telephone: 800.537.6864 FAX: 636.530.5877 Email: dweinrich@bullmoosetube.com

Company Profile:

Bull Moose Tube Company offers standard and engineered pipe under the trade name "Eddy Pipe." Sizes available in black and galvanized include 1"-2" sch 40, 1-1/4" – 4" sch 10, 1"-2" Eddythread, 1-1/4" – 4" Eddyflow. All products are UL listed and FM approved for the U.S. and Canada. All Bull Moose Sprinkler pipe is treated with our MIC resistant coating, Eddy Guard II.





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, Chemguard 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 trailerand skid-mounted foam systems, self-contained foam units and large dry chemical skid units. We utilize global blending facilities to ship orders quickly-including emergency foam concentrate requests. Customer support includes laboratory analysis, live fire testing, technical application and design assistance and custom training on or off site



Chicago Backflow, Inc. aka CB Marketing

12607 S. Laramie Avenue Alsip, Illinois 60803 Telephone: 708.389.5600 Toll Free: 866.BACKFLOW FAX: 708.389.5632 Internet: www.backflow.com

Founded:

1993

National Fire Sprinkler Association

Primary Products/Services:

Backflow Assembly Testing

Market Area:

Illinois, Northwest Indiana, Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.-24 hour emergency service

Management:

Donald J. Smith, President Michael D. Eisenhauer, Secretary Brett Scharpenter, Vice President Katie Rager, Operations Manager Sales Contact: Katie Rager, Operations Manager

Company Profile:

USA's largest backflow testing and maintenance company that is exclusively dedicated to the installation, testing and maintenance of backflow assemblies. With a unique understanding of fire sprinkler systems, Chicago Backflow, Inc. also has a products group within CBI that operates under the CBI banner aka CB Marketing, which is a manufacturers rep and service organization for Ames, Patterson Fire Pumps, Fire Pump Controls (Masters and Others), Aqua Store Tanks, Legend 13D Pump systems, pressure vessels and polypropylene 13D tanks.



CB Marketing, Inc. (A CBI Company)

12559 South Laramie Avenue Alsip, Illinois 60803 Telephone: 708.202.0033 FAX: 708.385.5415 Internet: www.backflow.com

Primary Products/Services:

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

Market Area:

Illinois, Northwest Indiana, Wisconsin / 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 Brett Scharpenter, Vice President Doug Eisenhauer, Dir of Product Mgt. Megan Demereckis, Marketing

Sales Contact:

Sales/Quote Contact: Doug Eisenhower

New Product Opportunities: Brett Scharpenter

Telephone:

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 Ames, 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 Telephone: 513.475.FIRE (3473) FAX: 513.771.0726 Internet: www.clarkefire.com

Founded:

1964

Primary Products/Services:

UL/FM Diesel Fire Pump Drivers

Market Area:

Global

Management:

Dane Petrie, President Justin Strousse, Director of Global Sales Dave Scholten, Customer Support Manager

Sales Contact:

Justin Strousse, Marketing Manager, Americas

Telephone:

513.719.2307

Company Profile:

Clarke Fire Protection Products provides UL and FM certified diesel engines directly to pump manufacturers worldwide for their assembly into fire protection systems. These engines cover a power range of 38 through 1,025 bhp. Since the 2003 NFPA 20, there has been the ability to use variable speed to control system pressure in a sprinkler system. Clarke recently released the new electronic PLD (Pressure Limiting Driver), which through RPM reduction, allows the engine to control the maximum pressure of the pump system within a factory set range of 100 to 350 psi.



Columbian TecTank

9701 Renner Blvd. Ste. 150 Lenexa, Kansas 66219 Telephone: 913.621.3700 FAX: 913-621-2145

Internet: www.columbiantectank.com

Primary Products/Services:

Manufacturer of bolted tanks and shop-welded tanks in coated carbon steel, aluminum and stainless steel.



Complete Pump Service Co., Inc.

461 South Irmen Drive Addison, Illinois 60101 Telephone: 630.628.1600 FAX: 630.628.1709

Internet: 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, Persident

Telephone:

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 Telephone: 914.592.3640 Toll Free: 800.729.3473 FAX: 914 592 3892 Internet: www.croker.com

Founded:

1911

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Protection Equipment

Market Area:

Nationwide/Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Paul A. Sposato, President Larry J. Kaplan, VP Sales Peter E. Levine, Sales Coordinator Sales Contact: Larry J. Kaplan, VP Sales Peter E. Levine, Sales Coordinator

Company Profile:

Since 1911, 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. Because our equipment is critical for the protection of lives and property, we are continually striving to maintain and improve our product quality year after year. This has been our mission since 1911.

BRANCH OFFICE AND REGIONAL WAREHOUSES:

Croker Texas

1110 South Airport Circle-Suite 110 Euless, Texas 76040 Telephone: 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 Telephone: 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 Telephone: 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



DecoShield Systems, Inc.

272 Southwest 12th Avenue Deerfield Beach, Florida 33442 Telephone: 954.725.7665 Toll-Free: 800.873.0894 FAX: 800.585.3894 Internet: www.decoshield.com

Founded:

Primary Products/Services:

Pipe hangers & decorative pipe covers

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Sales Contact:

Linda Camm, President Telephone: 800.873.0894 FAX: 800.585.3894

Company Profile:

UL/ULC listed DecoShield Systems provide you with lightweight, attractive, affordable modular cover/ support systems for sprinkler piping, hydronics, plumbing, cable and conduit. DecoShield products are manufactured using an engineered resin of a Class I/A material meeting most model code requirements, and are clean, paintable, easy to install, tamper-resistant, durable and economical. The DecoShield cover will not dent, crack, rust or corrode. As an alternative to constructed soffits and suspended ceilings, the DecoShield Systems can be installed without disturbing asbestos ceilings and can be easily installed in occupied premises. We also offer assistance with design, installation and anchoring problems.



Dixon Powhatan

800 High Street Chestertown, Maryland 21620 Telephone: 410.778.2008 Toll Free: 877.712.6179 FAX: 410.778.4702

Internet: www.dixonpowhatan.com

Primary Products/Services:

Brass Fire Products/Accessories

Market Area:

U.S., Canada, Mexico, Middle East, Far East

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

Management:

Hazen Arnold, Division Manager Craig French, Plant Manager

Sales Contact:

Robin Bauer, Customer Service

Telephone:

410.778.2008. 877.712.6179

410.778.4702

Company Profile:

Dixon Powhatan is a manufacturer and distributor of fire protection products. Specializing in brass goods, our Winchester, Virginia manufacturing facility continues the proud tradition of Powhatan; making quality products at a competitive price. We stock our products in 12 warehouses around the country to support our distributors and get products on the job site fast. These products include: Pressure Reducing Factory Set Valves, Angle, Globe Wedge Disc Gate Valves, Chicago Pattern, Industrial Nozzles, Adapters, Fire Hose, Racks, Reels and Fire Department Connections. We proudly carry FM Approval, UL listings and MEA Approvals on numerous products.



Elite Components

12600 Cardinal Meadow Sugar Land, Texas 77498 Telephone: 281.494.3999 Toll Free: 877.213.7130 Fax: 281.275.3995

Internet: www.elitecomponents.com

Founded:

2009

Primary Products/Services:

Hangers and Supports

Market Area:

North America

Hours of Operation:

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

Sales Contact:

Management:

Ann Burrett

Telephone:

281.275.3944

Fax:

281.275.3995

Company Profile:

Elite Components manufactures and supplies hangers, ATR, Strut Accessories and ATR Studs. Shipped out of our facility in Sugar Land, Texas. "Hang with Elite".



Elkhart Brass

PO Box 1127 Elkhart. Indiana 46515 Telephone: 574.295.8330 Toll-Free: 800.346.0250 FAX: 574.293.1219

Internet: www.elkhartbrass.com

Founded:

1902

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Fighting Equipment

Market Area:

United States & International

Company Profile:

Elkhart Brass is the industry's most experienced manufacturer of firefighting equipment. For more than a century the company has produced innovative firefighting and fire protection products that lead the industry in safety, versatility and performance.



ERICO

34600 Solon Road Solon, Ohio 44139 Telephone: 440.248.0100 Toll Free: 800.813.3378 FAX: 440.248.0723

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, Inc.

2750 S. Towne Avenue Pomona, California 91766 Telephone: 909.517.3085 Fax: 909.517.3980

Internet: www.fergusonfire.com

Founded:

1989

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Sprinkler Material, Special Hazards 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 26 states from 55 warehouse facilities dedicated to the fire sprinkler contractor. 25 of these facilities also have fabrication capabilities. Of these 25 fabrication facilities, 9 are ISO 9001:2008 CERTIFIED. These ISO 9001:2008 CERTIFIED locations are in Alabama, Arizona, California, 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 Telephone: 760.599.1168 Toll-Free: 800.344.1822 FAX: 800.344.3775 Internet: www.fppi.com

Founded:

1989

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Sprinkler Accessories

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

6:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. PST Mon.-Fri.

Management:

Randy Greenslate, President

Sales Contact:

Customer Service

Telephone:

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 Safe Services LLC

2409 21st St

Menomonee, Michigan 49858 Telephone: (701) 258-8208



FlexHead Industries, Inc.

56 Lowland Street Holliston, Massachusetts 01746 Telephone: 508.893.9596 Toll-Free: 800.829.6975 FAX: 508.893.6020 Internet: 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:

Norman MacDonald III, President Peter MacDonald, Vice President Mike Dooley, Nat'l Sales Mgr.

Sales Contact:

Ben Johnson, Southern Regional Sales Manager Jason Czekalski, Western Regional Sales Manager John Noel – Northern Regional Sales Manager Jennifer Costello, Customer Service

Company Profile:

FlexHead Industries manufactures a complete line of one piece flexible sprinkler connections for suspended ceilings in commercial buildings, cleanroom environments, institutional applications and industrial exhaust ductwork. These systems are FM approved, UL2443 listed and have been used in industry for over 20 years. These products dramatically reduce installation time and maintenance costs and promote overall facility safety by allowing rapid inspection, maintenance and relocation of sprinklers.



Florida Aquastore Utility & Construction

4722 NW Boca Raton Blvd. Ste C-102 Boca Raton, Florida 33431 Telephone: 561.994.2400

FAX:561.994.2444



Fox Sprinkler Supply Corporation

951 Estes Court Schaumburg, Illinois 60193 Telephone: 847.524.8250 FAX: 847.524.8262 Internet: 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. Tu-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.



FPE Software, Inc

PO Box 1748 Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678 Telephone: 410.586.2128 FAX: 410.586.2085 Internet: www.fpesoftware.com

Management:

Mark Lentocha

Company Profile:

The home of fire protection engineering software, designed and sold by fire protection engineers.



FSW Supply

683 Wetherby Lane Devon, Pennsylvania 19333 Telephone: 610.964.1196 FAX:610.964.9402 Contact: Buck Buchanan, V.P.



Gecco. Inc.

RR 2 Box 2476G Factoryville, Pennsylvania 19333 Telephone: 570.945.3568 FAX: 570.945.9542 Contact: Orna Clum

Internet: www.dropmasterfiresprinkler.com

Company Profile:

The Dropmaster is a tool designed for the sprinkler fitter by a sprinkler fitter. A tool that when used properly will provide the fitter with a clean and effective way to change sprinkler heads, make cuts in areas with trapped water, and use time saving labor to do many other jobs where smelly, dirty water has been a problem. The Dropmaster allows the fitter to make changes by "pulling" a vacuum in the line to which it is attached. Once the vacuum has been established heads can be changed with very little effort, there is no residual dirty water to clean up, no offensive odors from the piping network, and little if any area clean up where the changes are taking place.

The fire protection contractor will garner immediate savings when using Dropmaster. Many contractors report labor savings in the 40 to 60% range. Some say the labor savings are in the 80% range. Labor savings means more productive hours for the fire protection contractor, and less down time for their client. All of which adds up to greater profits.



General Air Products, Inc.

118 Summit Drive Exton, Pennsylvania 19341 Telephone: 610.524.8950 Toll Free: 800.345.8207 FAX: 610.524.8965 Internet: 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

Richard West, Director Sales / Marketing Raymond M. Fremont Jr., Marketing Manager

National Fire Sprinkler Association

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

Company Profile:

General Air Products, Inc. manufactures equipment for both residential and commercial fire protection. From our innovative residential fire protection pumping 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 Telephone: 763.391.0990 FAX: 763.391.7668 Internet: 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 Telephone: 989.846.4583 Toll Free: 800.248.0278 FAX: 989.846.9231 Internet: 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

Telephone:

989.846.4583

FAX:

989.846.9231

Company Profile:

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



Guardian Fire Equipment

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

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Standpipe Equipment

Market Area:

Worldwide

Management:

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



Harvel Plastics, Inc.

PO Box 757 300 Keubler Rd. Easton, Pennsylvania 18044-0757 Telephone: 610.252.7355 FAX: 610.253.4436 Internet: 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 Telephone: 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

P.O. Box 542799 Merritt Island, FL 32954 Telephone: 321.299.3028 FAX: 866.879.0010

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:

Chuck Reed, Regional VP Sales Contact: Chuck Reed, Regional VP

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 provide superior customer service along with today's technology. Our fabrication facilities offer take-off and listing services by NICET certified personnel. Backed by strict quality control procedures, we offer custom fabrication to meet the needs of your next project.

HD SUPPLY-FIRE PROTECTION BRANCH LOCATIONS:

Phoenix, Arizona

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

Hayward, California

2407 Industrial Parkway West Hayward, California 94545 Telephone: 510.441.1650 FAX: 510.785.5074

San Francisco, California

155 De Haro St. San Francisco, California 94103 Telephone: 415.431.8722FAX: 415.431.8567

Sacramento, California

1120 Blumenfeld Drive Sacramento, California 95815 Telephone: 916.565.0466 FAX: 916.565.1852

Fresno, California

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

La Habra, California

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

Lodi, California

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

Denver, Colorado

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

Tampa, Florida

4511 E. Osbourne Ave. Tampa, Florida 33610 Telephone: 813.620.9058 FAX: 813.626.6912

Orlando, Florida

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

Palm Beach, Florida

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

Fort Myers, Florida

8091 Supply Drive Fort Myers, Florida 33912 Telephone: 239.437.9444 FAX: 239.437.9969

Miami, Florida

10810 NW 92nd Terrace Ste. 108 Miami, Florida 33178 Telephone: 305.477.2383 FAX: 305.805.4923

Jacksonville, Florida

11310 Distribution Ave. West Jacksonville, Florida 32256 Telephone: 904.260.4705 FAX: 904.260.4644

Atlanta, Georgia

2157 Tucker Industrial Road Tucker, Georgia 30084 Telephone: 770.414.1212 FAX: 770.414.1883

Chicago, Illinois

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

Indianapolis, Indiana

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

Columbia, Maryland

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

Charlotte, North Carolina

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

Las Vegas, Nevada

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

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

Memphis, Tennessee

1851 John Paul Dr. Memphis, Tennessee 38114 Telephone: 901.745.3106 FAX: 901.744.3204

Dallas, Texas

1975 California Crossing Rd. Dallas, Texas 75220 Telephone: 972.830.9370 FAX: 972.830.9385

Houston, Texas

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

Richmond, Virginia

738 Goodes St. Richmond, VA 23224 Telephone: 804.232.2003 FAX: 804.232.1255

Seattle, Washington

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



Hilti, Inc.

5400 S. 122nd East Ave. Tulsa, Oklahoma 74146 Telephone: 800.879.6000 Fax: 918.461.6841 Management: Blake Griffin



HRS Systems, Inc.

208 South Public Square Petersburg, Tennessee 37144 Telephone: 931.659.9760 FAX: 931.659.9763 Internet: 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

HRS SYSTEMS, INC. PRESENTS:

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

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

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



Huguenot Laboratories, Inc

101 Riverdale Road Port Jervis, New York 12771 Telephone: 845.856.6490 Toll Free: 800.228.3793 FAX: 845.858.8821

Founded:

1998

Primary Products/Services:

MIC and corrosion mitigation, laboratory service

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

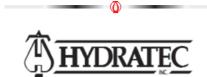
Tim O'Leary, President

Sales Contact:

Tim O'Leary, President

Company Profile:

Huguenot Laboratories, Inc. offers corrosion mitigation services for fire sprinkler systems. Huguenot is a full service MIC Testing Laboratory. We offer test kits, engineered treatment solutions, corrosion monitoring and control services, patented chemical feed systems for portable and permanent applications, metallurgical and deposit analysis, failure analysis, litigation support, engineering and consulting services, environmentally friendly non-hazardous treatment programs including antifreeze-based products.



Hydratec, Inc.

64 Haverhill Road Windham, New Hampshire 03087 Telephone: 603.434.0502 FAX: 603.434.1348

Founded:

1972

Primary Products/Services:

Internet: www.hydracad.com

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 quality 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 v50/51 for system design, HydraLIST for fabrication reports, HydraCALC for pipe sizing, HydraCALC-Sizer for pipe size estimating , HydraBID for price estimating and HydraCAD-R for NFPA 13-D Systems. These packages can be used separately, or as an integrated set to provide the best possible AutoCAD-based solution for 2D and 3D design, BIM, Navisworks coordination and true REVIT content integration.



Hydro Flow Products, Inc.

5050 Newport Dr # 4 Rolling Meadows, IL 60008 Telephone: 847.434.0101 Toll Free: 888.202.9987 FAX: 847.434.0073

Internet: 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:

Denise, Patrick, Terry

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.



Inspection Reports Online

1080 Corporate Blvd. Ste 200 Aurora, Illinois 60502 Telephone: 331.454.7800 FAX: 331.454.7801

Management:

Jill Cotton, Principal



IPEX USA LLC

10100 Rodney Street Pineville, North Carolina 28134 Tel. 704.889.2431 Fax 704.889.2390 Internet: www.ipexamerica.com

Founded:

1951

Primary Products/Services:

Blazemaster® Fire Sprinkler Pipe & Fittings

Market Area:

USA

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Friday

Management:

Tony Miceli, Nat'l Sales Mgr. Patrick Fedor P.E., Commercial Mkt Engineer

Sales Contact:

Customer Service Department

Company Profile:

At IPEX, we have been manufacturing non-metallic pipe and fittings since 1951. Our products are made available for customers thanks to a network of regional stocking locations throughout North America. We offer a complete line of BlazeMaster® pipe and fittings. More importantly, we are committed to meeting our customers' needs. As a

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leader in the plastic piping industry, IPEX continually develops new products, modernizes manufacturing facilities and acquires innovative process technology. For specific details about any IPEX product, contact our customer service department.



ITW Buildex

1349 West Bryn Mawr Avenue Itasca, Illinois 60143 Tel: 630.595.3500 Toll-Free: 800.328.4539 FAX: 630.595.3549 Internet: www.itwbuildex.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 Buildex, a division of Illinois Tool Works, has been a leading manufacturer of fastener systems for the construction industry. Our mission is to provide value-added, innovative product solutions to help contractors and architects build high quality buildings. SAMMYS® suspended anchoring systems have been providing vertical and horizontal overhead structural attachment solutions for decades. They are manufactured to meet the design challenges of modern structures and are aesthetically compatible with green design principles seeking to provide borrowed lighting and space framing benefits. All Sammys are made here in the USA, using the Teks® and Tapcon® technology preferred by US contractors for years. Sammys are best known in the fire sprinkler industry, but are adaptable for use in plumbing, electrical and HVAC applications.



Jenny Products, Inc.

850 North Pleasant Avenue Somerset, Pennsylvania 15501 Telephone: 814.445.3400 Toll Free: 888.425.3669 FAX: 814.445.2280

Internet: www.jennycompressor.com

Founded:

1896

Hours of Operation:

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

Primary Products/Services:

Pressure Washers & Air Compressors

Market Area:

Global

Management:

Daniel Leiss, V.P. Richard Layton, Operations Mgr. Doug Lasure, Techincal Service Mgr. Angela St. Clair, Customer Service Rep.

Sales Contact:

Angela St. Clair, C.S.R.

Company Profile:

Established in 1927, Jenny Products, Inc. is a full line manufacturer of Cold & Hot Pressure Washers, Steam Cleaners, Fire Combination Units, Cleaning Chemicals, as well as Hand Carry, Wheeled, Portable, Service Vehicle, Fire Sprinkler, Climate Control, Base-Plate Mounted and Industrial Stationary Air Compressors. Jenny Products, Inc. is a major influence in the paint, rental, equipment, stapler, fire sprinkler, industrial and OEM markets.



JG Innovations, Inc.

33 E. Racine St. Janesville, Wisconsin 53545 Telephone: 608.314.8710 Toll Free: 888.933.2248 FAX: 608.314.8712 Internet: www.jgius.com

Founded:

2009

Primary Products/Services:

JGI Interlock™ Concealment Systems

Market Area:

Nationwide

Hours of Operation:

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. M-F

Management:

Jack Grice, P.E., President Allen Stowers, V.P. Sales/Estimating Jasmin Steiner, V.P. Marketing

Sales Contact:

Allen Stowers

Company Profile:

JG Innovations, Inc., engineers, designs and fabricates JGI Interlock™ Concealment Systems, a streamlined, durable solution to cover exposed fire sprinkler piping. Our economical interior steel soffit

systems are entirely custom-fabricated with your choice of 24-16 gauge cold rolled and stainless steel, .050 aluminum, dimensions, various profiles and finishes required by your residential, commercial or institutional retrofit and new-construction projects. Virtually irremovable and easy to install, our soffit shield systems require few installation components and readily accept field-fabrications to satisfy the application configuration. 15 year limited warranty. Delivery within 3-4 weeks nationwide. JG Innovations also offers plan take-offs, CAD drawings, specifications, budgetary pricing, installation, samples, brochures and color chips.



KENNEDY VALVE/Division of McWane, Inc.

1021 E. Water Street PO Box 931 Elmira, NY 14902 Telephone: 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 Telephone: 623.687.2300 Toll-Free: 800.552.5669 FAX: 623.687.2299 Internet: www.knoxbox.com

Founded:

1975

Primary Products/Services:

Locking FDC Plugs and Caps

Market Area:

U.S. & Canada

Management:

Tom Bonetto, National Sales Manager Cynthia Jones, Marketing Communications Manager

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 ½" and 2 ½" male FDC plug, a 2 ½" female

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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.



Loos and Company, Inc.

901 Industrial Boulevard Naples, Florida 34104 Telephone: 239.643.5667 Toll-Free: 800.321.5667 FAX: 239.643.4558

Internet: 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 & Mktg

Sales Contact:

Phillip Cox

Telephone:

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 Telephone: 239.643.5667 Toll Free: 800.321.5667 FAX: 239.641.3539

Internet: 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. Cust. Serv.

Telephone:

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. Llisted 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 Telephone: 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.



M.E.P. CAD, Inc.

5050 Vista Blvd. Ste 103 Sparks, Nevada 89436 Telephone: 775.354.1200 FAX: 775.354.1205 Internet: http://www.mepcad.com

Management:

Joseph Reghetti, President
Terry Chapin, Vice President
Bill Richlin, Regional Coordinator
Patricia Seghaier, Office Manager
Charlene Richards CPA, Controller
Audrey Carrizzo, Database Manager
August Conte, Marketing/Sales
Anthony Conte, Software Development
Phil Schaeffer, Software Development
Tom Paolini, Software Development
Mike Caruso, Software Development

Company Profile:

MEPCAD, Inc. is a software development company dedicated to bringing innovation and technology together in a revolutionary line of Computer Aided Design Systems.

Staffed by a group of talented, dedicated individuals, MEPCAD, Inc. is poised to revolutionize the CAD industry.

MEPCAD's innovative, powerful, stand-alone CAD systems provide unique and productive 3D features, among others.

For AutoCAD users, MEPCAD provides versions of software which can be used as "add-ins". Using this method, designers can work in their familiar environment while gaining the benefits of MEPCAD productivity.

AutoSPRINK, our flagship product, has redefined the way Fire Sprinkler CAD Designers operate. With its intuitive, elegant design environment, coupled with powerful tools for Hydraulic Calculations and Stock Listing, AutoSPRINK will soon become the standard for fire sprinkler design.

AlarmCAD enables CAD designers to generate alarm system drawings quickly and accurately.



The Metraflex Company

2323 West Hubbard Street Chicago, Illinois 60612 Telephone: 312.738.3800 Toll-Free: 800.621.4347 FAX: 312.738.0415 Internet: www.fireloop.info

Founded:

1958

Primary Products/Services:

Fireloop & fireDrop

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

Sales Contact:

Zeke Bochenak

Company Profile:

Metraflex has been supplying piping specialty products since 1958. With the introduction of the UL listed, Fireloop seismic expansion joint, Metraflex has brought its expertise in seismic expansion joints to the fire sprinkler industry. The introduction and rapid industry acceptance of the Fireloop for fire sprinkler systems, plus its compliance with NFPA 13 guidelines, has made it the seismic expansion joint of choice.



Miller Sales, Inc.

340 S. Lombard Rd. Addison, Illinois 60101 Telephone: 630.458.8816 FAX: 630.458.9015 Email: haroldm@miller-sales.com

Founded:

1979

Primary Products/Services:

Wilkins Fire Protection Products

Market Area:

Northern Illinois, NE Indiana

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Harold Miller, President Mark Petrosius, Secretary Brian Baxter, Vice President Mick Bradford, Sales

Sales Contact:

All listed above

Company Profile:

Miller Sales, Inc. is a Manufacturer's representative for Wilkins Backflow Preventers., pilot operated control valves and floor control valves for fire sprinkler systems.



Newburgh Windustrial

65 Jeanne Drive Newburgh, New York 12550 Telephone: 845.566.5300 FAX: 845.566.5340 Internet: 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.



NIBCO Inc.

1516 Middlebury Street

Elkhart, Indiana 46516 Telephone: 574.295.3387 3000Toll Free: 800 234-0227

FAX: 574.295.3320 Internet: www.nibco.com

Founded:

1904

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Protection Valves

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

7:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. EST, Mon.-Fri.

Managemer

Mark Hamilton, Vice President –Sales & Marketing Bill Geers, Director of Valves & Actuation Phil Liles, Valve Product Manager Sales Contact: Jim Hilfinger, Vice President, Sales-

Wholesale

Pat McAndrew, Chemtrol National Sales Manager

Company Profile:

NIBCO manufactures UL, ULC, FMRC, NYC valves for the fire protection market and has expanded to include Brastic™ CPVC sprinkler head adapters. For more information, visit www.nibco.com



The Noble Company

7300 Enterprise Drive Spring Lake, Michigan 49456 Telephone: 231.799.8000 FAX: 231.799.8850

Management:

Debbie Kingma, Vice President



North Alabama Pipe Corporation

5010 Sword Street P.O. Box 750 Guntersville, Alabama 35976 Telephone: 256.582.8800 Toll Free: 800. 826.2533 FAX: 256.582.0233 Internet: www.nalapipe.com

Founded:

1982

Primary Products/Services:

Welding Outlets & Pipe Fabrication Equipment

Market Area:

International

Management:

Edward H. Hayes, *President* Tony ford Mary Lou Griffith

Company Profile:

Our company started in 1983 and we manufacture NAP 300 threaded weld outlets that are UL/FM Listed. We are also innovators of pipe fabrication equipment which includes our Hole System, Pipe Cut-Off, Lift & Turn, Automatic Welder and Make-On. Our equipment is installed worldwide. Visit our website for additional information.



PAC Pump & Systems, Inc.

106 Hobart St.

Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 Telephone: 201.621.0500 FAX: 201.621.0506 Internet: www.pacpump.com

Founded:

2003

Primary Products/Services:

Fire pumps and controllers-sales and service.

Market Area:

New Jersev

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

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

Company Profile:

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



Peerless Pump Company

2005 Dr. Martin L. King Jr. St. Indianapolis, Indiana 56202 Telephone: 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:

Andrew Warrington, President Tim Ballengee, VP Sales, Fire Market

Sales Contact:

Tim Ballengee, VP. Sales, Fire Market

Telephone:

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 Telephone: 630 859-7000 FAX: 630 859-7060 Internet: www.aurorapump.com www.fmpump.com www.edwardsmfg.com

Founded:

1909

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Pumps/ Fire Systems/Foam Pumps

Market Area:

National & International

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'l 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. & Nat'l Sales Mgr.
 315.638.4688

Company Profile:

Pentair Water's family of brands includes well-known 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. KansasCity, 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 Telephone: 330.482.9256 Toll Free: 800.321.2736 FAX: 330.482.2763 Internet: www.phd-mfg.com

Founded:

1972

Primary Products/Services:

Pipe hangers, beam supports, struts & accessories

Market Area:

U.S., Europe, Asia

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

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

Sales Contact:

Rick Persing, Nat'l Sales Manager, Sprinkler Division Telephone & 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 Telephone: 763.488.8100 Toll-Free: 866. 747.7473 FAX: 763.488.8141 Internet: 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:

5:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

Sales Contact:

Jerry Fritz, General Manager

Telephone:

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 Telephone: 502-582-2261 Toll Free: 800.626.5133 FAX: 502.540.0330

Internet: www.plumbers-supply-co.com

Founded:

1928

Primary Products/Service:

Plumbing, Hydronics, HVAC, Fire Protection

Market Area:

Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana, Western West Virginia

Hours of Operation:

Mon.-Fri. 7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. call 24 hrs. emergency

Management:

Sam Alvey, G.M. Fire Protection Sales, all locations

Phone: 502-540-0223 Cell: 502-550-2053

Inside Sales:

Louisville, Kentucky Mike Newton

Phone: 502.540.0332 Cell: 502.817.2079 Sean Post

Phone: 502.540.0322

Inside Sales:

Lexington, Kentucky

Ronnie Wilson

Toll Free: 800.467.7586 Local: 859.255.0700 Cell: 859.621.5278 John Jutz, Fire Protection Outside Sales, KY, TN, So. IN, WV

Phone: 502.540.0272 Cell: 502.376.0639

Brian Roberts, Fire Protection Outside Sales, IN, part KY 3849 E. Raymond St. Indianapolis, Indiana 46203 Toll Free: 800.886.2981 Phone: 317.783.2981

Phone: 317.783.298 Cell: 317.557.1559 FAX: 317.783.2987

Inside Sales:

Sales & Quotations Indy and surrounding areas

Jason Davis (use Indy Phones)

Cell: 317.557.0685

Kim Hebauf (use Indy phones)

Brent Mabrey, Fire Protection Sales for Evansville, IN and Surrounding IN and KY areas

1817 W. Michigan St. Evansville, Indiana 47712 Toll Free: 800.457.3048 Phone: 812.425.3115 Cell: 812.305.3203

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

Internet: 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

1609 Park 370 Place St. Louis, Missouri 63042 Toll-Free: 800.325.3936 FAX: 800.768.8377

Internet: www.pottersignal.com

Founded:

1898

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Sprinkler Monitoring, Signaling Devices

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Bernard Lears, President, C.E.O.
Bruce LaRue, President, Fire Sprinkler Monitoring
Division

Sales Contact:

Tim Freiner, Vice President – North American Sales

Company Profile:

Established in 1898, Potter Electric Signal Company produces a wide array of products including fire sprinkler monitoring systems and corrosion monitoring, MIC testing, and corrosion mitigation. Potter also manufactures electronic fire systems and boiler/chiller and industrial control products. At Potter, not only do we supply our customers with products that provide real world solutions for their unique needs, we strive to provide them unequaled service and technical support.

Every employee at Potter is committed to providing you, the customer, the peace of mind in knowing that when you purchase our products, you are providing your customers the very best product available for the protection of life and property. Potter is THE Symbol of Protection.



Potter Roemer

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

Internet: www.potterroemer.com

Founded:

1937

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Extinguishers, Hoses, Valve Cabinets

National Fire Sprinkler Association

Market Area:

U.S.A.

Management:

George Brown, Vice President Sales

Company Profile:

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



Quimby Equipment Company, Inc.

35 Central Drive Farmingdale, NY 11735 Telephone: 631.454.8411 FAX: 631.454.8423 Internet: www.quimbyinc.com

Primary Products/Services:

Pump Sales

Management:

Greg Ross, Sales Representative



REHAU Construction LLC

1501 Edwards Ferry Road, NE Leesburg, Virginia 20176 Telephone: (703) 777-5255 FAX: (703) 777-3053 Email: rehau.mailbox@rehau.com

Email: renau.maildox@renau.com

Internet: na.rehau.com

Founded:

1948

Primary Products/Services:

PEXa Pipe & Fire Protection Fittings FIREPEX™

Company Profile:

Expertise and an innovative spirit have made REHAU a leading systems and service provider for polymer-based solutions in construction, automotive and industry. By combining strong development capabilities with decentralized sales and service excellence, we have become one of the top providers in the market. The highest levels of professionalism from material development through manufacturing, together with a passion for the unlimited potential of polymers are the foundation of our worldwide success as a premium brand.

BRANCHES:

REHAU Construction LLC 615 -1st Avenue North East, Suite #135 Minneapolis, MN 55413 Tel: 800.297.6371 Fax: 800.298.8914

Contact: Lori Hanson, Sales Coordinator

- Building Technology

REHAU Construction LLC 4254 Green River Road Corona, CA 92880-1669 Tel: 800.944.1011 Fax: 951-549-9018

Contact: Rhonda Willie, Sales Coordinator

- Building Technology

Kristi Cordesius, Sales Coordinator

- Building Technology



The Reliable Automatic

Sprinkler Company, Inc. 103 Fairview Park Drive Elmsford, New York 10523 Telephone: 914.829.2042 Toll-Free: 800.431.1588 FAX: 800.848.6051

Internet: www.reliablesprinkler.com Email: info@reliablesprinkler.com

Founded:

1918

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Sprinklers, Valves, Special Hazard/Systems, Fire Sprinkler 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 Vice President Michael R. Fee, Vice President, Marketing & Sales Operations

Company Profile:

As a major manufacturer of automatic fire sprinklers, valves and special hazards/systems products and a distributor of sprinkler system components, The Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Company, Inc. is your one source for all your fire protection needs. Headquartered in Elmsford, New York, the company has built a new state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in Liberty, South Carolina and has offices strategically located throughout the U.S. and overseas. Reliable is dedicated to developing new innovative products. 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

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& SALES OFFICES:

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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 (Carrollton)

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

Las Vegas, NV

Tel: 866.927.7775 Fax: 866.927.7776

Seattle, WA (Kent)

Tel.: 877.327.2563 Fax: 877.327.2574

FABRICATION:

Grand Prairie, TX:

Tel: 972.352.6400 Fax: 972.352.6402

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Adelaide, Australia

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Relmark Group

2100 Kimberton Road Kimberton, Pennsylvania 19442 Phone: 484.924.8155

Primary Products/Services:

Insurance, Risk Management

Market Area:

U.S.A.

Management:

Top Myers

Sales Contact:

Top Myers

Telephone:

610.327.1010 ext. 219 FAX: 610.321.1011

Company Profile:

Tired of insurance companies with underwriters and claim handlers that don't understand your business? Looking for an insurance partner? Servicing Fire Sprinkler Contractors are all we do. We partner you and your broker to get you the "right" insurance. RelMark Group is comprised of professionals that are united in their mission to provide quality products and services to sprinkler contractors. In addition to the insurance policy, we provide in-house, dedicated sprinkler claim specialists and "best practices" focused risk management services. Contact your local insurance agent and let RelMark Group Program Managers quote your insurance. Start now for a long-term relationship with professionals who understand your business. You are an expert in fire sprinklers. Why not start working with someone who is an expert in fire sprinkler contractors' insurance. You have nothing to lose. www.relmarkgroup. com



Shurjoint Piping Products, Inc.

4775 East Cheyenne Avenue, Ste 100 Las Vegas, Nevada 89115 Telephone: 702.644.4492 Toll-Free: 877.476.6833 FAX: 702.644.1091 Internet: www.shurjoint.com

Founded:

1975

Primary Products/Services:

Grooved Piping Components

Market Area:

National & International

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Mark Beach, Vice President Brad Johnson, Vice President, USA Operations Eric Anderson, Vice President, Technical Sales

BRANCH OFFICE:

Shurjoint Piping Products

1380 Beverage Drive #P Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083 Tel: 770.817.0444 Toll Free: 877.880.6600 FAX: 770.817.0443

Company Profile:

With nearly four decades of experience, Shurjoint is recognized as a world leader in the design and manufacture of grooved, hole-cut, and threaded piping components. Shurjoint offers a full line of

grooved fittings and couplings, a complete line of ductile iron threaded fittings and flow control components. Shurjoint manufacturing facilities are certified to ISO 9001. The company's products are listed, approved and or certified by UL, cULus, FM, VdS, LPCB and others. Shurjoint is a proud member of the NFSA, AFSA, NFPA, and USGBC.



SIGMA Piping Products Corporation

5000 Askins Lane Houston, Texas 77093 Telephone: 609.758.0800 FAX: 609.758.1399

Internet: http://www.sigmapipingproducts.com

Primary Products/Services:

SIGMA Piping Products is a division of SIGMA Corporation, a distinguished manufacturer in the water and sewer industry.

Our mission is to supply the highest engineered products to manufacturers in the Commercial & Residential Plumbing, Gas, Electrical, Fire Protection and HVAC industries. SIGMA Piping Products supplies several product lines that not only exceed competition in quality but in value as well.



South-Tek Systems

2940 Orville Wright Way Wilmington, North Carolina 28405 Telephone: 910.332.4173 FAX: 910.332.4178

Management:

Scott Bodermann, Product Manager



S-P-D Incorporated

1167 Tower Road Schaumburg, Illinois 60173 Telephone: 847.882.9820 FAX: 847.882.9825 Internet: www.spdinc.com

Primary Products/Services:

NFPA 13D & NFPA 13R Residential Fire Pump Systems

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

David M. Whitfield, President Nick Di Giovanni, Vice President

National Fire Sprinkler Association

Betty Lauer, Office Manager Jeff Kubik, Service Manager

Sales Contact:

David Whitfield, President Nick Di Giovanni, V.P.

Company Profile:

S-P-D Incorporated is the exclusive manufacturer of THE GUARDIAN NFPA 13D & 13R Residential Fire Pump System. THE GUARDIAN is a completely assembled, self-contained, easy to install residential pump system, configured to meet your specific requirements. THE GUARDIAN serves as the heart of the residential fire sprinkler system. Once installed and in service, it provides the required capacity and pressure so that the sprinkler system can perform as designed. THE GUARDIAN meets all NFPA 13D code requirements. It is available in two models, the G5000 for wall mounting and the G3000 for floor mounting and is available in a wide range of pump sizes. Both units are available in 115 VAC and 220 VAC, single phase, depending on the horsepower of the pump The NFPA 13R systems are supplied with a UL Listed Vertical In Line fire pump and a UL Listed NFPA 13R fire pump controller mounted and wired on a steel base for use at 220 VAC single phase. Every unit is custom assembled to the customer specifications and thoroughly tested for the rated pressure and flow as well as hydrostatically tested for 24 hours to ensure that there are no leaks prior to shipment from our factory. Our systems are simply designed, enabling quick and easy installation. Large selections of pump systems are in stock and ready for immediate delivery. We provide a full selection of lightweight, durable, high-density polyethylene tanks that exceed the specs for the installation of residential fire sprinkler systems. Our tanks are competitively priced and promptly delivered. They fit through standard 32" and 36" doorways, and are rotationally molded, one-piece, free-standing construction to ensure exceptional tank integrity. We provide knowledgeable and informed fire protection solutions, representing and servicing products of many of the most trusted, manufacturers in the industry. Please call for pricing or technical information.



SPP Pumps

6720 Best Friend Rd. Norcross, Georgia 30071 Telephone: 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

Telephone:

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.



Spears Manufacturing Company

PO Box 9203 Sylmar, California 91342 Telephone: 818.364.1611 FAX: 818.367.3014 Internet: www.spearsmfg.com

Primary Products/Services

Fittings and Valves

Management:

Wayne Spears, President



Specialized Fire & Security, Inc.

20 Cotluss Road Suite 9 Riverdale, New Jersey 07470 Telephone: 973.616.8771 Fax: 973.860.5600

Management:

Chris Kelly, President Steve DiRenzo, VP

Company Profile:

Specialized Fire & Security is a special hazards system sub contractor. We provide Clean Agent systems including FE-227, NOVEC 1230, High and Low Pressure Carbon dioxide suppression systems as well as complete fire detection and controls packages for water based systems.

We are distributors for Siemens Fire Safety and Ansul Fire Protection as well as others.

We can provide a complete turnkey package including electrical installation of systems as required for any project.



Starfire Systems, Inc.

9825 S. 54th St. Franklin, Wisconsin 53132 Telephone: 414.448.0100 FAX: 414.448.0101 Internet: www.starfiresys.com

Primary Products/Services:

Fire suppression and detection systems for critical facilities.

Management:

Darrel Malek, President



Starfire , Inc.

3550 S Iowa Ave St. Francis, Wisconsin 53207 Telephone: 414.483.5959

Fax: 414.483.1566Internet: www.starfireusa.com

Founded:

1987

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Protection Material

Market Area:

Midwest & Southwestern U.S./International

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Scott Mathwig, President Denise Malek, Executive Vice President Gil Brzezinski, Vice President Paul Bennett, Vice President, Marketing

Sales Contact:

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Company Profile:

Starfire Systems is an independent, full-line fire protection distributor with locations in Wisconsin and California. We offer a broad line of products, including sprinklers, fittings, valves, electronic monitoring devices, bladder expansion tanks, surge suppression tanks & fire pump systems. Our collective experience and vast product line helps fire protection contractors meet their deadlines and improve their profitability.



Superior Systems, Inc.

17696 County Road 112 Bristol, Indiana 46507 Telephone: 574.848.4104 Toll Free: 800.662.0906 FAX: 574.848.5270

Internet: superiorsystemsinc.com

Founded:

1991

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

David Alexander, President Aaron Alexander, Project Manager

Sales Contact:

David Alexander, President

Company Profile:

Superior Systems manufactures and installs customized "soffit systems" for the sprinkler industry. Our extensive selection of products is manufactured in various gauges of steel and aluminum materials, depending on the individual project requirements and finishes. For the right product to conceal and protect sprinkler systems and keep your project "up to code and out of sight," call 800.662.0906 or visit our web site at superiorsystemsinc.com for detailed selections and information.



Suppression Systems, Inc.

301 South 4th Street Pennsburg, Pennsylvania 18073 Telephone: 215. 679.6291 Toll Free: 800.360.0687 FAX: 215.679.6028

Internet: www.suppressionsystems.com

Founded:

1983

Primary Products/Services:

Special Hazard Fire Protection/Fire alarms

Market Area:

NY, PA, NJ, MD, DE, VA

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Jeff Lambert, President
J. David Winder, Suppression Sales Manager
David Moyer, Operations Manager

Sales Contact:

Keith Altmiller, Sales Rep



System Sensor

3825 Ohio Avenue St. Charles, IL 60174 Telephone: 630.377.6580 Toll-Free:800.736.7672 FAX: 630.377.6495 Internet: www.systemsensor.com

Founded:

1984

Primary Products/Services:

Fire Sprinkler System Monitoring Products

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

John Hakanson, President
Dave Lyons, VP of Sales
Chuck Kitts, Director of Fire Sprinkler Sales
Jackie Lorenty, Marketing Manager
Dennis Sekermestrovich, Western Regional Manager

Sales Contact:

Chuck Kitts, Director of Fire Sprinkler Sales

Company Profile:

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





Talco Fire Systems

6040 NE 117th Ave. Portland, Oregon 97220 Telephone: 503.668.1231 Toll Free: 800.878.8055 FAX: 503.688.1234 Internet www.talcofire.com

Founded:

1981

Primary Products/Services:

Packaged Residential Pump Systems

Market Area:

National

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Victor Tallon, President Gary Ike, General Mgr. Steve Ike, Sales/Marketing Mgr. Scott Shaffer, Product Specialist

Sales Contact:

Steve Ike, Sales Mgr.

Telephone:

503.668.1231

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Company Profile:

Talco manufactures package pump systems including residential 13, 13R systems and packaged systems that meet the standards of NFPA 20. See our website at talcofire.com for more detailed information, which includes drawings and data in CAD format.



Tank Connection

PO Box 579 3609 N. 16th Parsons, Kansas 67357 Telephone: 620.423.3010 FAX: 620.423.3999 Internet: www.tankconncetion.com

Primary Products/Services:

Water Storage Tanks

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Justin McKee, Liquid Tank Sales Manager David Hamilton, Liquid Tank Sales Manager Vince Horton, V.P., Sales

Sales Contact:

National Fire Sprinkler Association

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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.

- Precision RTP (rolled, tapered panel design) is the top-rated bolted tank design for fire protection applications... worldwide
- Standard accessory packages include access ladders/stairways, manways, level controls, heaters, insulation and other customized spec requirements
- Unmatched performance of LI Fusion 7000
 FBE™ interior powder coat system in NSF 61
 approved and comes with a standard 5-year
 limited warranty
- The NO LEAK bolted water storage tank design
- Designed for long life...low maintenance storage
- Designed and manufactured at the #1 rated bolted tank facility worldwide

GET CONNECTED with the Engineer's 1st choice in fire protection storage tanks!



Telgian Corporation

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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

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FAX:

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Company Profile:

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

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Armond Sarkisian, CEO



TOLCO®, a Brand of Cooper B-Line

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Founded:

1967

Primary Products/Services:

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

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Cooper B-Line: Rick Duft, VP Mechanical Sales TOLCO®, George Von Gnatensky, Director of Sales, Fire Protection

Eric Grant, Engineering Solutions East Greg Shaughnessy, Product Manager Seismic Alex Schickling, Engineering Solutions West

Sales Contact:

George Von Gnatensky, Director of Sales, Fire Protection

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Company Profile:

TOLCO®, a brand of Cooper B-Line, is a manufacturer of quality, UL/FM pipe hangers, supports, UL/FM and OSHPD Approved seismic bracing, with over 45 years of experience in the residential and commercial fire protection markets. The TOLBrace®, seismic bracing calculation software is widely accepted as the standard in the industry. TOLCO®, has recently introduced a series of new products including the Figure 828 Universal Structural Sway Brace Attachment and the Figure 28M, Offset Hanger and Restrainer for CPVC Fire Sprinkler Pipe.

Cooper B-Line is a world leader in quality metal framing and support systems products.

www.bline.com – www.tolco.com.

Tyco Fire Protection Products

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Founded:

1850

Primary Products/Services:

Water & Chemical based Fire Protection Products, Grooved Piping Products, Sprinkler System Design Software, Training Services. Market Area: Global

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Colleen Repplier, President Suzanne Rowland, V.P. & G.M., Americas James Golinveaux, G.M., Water Fire Suppression Products Aaron Saak, Global Marketing, Director, Water Fire

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Suppression Products

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Company Profile:

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

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Founded:

1910

Primary Products/Services:

Valves

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

Mike Berkelhammer, President Jim Sattler, Sales Manager

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Company Profile:

United Brass Works manufactures a wide range of bronze and ductile iron valves for fire protection applications. Bronze products include globe and angle valves, swing checks, ball drips, three-way

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gauge valves as well as OS&Y gate valves. Ductile iron products include UL/FM wafer check valves, groove check valves and male by female check valves.



Uponor Inc.

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Founded:

1620 yes, 1620

Primary Products/Services:

Life, safety and comfort system solutions

Market Area:

Worldwide

Management:

Eric Skare, Product Manager

Company Profile:

Uponor is a worldwide leader in radiant heating, plumbing and residential fire sprinkler systems using cross-linked polyethylene PEX-a tubing. Uponor is recognized for delivering intelligent, intuitively designed products that set the highest standards in the industry. Uponor AquaSAFE™ residential fire sprinkler systems are designed as an extension of your home's plumbing. Using proven Uponor PEX-a-tubing and ProPEX® fittings, AquaSAFE™ systems are available in configurations that meet or exceed NFPA 13D requirements. So, not only will an AquaSAFE™ system save lives, it'll save money on installation and insurance costs too.



USA Tank Storage Systems

14174 Highway 43 Seneca, Missouri 64865 Telephone: 417.776.2500 FAX: 417.776.2524 Internet: 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 Internet: www.victaulic.com

Founded:

1925

Market Area:

Global

Management:

Bob Freidl, V.P., Market Dev.

Company Profile:

For more than 85 years, Victaulic has been the world's leading manufacturer of grooved mechanical piping products including a full offering for fire protection systems. This broad product mix includes installation-ready couplings, fittings, valves, devices, sprinklers, flexible sprinkler fittings, pip preparation tools, accessories and more, all from the company that invented grooved pipe assembly technology.



Viega North America

301 N. Main 9th Flr Wichita, Kansas 67202 Telephone: 316.425.7400 Toll Free: 800.976.9819 FAX: 316.425.7618 Internet: www.viega.com

Founded:

1899

Primary Products/Services:

Plumbing, Heating, Pipe Joining

Market Area:

North America

Management:

Dan Schmierer, CEO
Dave Garlow, V.P. Sales
Christian Gottermier, V.P. of Market Innovations
Adina Barnes, Director of Market Intellilgence

Sales Contact:

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Company Profile:

Founded in 1899, Viega manufactures and distributes the highest quality plumbing, heating and pipe-joining systems in the world. With innovative systems like copper and stainless ProPress®, ProRadiant™ and PureFlow®, Viega is the global leader in residential, commercial and industrial piping applications



The Viking Corporation

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
VGStm Grooved Piping System
Steel Pipe
Threaded Fittings
Hangers & Fasteners
Electrical Products
Foam Systems
FDC Equipment

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

Backflow Prevention

Tools & Accessories

24/7/365

Management:

Kevin Ortyl, CEO Mike Bosma, President Tom Callahan, V.P. Cary Nichol, V.P.

Sales Contact:

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Company Profile:

Together, the companies of the Viking Group (Viking Corporation, Viking SupplyNet, Viking Fabrication Services, Viking Plastics, VGS® Grooved Piping Systems and Viking Special 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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Jeff Trew

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Viking SupplyNet (**Miami**) 2840 SW 42nd Street Port 95 Ind Ctr Build IV Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312 Telephone: 954-791-1756 Fax: 954-791-1614 south@supplynet.com Sales Contact: Will Allgood, Jeff Trew

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Founded:

1877

Primary Products/Services:

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Founded:

1954

Primary Products/Services:

Tools for plumbing/waterworks/fire sprinkler/industrial and utilities

Market Area:

USA & International

Management:

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Sales Contact:

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Company Profile:

Wheeler-Rex is a specialty tool manufacturer of pipe cutting & working tools, pipe threading machines, hydrostatic test pumps, pipe cutters, tube tools, plastic pipe tools, valve exercisers, shut off tools,



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Founded:

1906

Primary Products/Services:

Valves for Fire Suppression Systems

Market Area:

Worldwide

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

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Founded:

1979

Primary Products/Services:

Underground Storage Tanks

Market Area:

United States

Management:

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Company Profile:

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Founded:

1900

Primary Products/Services:

PEX for Residential Fire Sprinkler Systems

Market Area:

United States & Canada

Hours of Operation:

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

Management:

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Company Profile:

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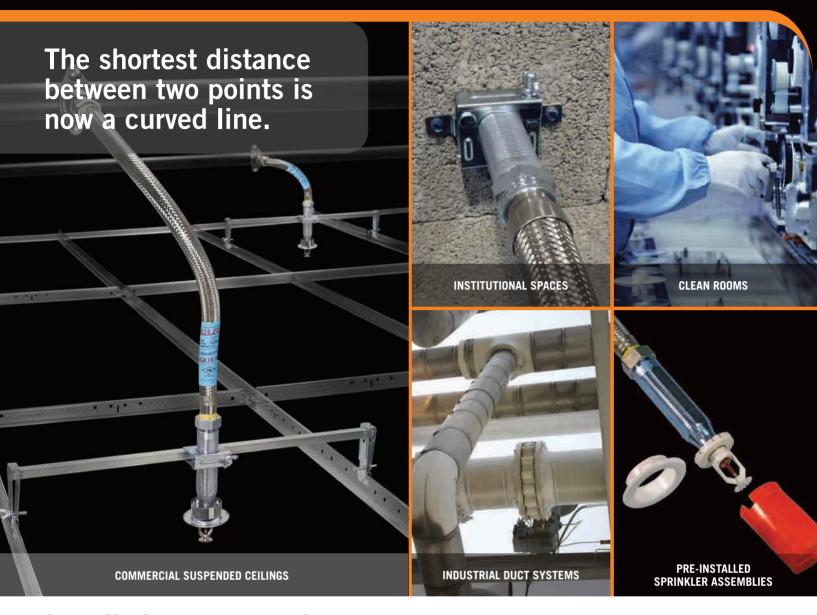












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commercial, industrial and residential occupancies except one and two family dwellings, of which would be regulated by the plumbing portions of the IRC. This article will be concerned with the fire sprinkler end of the business in the IPC for enforcers, designers, and contractors.

In most jurisdictions, the plumbing trade and the fire sprinkler trade are

plumber (usually a Master Plumber) can only install, inspect, test and maintain the backflow assemblies.

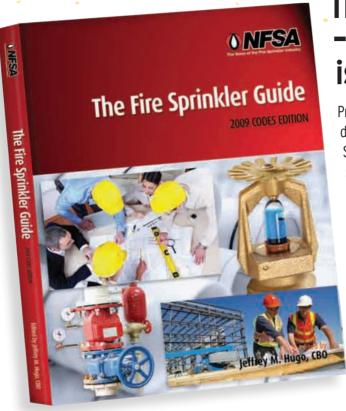
The IPC doesn't have too much to do with fire sprinkler systems with one exception and that is for backflow protection. Backflow is required for fire sprinklers and standpipe systems in Section 608.16.4 and a quick guide to what



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a potable water supply. This is the most common system connection. The most common and most economical backflow assembly is the double check fire protection backflow assembly or the double check detector fire protection backflow assembly. These two assemblies also offer the least friction loss when designing fire sprinkler systems. This section exempts backflow protection from fire sprinkler and standpipe systems that do not have fire department connections. Dry, preaction and deluge fire sprinkler systems are also exempt from backflow protection.

Column two and three reference IPC Section 608.16.4. These two columns address when a fire sprinkler or standpipe system or a portion thereof, is connected to a potable water supply and the system has additives or antifreeze installed in the piping system or additional connections are made to a non-potable secondary supply. This is where the "RPZ" requirement comes from for antifreeze loops.

Column four is designates the type of backflow assembly. The 2012 IPC has made some minor changes in their backflow assembly terminology to match the titles of the performance standard's titles.

Column five references the correct hazard that a backflow assembly should protect against. In IPC Table 608.1, the hazard reference is low or high and it is up to the user to find out the definitions.

Table 1-1 states the correct hazard terminology. The IPC ties the two double check assemblies to protect from pollution and the two "RPZ's" to protect against contamination. 2012 IPC defines the two hazards as follows:

Pollution: An impairment of the quality of the potable water to a degree that does not create a hazard to the public health but that does adversely and unreasonably affect the aesthetic qualities of such potable water for domestic use.

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The sixth column references the correct performance standard as referenced throughout IPC Section 608. The appropriate year for the referenced standards in any ICC code can be found in the Referenced Standards chapter. In the IPC, referenced standards are in Chapter 14.

The seventh and last column addresses the standard for the inspection and testing of these backflow devices. This requirement comes from IPC Section 312.10. Annual inspections are required for all backflow assemblies and testing is required for the device annually, after installation (new or relocation), and after repairs. \bullet



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Plastic Pallets

he material world seems to be comprised of more and more plastic. This includes products, packaging and even the pallets used in storage facilities. Adding more plastics in the surrounding environment can increase the fire hazard present in a space. When installing fire sprinkler systems, there are provisions for using plastic pallets in the storage arrangements as well as storing the plastic pallets if they are not in use.

It is important to begin with a definition for palletized storage. Palletized storage is defined in NFPA 13, 2010 Edition as "storage of commodities on pallets or other storage aids that form horizontal spaces between tiers of storage." The pallet itself provides a platform for the commodity upon but is not solid. The openings in the pallet are typically designed to aid in moving the pallet loads from one location to another, such as by a fork lift truck. However, the spaces within the pallet easily allow for air to circulate during a scenario and supply oxygen to the fire. This can make control and/or suppression of the fire challenging.

Traditionally, pallets are made of wood. Wood, of course, is an ordinary combustible material. Trends are to make more products from plastic, which creates higher heat release rates over wood in a fire scenario. A plastic pallet is defined as "a pallet having any portion of its construction consisting of a plastic material." Plastic pallets may be reinforced or unreinforced. When pallets are reinforced (using another material, one example

is steel), they are less likely to bend and collapse during a fire and by holding their shape they assist the fire by allowing airflow to the commodity on the pallet. This leads to additional requirements when using or storing plastic pallets.

Storing on Plastic Pallets

Commodity classifications include a pallet for the commodity to sit on, as it would when stored in the field. The baseline used is wood pallets. When pallets are made of metal or materials that have shown equivalency through testing/listing to wood pallets, they are treated the same as the baseline wood pallets. When plastic pallets are used, the additional heat release created during a fire needs to be accounted for by modifying the commodity class of the storage arrangement.

If unreinforced plastic pallets are being used, the commodity class for Class I through Class IV is increased one class per Section 5.6.2.2 of NFPA 13. It specifies that the pallet would be unreinforced polypropylene or unreinforced high-density polyethylene plastic pallets. If the commodity is Group A plastics then no increase is required as the protection scheme would already accommodate plastic materials. Unreinforced plastic pallets are required to be permanently marked indicating that they are unreinforced. If there is no symbol to indicate this, then the pallets would have to be treated as reinforced pallets. Unfortunately, many plastic pallet manufacturers have not marked their product

even though they are unreinforced. Therefore, the sprinkler system would have to be planned for reinforced pallets.

Class I through Class III commodities will be increased two classes when using reinforced plastic pallets. Class IV commodities will be increased one class for reinforced plastics as that puts it at a Group A plastics level, which is planned for the heat release rates and fire conditions of plastics. Similar to unreinforced pallets, the plastic material needs to be polypropylene or high-density polyethylene. As the modification in commodity class is two classes for reinforced and one class for unreinforced, it is obvious why the marking on unreinforced pallets is so desirable.

There is a benefit for using bigger orifice sprinklers when storing commodities on plastic pallets. Where the storage arrangement can be protected with only ceiling sprinklers and the spray sprinklers have a K-factor of 16.8 (240) or larger, no increase in commodity class is required for plastic pallets. This applies for both unreinforced and reinforced plastic pallets.

NFPA 13 has covered how to handle

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pallets made from wood, metal, polypropylene or high-density polyethylene. Should another material be used Section 5.6.2.7 requires that the commodity class be increased by two classes or that commodity be classified with the pallet by a testing laboratory to show what classification should be used. There are pallets in use today that are composite materials incorporating plastic, small particles of wood, and bonding substances. These are handled by increasing two classes or proving that such a severe increase is not necessary with testing.

Storage of Idle Plastic Pallets

Plastic pallets increase the fuel load present for most commodities. Therefore, it should be recognized that storing plastic pallets when they are not in use will also present a challenging fire. These pallets are known as idle pallets. There are specific ways these pallets are allowed

to be stored with the simplest option being to store them outside. Other options for storing plastic pallets include storing them in a detached structure, cutoff rooms or following the conditions set up in Section 12.12.2.

One arrangement that can be used to protect idle plastic pallets when stored indoors is with Early Suppression Fast Response (ESFR) sprinklers in accordance with Table 12.12.2.1. This allows the pallets to be stored as high as 35 feet (10.7 m) under ceilings as tall as 40 feet (12.2 m). Of course, the storage height and building height will vary with the K-factor of the ESFR sprinkler as well as the minimum pressure used for the sprinklers. This criterion would allow for the pallets to be stored on the floor or in racks as long as the racks do not have solid shelves.

Indoor storage of these idle plastic pallets can also be protected with spray sprinklers as long as the K-factor is 16.8 (240) or greater. In this case, the maximum storage height is 10 feet (3.0 m) with

a maximum building height of 30 feet (9.1 m). A lot of water will be needed to control this fire, therefore the standard requires a density of 0.6 gpm/ft² (24.4 mm/min), which will have to be calculated over 2000 ft² (186 m²).

Usina cutoff rooms to store plastic pallets helps to keep the high hazard in a specific area, especially if the building planned to store lower hazard commodity products. A cutoff room is required to have at least one exterior wall with any interior walls rated for at least 3 hours. Steel columns within the space will need to be protected with

fire proofing rated for one hour or spray from a sidewall sprinkler as indicated in Section 12.12.2.2(1)(e). In the cutoff room storage of the idle pallets cannot be more than 12 feet (3.7 m). Options are provided for spray sprinklers or ESFR sprinklers at the ceiling level. Using the spray sprinklers the density would have to be 0.6 gpm/ft² (24.4 mm/min). Using the ESFR option the minimum operating pressure is 50 psi (3.4 bar) for ceilings up to 30 feet (9.1 m) and 75 psi (5.2 bar) for up to 35 feet (10.7 m). Another option is to use high expansion foam with a density of 0.3 gpm/ft² (12.2 mm/min). The entire room must be calculated for any of these options.

Where cutoff rooms are not used for storing the idle plastic pallets, there is another arrangement for keeping them indoors. Under this set of rules they can only be stored 4 feet (1.2 m) high. Sprinklers protecting these pallets must have high temperature ratings. In addition, it is required that piles of pallets be separated by a minimum of 8 feet (2.4 m) of empty space. If commodity is stored between the idle pallet piles, then 25 feet (7.6 m) is needed between the idle plastic pallet piles. This will keep the plastic pallets separated enough so that the fire can be controlled.

Summary

Plastic pallets present an increased fuel source for many commodities. Modification to the commodity classification may be needed. Also, the storage of plastic pallets has to be handled properly when they are not in use. Should pallets demonstrate similar fire hazard to wood pallets then commodities do not need to be modified and storage of the pallets would be handled under the idle would pallet criteria. In general, plastic pallets will equal more water for adequate fire protection.

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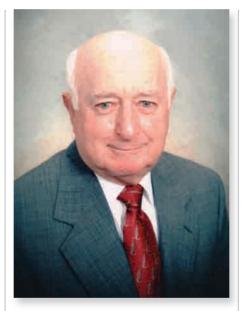


In Memorium

Following is a tribute to Fire Sprinkler Pioneer Harry Shaw who passed away March 2, 2012.

first met Harry when I was Chief Fire Marshal for Montgomery County, Maryland and he was an Associate Administrator with the National Fire Prevention and Control Administration, which was initially under the Department of Commerce. Later, when FEMA was formed, it was transferred to FEMA and the name was changed to the US Fire Administration, which we know it as today. Later, I had the distinct pleasure of working with him to deliver the Operation Life Safety program at the International Association of Fire Chiefs.

Harry served as Associate Administrator for approximately eight years between 1975 and 1983. The first edition of NFPA 13D had been published in May of 1975, but Chief's like Ronnie Coleman in San Clemente, California who were trying to use the new standard to sprinkler one and two-family homes were having trouble with cost effectiveness due to the water and pressure demands of the standard response sprinkler. This also frustrated Harry and that's when he went to work to help find a solution. I'd say he was personally responsible for securing federal funding for the initial phases of R&D, which led to the development of the fast response link. UL, FM and Grinnell also participated in the R&D phase. Tests series were subsequently funded and conducted in Los Angeles, California and Fort Lauderdale, Florida, which eventually led to the 1980 edition of NFPA 13D requiring fast response sprinklers in dwellings installations.



At that point the industry really stepped to the plate and Grinnell received the first listing for a fast response residential fire sprinkler from UL in June of 1981. Thereafter, in 1982, Central received a listing from UL for its Omega residential fire sprinkler.

So now there was a cost effective way to provide sprinkler protection in one and two-family dwelling and multi-family residential properties including hotels and motels and certain health care properties like nursing homes, but the nations Fire Chief's and AHJ's were not sufficiently aware of the advent of this technology. Again the US Fire Administration and Harry Shaw stepped up and along with the Marriott Corporation and support of the fire sprinkler industry Operation San Francisco was conceived. A massive series of test demonstrations was conducted in a condemned property in San Francisco, California and many AHJ's, including myself, were invited to witness the performance of the new fast response technology in concert with early warning smoke detection.

I can remember flying back from Operation San Francisco thinking, if I attempt to begin a program in Montgomery County, Maryland, which will eventually lead to the sprinklering of dwelling, where will I find technical and educational support and resources. Fortunately, again Harry Shaw and others like NFSA were already ahead of me and the Operation Life Safety program was instituted to provide technical and educational support to communities who were prepared to move ahead with ordinances that would require the sprinklering of selected dwelling properties. Many today are not aware of the fact that the first trust to fund OLS and match federal contributions was established at NFSA. Later the trust was transferred to IAFC and Harry Shaw was

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Jim Dalton retired as NFSA's Director of Public Fire Protection in 2009.

Jim Dalton

brought in as the first Director of this land mark program.

While Director of OLS Harry was also instrumental in the acceptance of plastic pipe in the standard and along with Chiefs like David Hilton in Cobb County, Georgia and others, used what was then known as the Florida Affordable Sprinkler Standard to sprinkler four story multi-family properties, which eventually became adopted as NFPA 13R.

After leaving Montgomery County, Maryland and spending 18 months helping the US Fire Administration introduce a major national fire prevention program, I plugged in with Harry and OLS/IAFC to develop and deliver the first national workshop series on the subject of residential sprinklers. Subsequently, we worked with many of the early communities who were moving ahead with requirements for the sprinklering of dwellings like Scottsdale, Arizona, Cobb County, Georgia, Napa, California, Prince Georges

County, Maryland, Dover, New Hampshire and Altamonte Springs, Florida. Working hand and hand with Harry and folks like NFSA, we developed and delivered several key documents like "Residential Sprinkler Installations to Insure Reliability" and the original "Step by Step Guide" for communities. In addition we brain stormed the original list of development alternatives that were eventually written into the early ordinances by the communities listed above in order to balance some of the economic concerns. The list included reducing street width, reducing fire main size, extending fire hydrant spacing, reducing set back requirements, increasing tract density and the rethinking of how to handle dead end cul-de-sacs and provide alternatives for turning radiuses for fire apparatus. We also conceived the initial ignition to intervention time line that was later improved upon and mass-distributed by Tom Lia and NIFSAB and which today appears in Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition literature and other important documents and visuals.

In addition, Harry was the first person to meet with representatives of the insurance industry to suggest reductions in policy premiums for the inclusion of residential fire sprinklers. This led to the Allstate Foundation giving us a grant to pay for development and delivery of the documents mentioned above. Lastly, Harry was very instrumental in the manufactured home tests that we conducted in Georgetown, South Carolina.

I know of no one who has contributed more to the advent of the fire sprinkler concepts we routinely apply today in the sprinklering of residential and other similar properties. No doubt, at the time, some were quite controversial, but all eventually led to the present economic stability of the fire sprinkler industry and more importantly, the protection of families and communities from the ravages of hostile fire.

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Fire Sprinkler Incentive Act Gains Momentum in Wake of Tragedy

Huntington, New York Representative Steve Israel is calling on Congress to pass legislation to incentivize property owners to install automatic fire sprinklers in older buildings and improve fire safety. The Fitzsimons Family of Commack who lost their 21 year-old daughter Kerry this past January in a house fire at the off-campus house she lived in at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, New York are actively supporting the bill.

The Fire Sprinkler Incentive Act puts the installation of fire sprinklers in older residential or commercial buildings in the same category as other capital improvements by either making them eligible for section 179 expensing or decreasing the current depreciation schedule for such improvements on high rise buildings from 39 to 15 years. This means that small and medium sized businesses will be able to fully expense the cost of a sprinkler retrofit for structures as large as 50,000 square feet.

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At 6:58 a.m. on Friday February 3, 2012, the Fire Department of Montgomery Township, along with Horsham, Hilltown, North Penn and Wissahickon Fire Companies, the Volunteer Medical Service Corps of Lansdale and the Montgomery Township Police Department were dispatched to 171 Commerce Dr. for a reported building fire. The first arriving fire officer reported a fire in the cardboard box bailer with heavy smoke throughout the building. A single sprinkler head located inside the bailer controlled and contained the fire until crews were able to remove all the cardboard from the bailer and complete final extinguishment. The fire was placed under control in less than 45 minutes. Crews remained on scene for 1 hr. and 15 min after the fire was placed under control performing salvage and overhaul operations. Damage was contained to the bailer and the business was able to remain open for business.

Sprinkler Save in College Park, Maryland

On February 4th at 2:30 p.m. the Prince Georges County Fire Department was alerted to a fire at a seven-story assisted living apartment building. Police officers were working in the College Park area and noticed heavy black smoke emitting from a 6th floor window of the building. After notifying the fire department, the police officers entered the building and made their way to the sixth floor banging on doors to alert residents of the fire because the building's audible alarm failed to operate. When firefighters arrived, they found the building's automatic fire sprinkler system had the fire in check, leaving just a few hot spots for the firefighters to extinguish.

Evacuating a building of this size with assisted living residents is difficult; however, the automatic sprinkler system allowed most residents to remain in their apartments. About 50 residents were evacuated to the lobby and community room until allowed to return to their apartments by the fire department around 3:15 p.m. There were no injuries to residents.

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SOUTHEAST REGION

WAYNE WAGGONER

Associate Director of Regional Operations - South



Fire Guts Condominiums in Knox County, Tennessee

Seven families

were displaced from their homes on March 8th, 2012 after a fire tore through an apartment building in Knox County, Tennessee.

The fire spread quickly and destroyed the entire building. Firefighters were quick to point out that this is a recurring theme for old apartments without sprinkler systems.

"The biggest point right here is if this building had a fire sprinkler it would have been out. We wouldn't have had this happen," said Rural/Metro Battalion Chief Jeff Devlin. "These old apartment buildings are lightly built and they burn fast. There still would have been damage, but a sprinkler system could have contained it so that we don't have people running through flames with an infant just a few moments from being unable to survive."

Knox County's building code requires all newly constructed multi-family dwellings to include fire sprinkler systems. That rule took effect in 2006. All structures built prior to 2006 are grandfathered and not required to retrofit units with sprinklers.

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FLORIDA & PUERTO RICO

LORRELL BUSH

Regional Manager



Florida 2012 Legislative Sessions Officially Over On March 9, 2012 the 2012 Florida

Legislative session officially came to an end. The session ended at the last point that time allowed in accordance with the constitution. Hot topic bills that were being monitored include the following:

Immigration Bill filed again this year If this bill passed it would have been
considered a fraud to hire an illegal alien
even if they showed documentation that
you could not prove was fraudulent.

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Writers of the bill are pushing for E-Verify method of tracking aliens. Bill did not go anywhere but is expected to be brought back up next year.

- Senate Bill 704 Building Code Passed the Legislature and was signed by both the House and Senate Leadership, on its way to the Governor's office for final approval. This bill will allow electronic filing on building and fire.
- Metal Theft Bill passed with language changed making metal theft a second degree felony. Hopefully this will deter those who are guilty of these thefts.
- Unemployment Compensation Bill Florida borrowed federal money when the economy tanked and has to pay money back. Originally Florida was to pay back the federal government at up to \$459.00 per employee. The final result was better, saving \$50.00 - \$75.00 per employee.
- Lien Law Passed (HB897/SB1202) Reporting forms changed. Takes effect around October 2012. Information will be offered on how this affects our industry in upcoming Area Interest Meetings.
- Doctor Dispensed Drugs This bill was to stop doctors from dispensing drugs with mark-ups of up to 500%, far above the prices that you could get at a local pharmacy.

Over three million dollars went into lobbying efforts and as a result it did not pass, causing workers compensation to go up 2.5 - 3 %.

We in Florida are very fortunate to have NFSA Vice President of Operations Buddy Dewar in Tallahassee watching out for our industry. Please go to the Florida Fire Sprinkler Association website at www.floridafiresprinkler.com and watch YouTube updates during legislative sessions from Buddy Dewar. The final report is posted on the website. Watch it, stay up to date and learn what you can do to help.

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GREAT LAKES REGION

RON BROWN Regional Manager

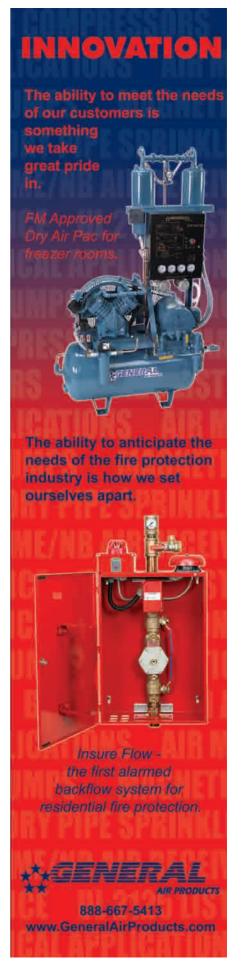


Ohio Board
Of Building
Standards
Takes Action to
Adopt RCAC
Recommendation

At the Ohio Board of Building Standards (BBS) meeting held January 27, 2012, the Board accepted the recommendation of the Residential Construction Advisory Committee (RCAC) by a unanimous voice vote. With the action taken at the meeting, the Board has adopted the residential construction code that the RCAC has been working on for nearly three years. The RCAC used the IRC 2009 as the base code but amended the residential fire sprinkler requirement out of their final recommendation. As a result of the work on the code taking so long, the language from the IRC 2012 that requires drywall attached to the underside of engineered structural members, or floor joists 2' x 6' and smaller, was included in the code recommended to the BBS. Great Lakes Regional Manager Ron Brown has sent a letter in opposition to removing the fire sprinkler requirements of the IBC. Because there are yet several more steps in the adoption process, it is still not likely the code will be applicable and enforceable until late 2012 or early 2013.

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NORTH CENTRAL REGION

BOB KLEINHEINZ Regional Manager



Help Pass the Life Safety Code in Illinois

The Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal has

made a request to Illinois Fire Chiefs and Inspectors to ask all members for support in adopting the Life Safety Code. Please contact the Governor's Office, the members of the Joint Commission on Administrative Rules, and your local legislators to voice your support for the efforts of the Office of the State Fire Marshal to update the state fire code with the inclusion of residential sprinklers in new construction.

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SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

CHRIS GAUT Regional Manager



Iowa Legislation House File 2233 -Introduced Feb 6, 2012 and referred to Local Govern-

ment. H.J. 209. -

An Act relating to permissible charges imposed by a public utility furnishing water to a city in connection with the installation and maintenance of fire sprinkler systems.

Oklahoma Legislation

HB2659 - HB 2659, as introduced, requires bill permit fees to be remitted to the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission 30 days after the end of the preceding calendar month. The Commission is authorized to charge a one percent per month late fee and must report its collections, past-due charges, late-fee assessments and late-fee collections semiannually to the Governor, Speaker of the House, and President Pro Tempore of the Senate

Added Amendment by Rep. Jordan - D. "Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no municipality or other political subdivision shall require the installation of an automatic residential fire sprinkler system in one- and two-family dwellings."

This bill has passed the House and is waiting a committee hearing in the Senate

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GREAT PLAINS REGION

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Regional Manager



Fire Sprinkler Save in Greeley, Colorado

On March 25th firefighters from the Greeley Fire

Department in Colorado responded to a fire alarm at a local auto dealership. When they arrived, responding fire crews found the fire alarm system activated and no signs of fire from the outside of the building. Upon gaining access to the business, which was closed and unoccupied, fire crews began searching the building and

discovered a smoke smell coming from the "wash bay" area. The fire sprinkler system had activated and had extinguished a fire in an electric vehicle. Fire crews closed the sprinkler valve to stop the water flow and began opening doors to ventilate the smoke from the building. It was determined that a fire had started in an electric vehicle which generated enough heat to activate 2 fire sprinkler heads above the vehicle that ultimately extinguished the fire. The exact cause of the vehicle fire remains under investigation and total damage is estimated at \$7,000 (\$2,000 property damage and \$5,000 contents damage in the fire area). No injuries were reported.

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SOUTHWEST REGION

BRUCE LECAIR Regional Manager



Sprinkler Save in Novato, California

Battalion Chief Gerald McCarthy of the Novato,

California Fire Department is crediting a fire sprinkler system in helping to prevent the spread of a fire that began in an equipment room at the Rolling Hills Health Club in Novato. California on March 8th.

Firefighters were alerted to the fire and advised that dark smoke was coming out from an equipment room located near a community swimming pool. The equipment room is a detached outbuilding that has a fire sprinkler system.

Upon arrival, firefighters found that the fire started in the large industrial heating unit in the equipment room. The fire charred the exposed rafters above the heating unit. One fire sprinkler located directly above the heating unit activated and controlled the fire, preventing further spread of heat and flames.

Rolling Hills Club General Manager Jim

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Gerber said the damage was minimal and praised the fire sprinkler system for doing its job.

Chief McCarthy said, "This is a great reminder about the importance of fire sprinklers because it enabled the business to remain open and unaffected with little damage."

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NORTHWEST REGION

SUZANNE MAYR

Regional Manager



FireTeam USA in Washington State

Fire Team USA brought its message of the im-

portance of community involvement in the residential fire sprinkler discussion to the Northwest in March. More than 50 members of the fire service, building officials, sprinkler contractors, city council members and the public attended the events held in Snohomish and Clark counties.

NFSA's Vickie Pritchett shared her experiences during unprecedented housing growth in her rural Tennessee community. Collaboration led to home fire sprinkler requirements in the vibrant new home developments. Vickie shared strategies for successfully involving all stakeholders in the issue.

Vickie also introduced the participants to the many resources available to edu-

cate and promote discussion. The stories of fire victims shared through the Common Voices videos emphasized the lifesaving value of residential fire sprinklers.

Participants in the Fire Team USA event enjoyed the hospitality of Snohomish Fire District 1.

Jeff Hudson, NFPA's Resident Fire Sprinkler Specialist, addressed the often overlooked role of fire sprinklers in fire-fighter safety. As a fire chief, Jeff saw first-hand how fire sprinklers would have made a difference in citizen's chances of escaping a fire, but also in limiting unnecessary risks for first responders.

Both sessions ended with a side-by-side burn demonstration, watching the difference in what happens during a fire in a typical unsprinkled living room versus a fire that occurs when a sprinkler is installed. In both demos, the unsprinklered fire moved to flashover within minutes, while the sprinklered fire was extinguished with minimal damage.

In Clark County, a toy dollhouse in the unsprinklered side melted into an unrecognizable charred mess, while the dollhouse on the sprinklered side was undamaged.

All participants were encouraged to get involved in the very active Washington State Residential Fire Sprinkler Coalition.

Special thanks to the event sponsors, Western States Fire Protection Co. and the Fire Sprinkler Advisory Board of Puget Sound, and to our event hosts, Snohomish County Fire District One and Clark County Fire and Rescue.

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SPRINKLING OF NEWS

■ Fire Protection System Solutions Rebranded

Conbraco Industries, Inc. introduces the most recent addition to its Apollo® brand: Apollo® Fire Protection System Solutions (FPSS). The fire protection fittings were previously sold through Elkhart Products Corporation. Both Conbraco Industries, Inc. and Elkhart Products Corporation are Aalberts Industries companies.

This rebranding strategy will capitalize on the well recognized Apollo® brand, adding to their wide range of UL/FM approved products. Currently, Apollo® offers backflow prevention products, pressure reducing valves and pressure relief valves. Combining all these products under the Apollo® FPSS brand will increase the service levels of all fire protection products to the industry, providing the high quality products, exceptional sales support and on-time delivery customers have come to expect.

At the heart of the Apollo® Fire Protection System Solutions are the Xpress galvanized and stainless steel piping systems. The Xpress fittings are a labor saving, high quality addition to traditional threaded pipe and fittings. These press fittings are ideal for both new construction and retrofit projects such as hospitals, hotels, schools, food and beverage facilities, or any other buildings with complex fire sprinkler layouts.

■ South-Tek Systems Launches N2-BLAST®

South-Tek Systems has recently launched the N2-Blast®, a compact system that generates and introduces high purity, corrosion inhibiting, Nitrogen (N2) into dry and preaction Fire Protection Systems (FPS).

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To learn more about the N2-Blast® - Corrosion Inhibiting System or South-Tek Systems, please visit: http://www.south-teksystems.com/n2-blast.asp or www. n2blast.com.

■ Viking Announces Clean Agent Systems

With the introduction of its new VK-1230 clean agent system, Viking Corporation has extended its portfolio of fire protection systems to include waterless suppression technology. The VK-1230 system, which is cULus Listed and FM Approved, is designed to protect even the most sensitive environments, including hospitals, server rooms, data centers, security command areas, telecommunications equipment, museums, libraries, and other properties where the potential for water damage is a concern. Using 3M® Corporation's revolutionary NovecTM 1230 extinguishing agent, the VK-1230 system from Viking provides effective, highly specialized protection while leaving valuable electronics and other critical assets unaffected.

When early warning detection systems are employed, such as the HELIOS aspirating smoke detector from Minimax, the VK-1230 clean agent system can provide very early suppression of a fire in its precombustion stage. After discharge, the Novec 1230 extinguishing agent will not damage electronics and leaves behind no residue, which dramatically reduces clean-up and minimizes downtime of critical IT infrastructure. Novec 1230 also

has a higher safety margin compared to other extinguishing agents, making it safer for people working in the protected area. Furthermore, with its low toxicity, zero ozone depletion potential, short atmospheric lifetime, and minimal global warming potential, Novec 1230 is safe for the environment and a long-term, sustainable alternative to Halons.

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Viking's technical services team will provide system layouts to installing contractors including detailed assistance with project quotations, clean agent calculations, and technical support. Viking also supplies the initial filling of tanks at its Listed clean agent filling center in Hastings, Michigan. The new VK-1230 systems are supported by Viking SupplyNet's network of 32 service centers in North America and over 50 worldwide.

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

New 'Sprinkler Saves' Blog Promotes Importance of Fire Sprinkler Systems

Viking Group is pleased to introduce its new 'Sprinkler Saves' blog. Every day, fire sprinklers are working to save lives and property from the devastating effects of fire. The purpose of the 'Sprinkler Saves' blog is to keep a running documentation of successful fire sprinkler system activations as reported in the media. Select sprinkler successes from throughout North America are posted daily to the blog.



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TO JOANNE GENADIO:

The University of Rochester had a sprinkler save that I thought should be recognized. On February 19, 2012 at 2:30AM our Security department revived a fire alarm in Valentine Tower, a high rise residence hall tower which had a sprinkler system installed retroactively in the summer of 2007. An occupant on the seventh floor burnt some food and deposited it the trash chute. The material caught on fire, activating the sprinkler system in the trash chute which contained the fire until the fire department arrived and extinguished the fire. The fire was contained to the trash chute with no extension. The facility was evacuated when the building fire alarm system activated. There were no injuries or loss of housing. This is a perfect example of why retrofitting sprinklers is so important. A late night fire in student housing is a recipe for disaster, and this incident doesn't even make a headline!

Mark Cavanaugh, CFPS, CHSP Director/Fire Marshal/Chief Safety Officer Environmental Health & Safety Rochester, NY

TO BOB TREIBER:

Bob.

I want to thank you and the NFSA for accepting the invitation to present to the group of registered inspectors this week. (I think there were nearly 50 in attendance!) This group represented a wide cross section of inspectors that work directly for the State BCC as well as local jurisdictions. Most were not aware of potential for sprinkler system failures due to lack of ITM.

I overheard many in the corridors during break who were discussing the material in your presentation. Simply put this group was a bit under informed on the topic, which is no longer the case. You made a real impact here!!! We as contractors have been seeing the fruits of your labor and that of your fellow trainers. We have seen interest in sprinkler system maintenance where we did not 5 years ago. You are having a tangible impact on owners and AHJs.

Thank you once again for coming up to Wolverine territory I know that can't be easy.

Sincerely, Robert JagenbergChair -Michigan Board of Mechanical Rules Michigan - Construction Code Commissioner Project Manager - Fire Protection - NICET IV #82494 John E. Green Company Highland Park, MI

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klersaves.blogspot.com/ or scan the QR Code below. The blog format is quick and easy to read. There is a concise headline, including the location of the save, and a brief one or two line description. Readers can click through to the media coverage for additional details.

The sprinkler success stories published to the blog are also tweeted from Viking's Twitter page, @Vikinggroup (https://twitter.com/#!/vikinggroup), with the hash tag #SprinklerSaves. Viking advocates using the #SprinklerSaves hash tag for all successful sprinkler activations, which will help draw more attention to the life-saving

benefits of automatic fire sprinklers.

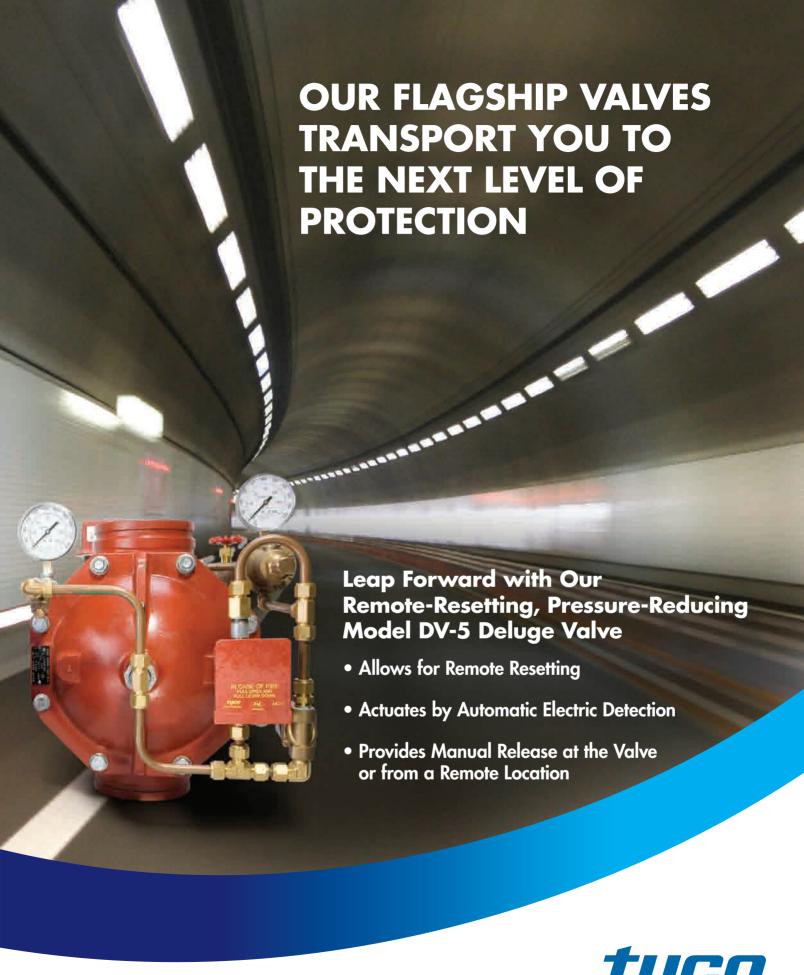
Smart phone users can download any number of free apps for scanning these codes (such as ScanLife®). After launching the app you will be prompted to scan the code and will be automatically directed to the 'Sprinkler Saves' blog.

BuildingReports Expands International Footprint With New Latin American Company

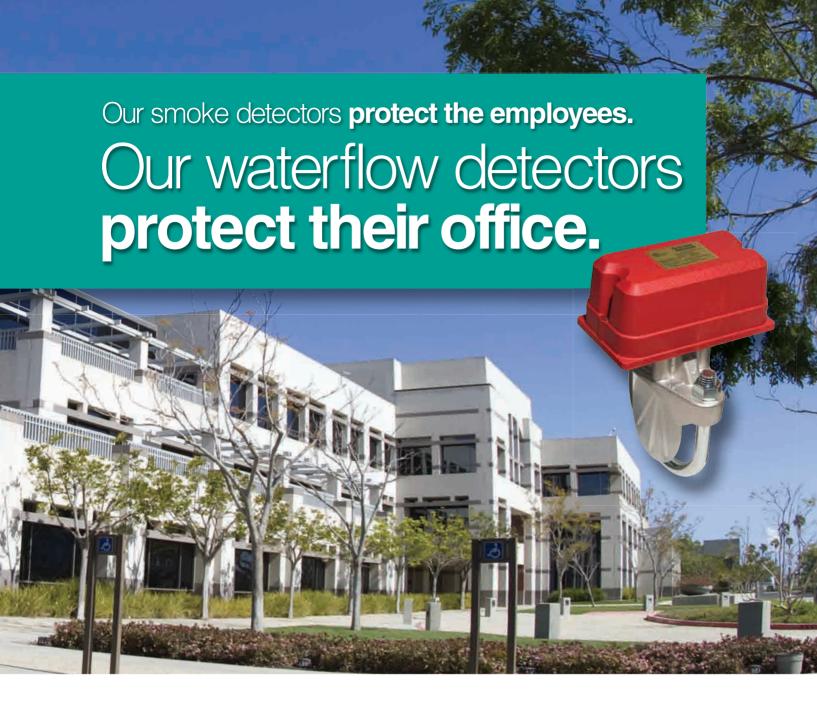
BuildingReports is pleased to announce the addition of their new international company BuildingReports Latin America, S.R.L. The new company expands BuildingReports' current international footprint with existing members in North America, South America, Europe and the Middle East, supporting its aggressive international growth plans.

BuildingReports Latin America, S.R.L. will be able to service both Spanish and English speaking members' technical support and training needs through Member Services Manager, Christian Andersen.

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