

# FCIA DIIM The “I & I”

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# Learning Objectives

**Upon completing this program, the participant should know how to:**

- 1. Recognize Perimeter Fire Containment, Penetration, Joint Product Design/Testing, “**Installation & Inspection**”, Management Standards & Code Requirements for Firestopping ... to become a ‘System’.**
- 2. Focus on Perimeter Fire Containment for Curtainwalls**
- 3. Understand Requirements for Firestopping for Safety in the US and Canada**
- 4. Section 07 84 00++ Highlights**
- 5. Learn about ‘Why compartmentation and Firestopping’.**

# Outline

- FCIA – A Trade Association
  - Total Fire Protection & Effective Compartmentation
  - Codes, Testing, Products - Materials
  - Firestopping for Safety – A Quality Protocol
    - DIIM

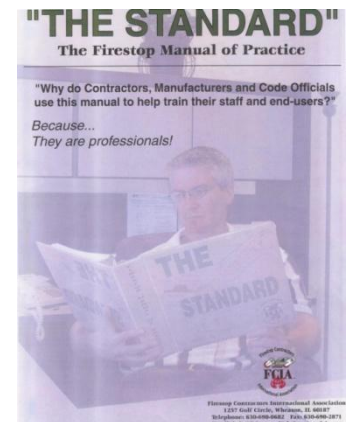
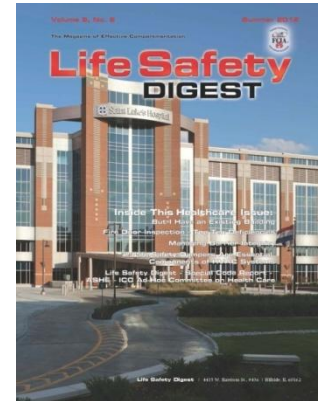


# “DIIM”

- Firestopping for Safety – DIIM
  - Properly *Designed* and Specified Firestopping FCIA - 07-84-00 - Specification
  - *Tested and Listed Systems* - ASTM E 814 / UL 1479 - UL 2079, ULC-S-115, ASTM E2307
  - Professional *Installation* – FCIA Member, FM 4991 Approved, UL/ULC Qualified Contractors
  - Properly *Inspected* - ASTM E 2174 / 2393 Protocol ... by IAS AC 291 Accreditation Criteria for Inspection Agencies
  - *Maintained* - Annually - FCIA Members – NFPA 101, International Fire Code.

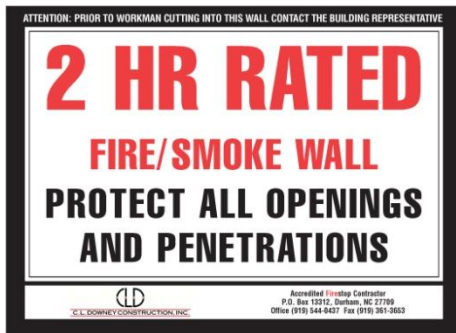
# Firestop Contractors International Association

- FCIA – Worldwide Association
- Firestop Contractors, Manufacturers, Consultants, Reps, Distributors,
- Life Safety Digest
- FCIA Website Resources - FREE
- FCIA MOP on PDF FREE to Specifiers, Architects, Governmental Bldg./Fire Officials, worldwide..  
– [www.fcia.org](http://www.fcia.org)



# “TOTAL FIRE PROTECTION”

- Effective Compartmentation
  - Fire Barriers, Fire Walls/Floors, Smoke Barriers
  - Firestopping, Fire Dampers, Swinging and Rolling Fire Doors, Fire Rated Glazing
- Detection & Alarm Systems
- Sprinkler Suppression Systems
- Education & Egress—
  - Building Owners & Managers, Building Occupants and Firefighters



# “DCIIM”

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# Building & Fire Code Requirements

- NFPA 5000 – 101- Chapter 8
- National Building Code – Canada
- UAE Fire and Life Safety Code – Chapter
- International Codes –
  - New and Existing Buildings International Building Code – Chapter 7
  - International Fire Code – Chapter 7
- *Minimum requirements - Construction*



# Building & Fire Code Requirements

- Compartmentation Codes – US –
  - **Fire Resistance** – Time, in minutes or hours that materials or assemblies have withstood a fire exposure as determined by tests, methods based on tests, or this code .... NFPA, Ch 8. **ICC adds... “Systems”**
    - *Ch. 8 – NFPA – ASTM E 119, UL 263, NFPA 220*
    - **Ch. 7 – IBC - Fire Barrier** – Hourly Rated – IBC
    - **Ch. 7 IBC - Fire Wall** – Fire rating, structural independence
    - **Ch. 8 NFPA – NFPA 221 – High Challenge Fire Walls**
    - **IBC – Fire Partition** – Rated, not continuous.

# Building & Fire Code Requirements

- Compartmentation Codes – US
  - **Smoke Barrier – Firestopping for Continuity**
    - **IBC** – Hourly Rated, “L” Rating
      - <5cfm/sf (IBC 2006)
      - < 50 cfm, 100sf of Wall Area (IBC 2009)
    - **NFPA** – ... ‘restricting the passage of smoke...’  
**no quantified “L” Rating ... YET**
      - Continuous, Barrier to Barrier, ... through concealed spaces,
      - Not always fire resistance rated.
  - **Smoke Partition**
    - IBC – Continuous barrier, not rated...’retard’.
    - NFPA – Continuous membrane that is designed to form a barrier to *limit the transfer of smoke*....

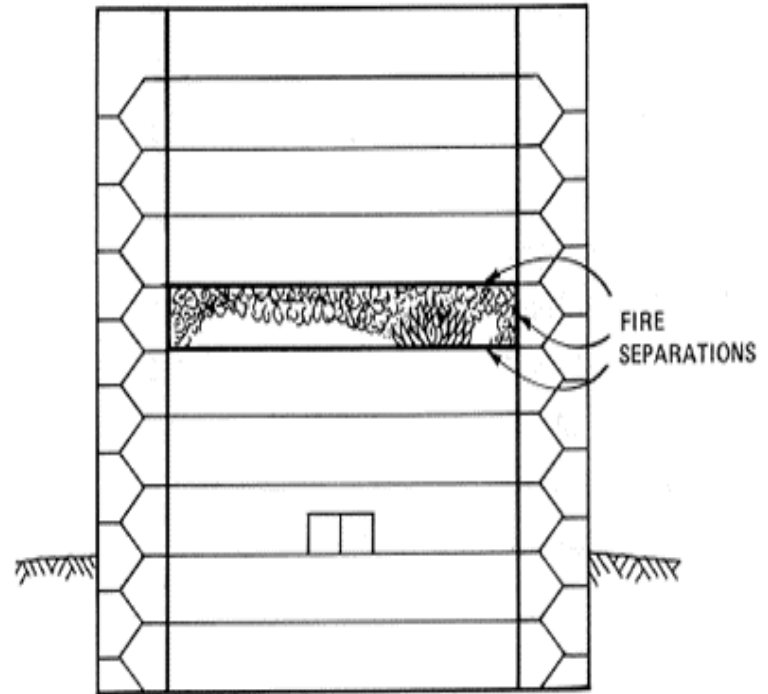
# Building & Fire Code Requirements

- *Chemical, Biological, Radiation, Explosion, etc.*
  - Standards?
    - R - Nuclear Power Plant Standards
    - E – Blast Strength? Check with manufacturer – 2psf
    - C – Which Chemicals? Check with manufacturer
    - B – Which Agents? Check with manufacturer
    - G – Germ – Check with mfr. & industrial hygienist
  - How to Regulate for Unexpected Events?
  - Due Diligence - Review Required by code?

# Fire Resistance Continuity

## All Occupancies

- Effective Compartmentation
  - Education
  - Office
  - Mercantile
  - Multi Family Residential
  - Industrial – Insurance influences
  - Institutional – Healthcare



# Buildings are Safe Because....

- *Total Fire Protection Stats -  
North America High Rise*
  - *11,025 Tall Buildings - 20 + stories*
  - *70% in NY, SF, LA, CHI, HI, Toronto...*
    - *2/3 Canada's high rise built before 1985*
- = Compartmentation Primary in Older Structures*
- *Chicago, NY, Toronto – Older stock of buildings*
  - *SF, LA, HON – Earthquakes*

» *Source, Emporis.com*



# Buildings are Safe Because....

- *Total Fire Protection*  
= *Safer buildings...*
- *Compartmentation*
- *Sprinklers, Alarms,*
- *Egress Strategies*
- *NIST Reports...*



# Buildings are Safe Because....

- **National Institute of Standards & Technology**  
**‘NIST Reports - World Trade Center 7 –**
- **Chapter 4.6, 'Factors that could have mitigated structural collapse'**
  - *“...improved compartmentation in tenant areas to limit the spread of fires”*
- *‘But first...DIIM’*





# Continuity – Barriers, Walls & Horizontal Assemblies

- Fire Walls and Floors –

- *Continuous Fire Resistance Rated Assemblies*

- Concrete
    - Concrete Block
    - Plaster
    - Gypsum Block
    - Gypsum Board / ‘Drywall’
    - Floor/Ceiling Assemblies
    - Firestop Systems

***“Tested & Listed Wall/Floor Systems”***



# Continuity

## Effective Compartmentation Features

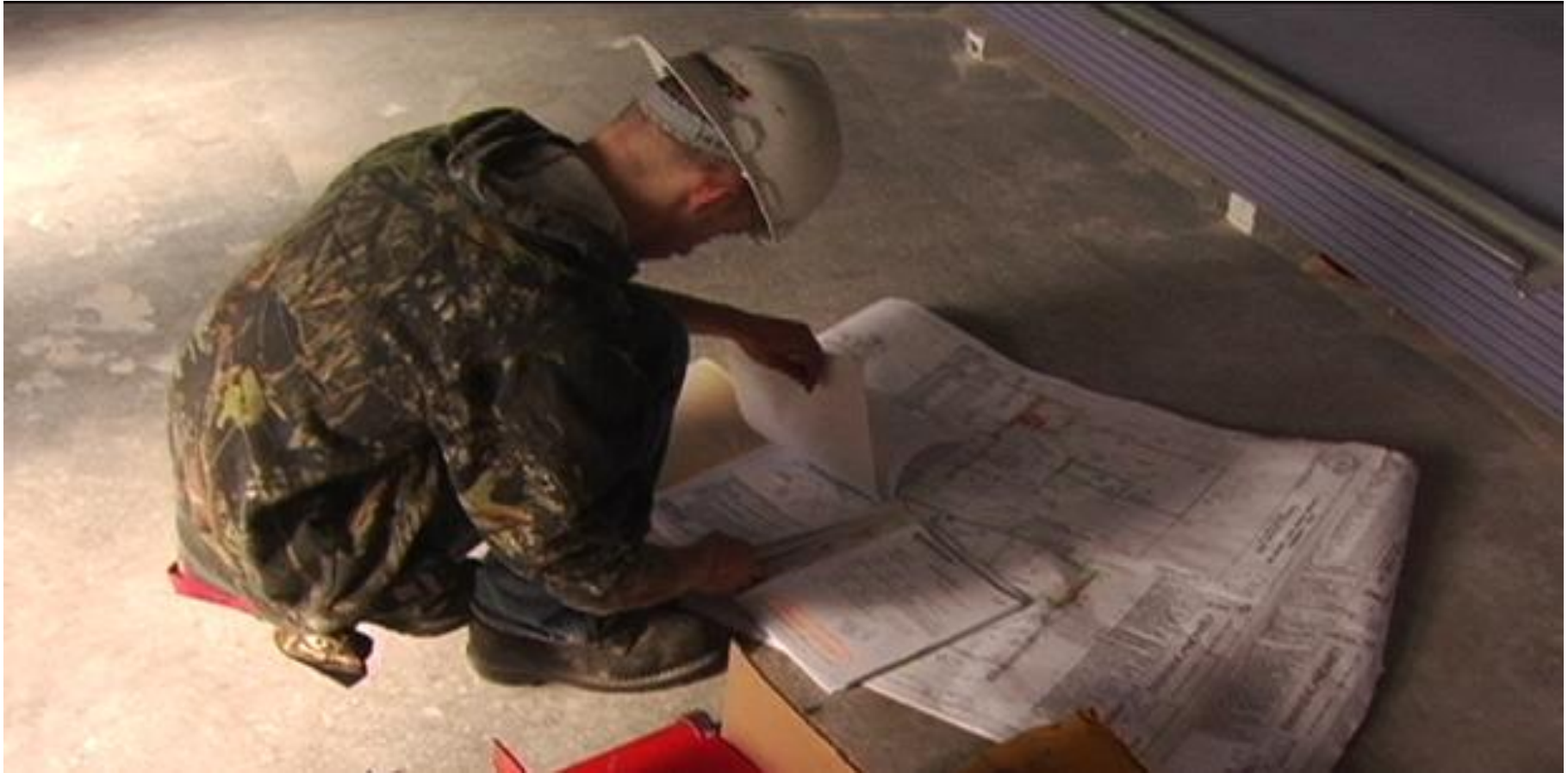


New UL test standards for Life Safety  
Dampers will take effect in July 2002



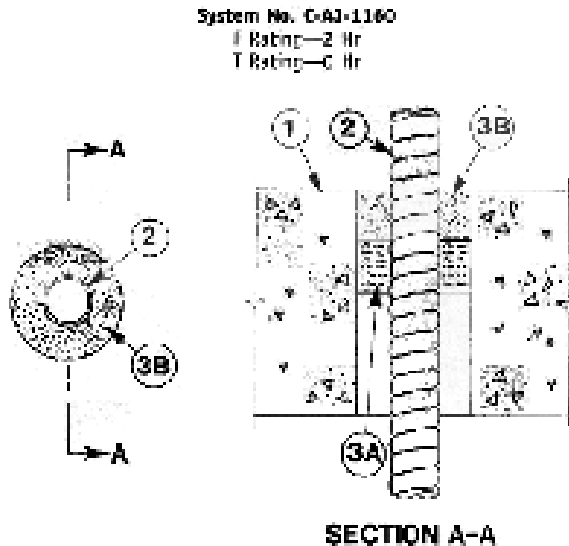
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## I – Listed Systems



# Firestopping for Continuity

## I – Classified Systems

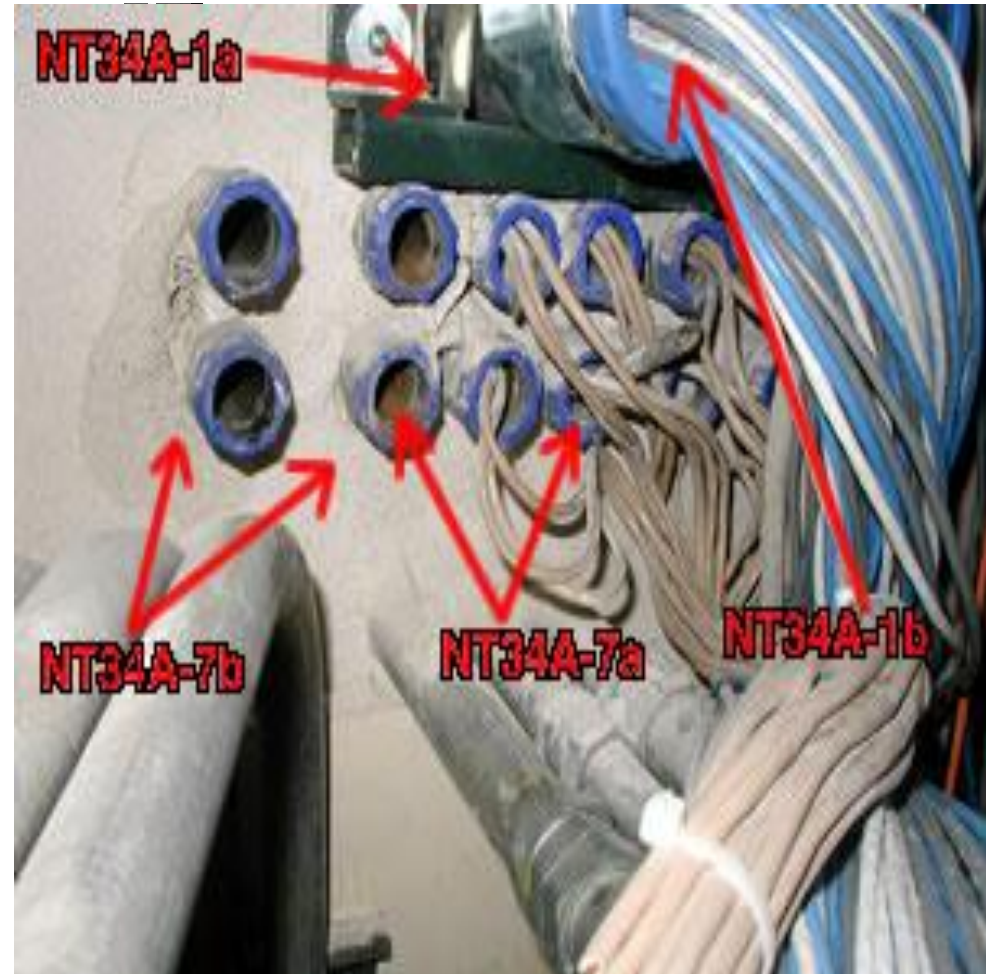


1. Floor or Wall Assembly—Min. 4-1/2 in. thick lightweight or normal weight 1500 to 1800 pcf concrete. Wall may also be constructed of any UL Classified Concrete Block\*. Blank of circular through opening in floor or wall assembly to be 1/8 in. to 1-1/2 in. larger than diam of flexible metal conduit (item 2) installed in through opening. Max diam of opening is 6 in. See Concrete Block (CAB) category in the Fire Resistance Directory for names of manufacturers.
2. Through Penetrating Product\*\*—Max 4 in. diam (or smaller) steel or non 3/4 in. diam (or smaller) aluminum Flexible Metal Conduits. Non-ferrous flexible metal conduit to be installed near center of circular through opening in floor or wall assembly. Flexible metal conduit to be rigidly supported on both sides of floor or wall assembly. Alliance Cable Corp.
3. Packing Material—Min 1 in. thickness of ceramic (polymeric slugs) fiber blanket or mineral wool batt insulation firmly pushed into opening as a permanent form. Packing material to be removed min. 1 in. from top surface of floor or from both surfaces of wall.
4. FILL Void or Cavity Material\*—Caulk—Applied to fill the annular space around the flexible metal conduit. In floors, a min 3 in. depth of fill material to be installed flush with top surface of floor. In walls, a min 1 in. depth of fill material to be installed flush with wall surface on both sides of wall assembly.

Minnesota Mining & Mfg. Co.—TF 2500N

\*Bearing the UL Classification Marking

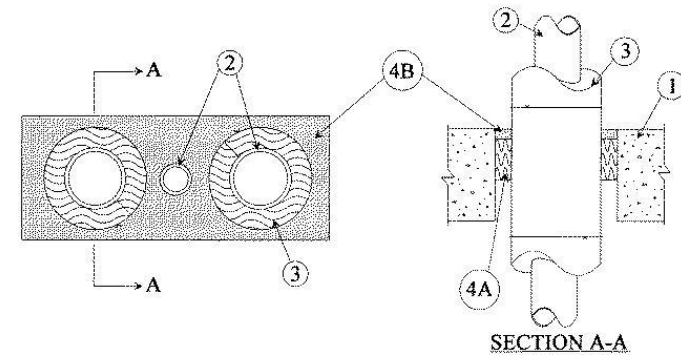
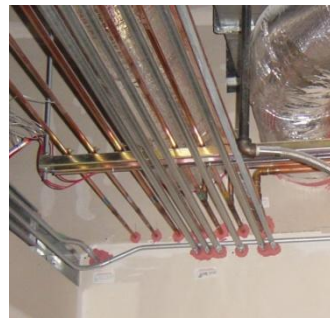
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# Firestopping for Continuity

- **Firestop Products Become Firestop Systems --**
  - “A Specific field erected construction, consisting of an assemblage of materials to prevent the spread of fire through openings in fire rated walls and floors using ASTM E 814 / UL 1479, ULC-S-115, UL 2079, **E-2307** as the test method...”
  - **Testing = Suitability statement for use of a firestop product in a specific system application**



# Firestopping for Continuity

## Firestop Products

- **Sealants**
  - Silicone, Latex, Intumescent
- **Wrap Strips**
  - “Thick, Thin, Wide, Less Wide”
- **Putties**
- **Pillows**
- **Composite Sheets**
- **Bricks / Plugs**
- **Pre Fabricated Kits**
- **Mortar**
- **Spray Products**

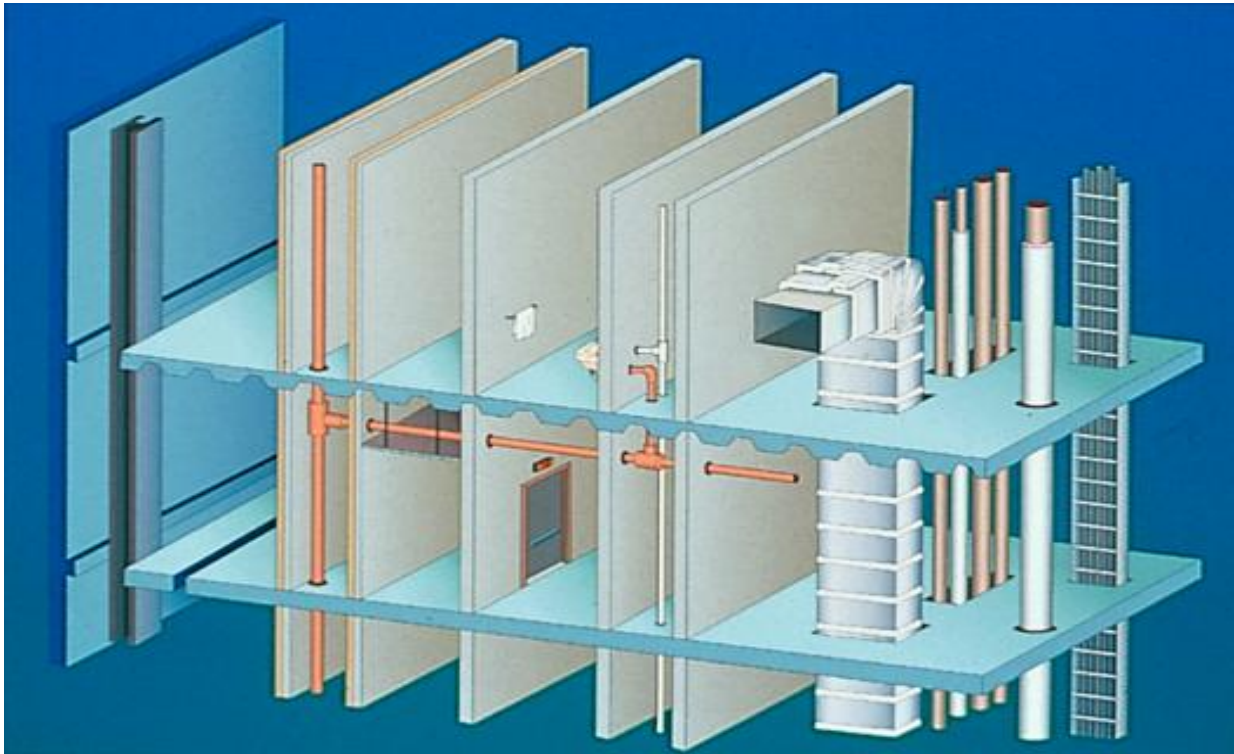


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# D- Design

## SYSTEMS SELECTION

Who's Responsible, How to Choose???



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# Firestopping for Continuity

## Products become Systems

- What are Firestop *Systems*?
- ‘Field Erected Construction...Tested to...’
  - Standards - ASTM E814/UL 1479–UL 2079, ASTM E 1966, ASTM E 2307, ULC S-115
  - **F Rating - Flame**
  - T Rating – Temperature
  - H Rating – Hose
  - **L Rating – Smoke**
  - **W Rating – Water**



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# Products become Systems

## Hose Stream = Shock Test

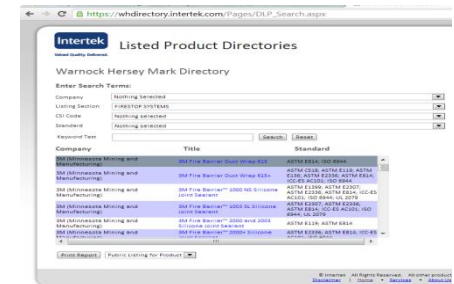


# Firestopping for Continuity

## Products become Systems

- **Firestop Systems Directories –**
  - UL
  - Intertek
  - FM Approvals

*Systems Selection & Analysis...Not as easy as it looks...*



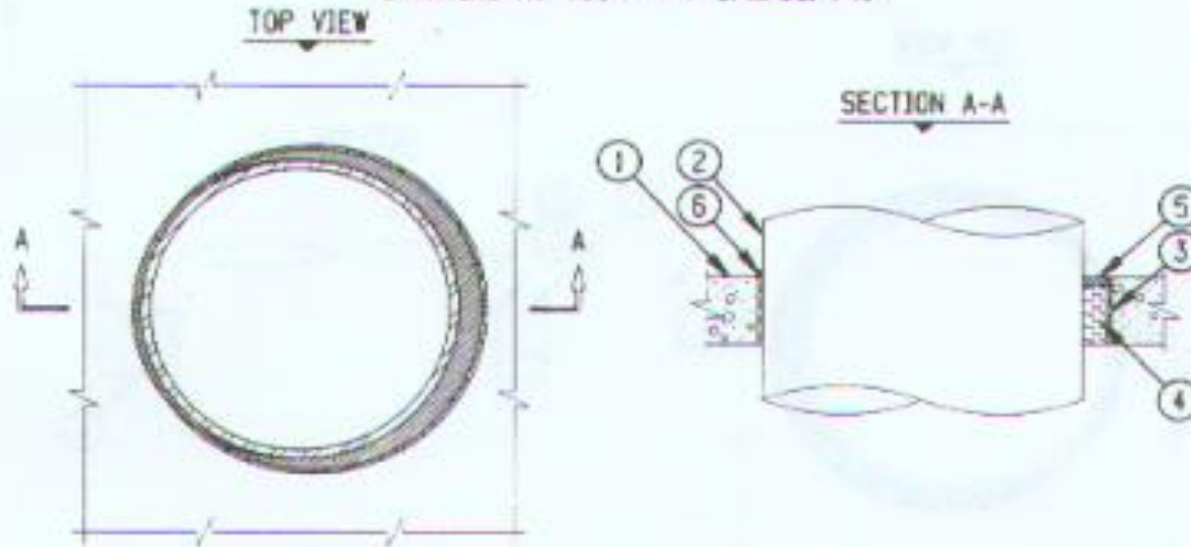
**U.L. SYSTEM NO. CAJ1155**  
**METAL PIPE THROUGH A SLEEVE IN CONCRETE FLOOR OR WALL**

F RATING = 3-HR.

T RATING = 0-HR.

L RATING AT AMBIENT = LESS THAN 1 CFM/SQ. FT.

L RATING AT 400°F = 4 CFM/SQ. FT.

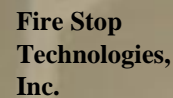
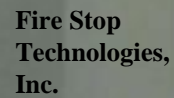


1. FLOOR OR WALL ASSEMBLY :
  - A. MINIMUM 4-1/2" THICK LIGHTWEIGHT OR NORMAL WEIGHT CONCRETE FLOOR.
  - B. U.L. CLASSIFIED CONCRETE BLOCK WALL (MINIMUM 8" BLOCK).
2. PENETRATING ITEM TO BE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING :
  - A. MAXIMUM 20" DIAMETER STEEL PIPE.
  - B. MAXIMUM 6" DIAMETER COPPER PIPE.
  - C. MAXIMUM 6" DIAMETER STEEL CONDUIT.
  - D. MAXIMUM 4" DIAMETER EMT.
3. OPTIONAL : MAXIMUM 22" DIAMETER STEEL PIPE SLEEVE (SCHEDULE 10 OR HEAVIER).
4. MINIMUM 4" THICKNESS MINERAL WOOL (MIN. 4 PCF DENSITY) RECESSED 1/2" FROM TOP OF SLEEVE.
5. MINIMUM 1/2" DEPTH HILTI FS-ONE FIRESTOP SEALANT.
6. A GENEROUS BEAD OF HILTI FS-ONE FIRESTOP SEALANT AROUND OUTER PERIMETER OF STEEL SLEEVE.

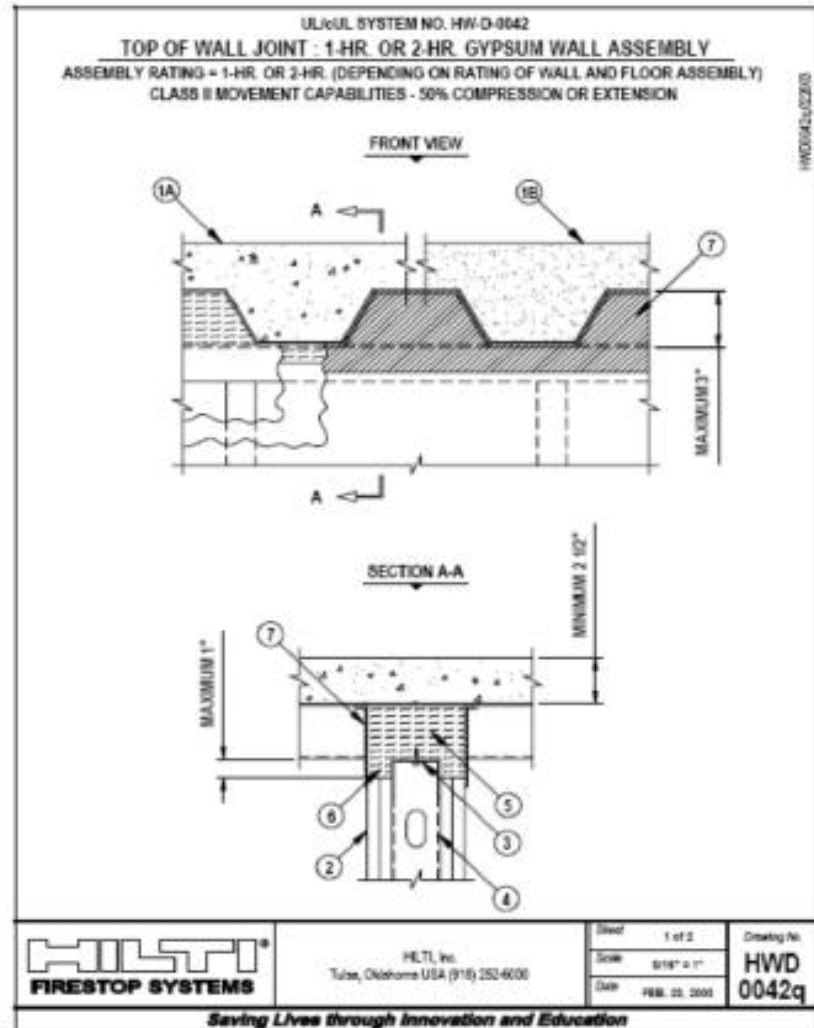
NOTES : 1. MAXIMUM DIAMETER OF OPENING = 22".

2. MINIMAL GAP - MINIMUM OF 1/2" MAXIMUM 1/2" GAP

CAJ1155 (00/07/08)



**Gypsum Wall assembly running up to concrete over metal deck**

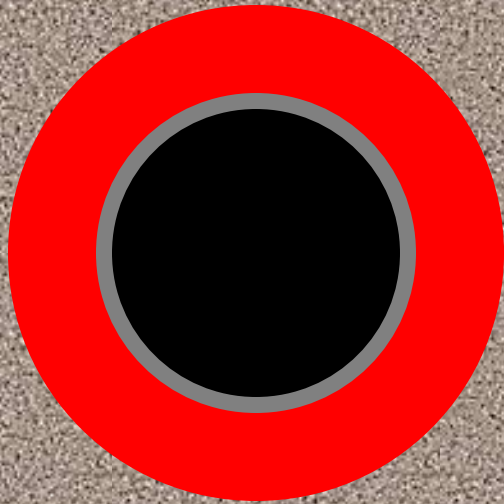


# How do Installers Select Systems?

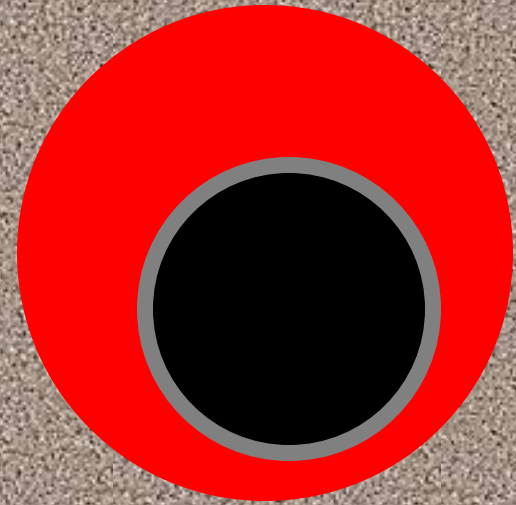
- Wall or Floor Construction Type, Rating
  - Wall or Floor Thickness
  - Penetrating Item, Coverings
  - Size, Type, Thickness
  - Annular Space Sizes
  - Joint / Gap Sizes
  - Backing Materials
  - Fill Material(s)
- = Rated Firestop System



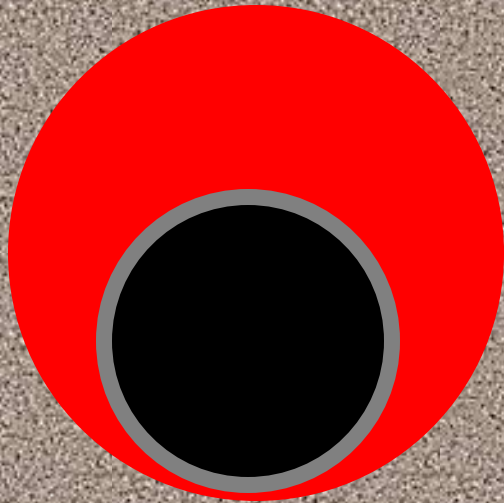




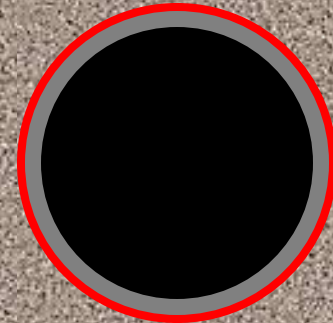
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**2. Off-Centered**



**3. Point Contact**

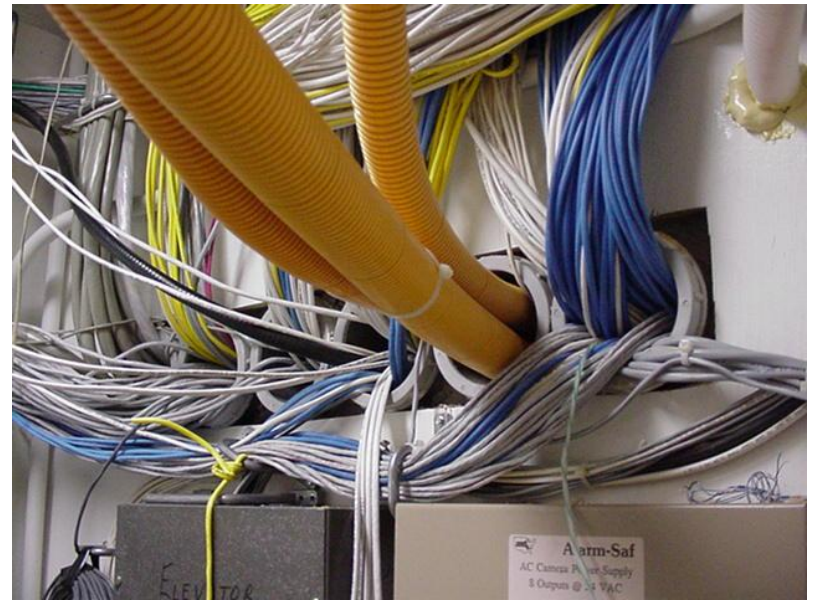


**4. Continuous  
Point Contact**

# Engineering Judgments/EFRRRA

- Field or other Variances to Tested and Listed Systems?
  - Annular Space / Gap too large / small
  - No System Exists
  - Impractical
- Why???
  - Lack of Planning
  - Unique Conditions

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# Engineering Judgments/EFRRRA

- Variances to Systems at Site ? – Now What...
  - **First Action in Process**
    - Find another system – Same Manufacturer
    - Find another system – Different Manufacturer
    - If no system exists in either case....
  - **Second Action –**
    - *Engineering Judgment* – “EJ”
    - *Equivalent Fire Resistance Rated Assembly* – “EFRRRA”
  - *Based on engineering, IFC Protocol*



## **IFC Guidelines for Evaluating Engineering Judgment Guidelines**

‘Construction industry professionals, building officials, fire officials, firestop contractors and other stakeholders need appropriate guidelines for evaluating and using such judgments.

As such, IFC developed *Recommended IFC Guidelines for Evaluating FireStop Systems in Engineering Judgments*.

# IFC EJ Guidelines

Engineering Judgments for firestop systems should:

- 1. Not be used in lieu of tested systems when available;**
- 2. Be issued only by a firestop manufacturer's qualified technical personnel or in concert with the manufacturer by a knowledgeable registered Professional Engineer, Fire Protection Engineer, or an independent testing agency that provides listing services for firestop systems;**
- 3. Be based upon interpolation of previously tested firestop systems that are either sufficiently similar in nature or clearly bracket the conditions upon which the judgment is to be given.**  
Additional knowledge and technical interpretations based upon accepted engineering principles, fire science and fire testing guidelines (e.g. ASTM E 2032 – Standard Guide for Extension of Data from Fire Endurance Tests, ULC Subject C263E – Criteria for Use in Extension of Data from Fire Endurance Tests, or ASTM E2750 – Standard Guide for Extensions of Data for Penetration Seals) may also be used as further support data;

# **IFC EJ Guidelines**

**Engineering Judgments for firestop systems should:**

- 4. Be based upon full knowledge of the elements of the construction to be protected, the understanding of the probable behavior of that construction and the recommended firestop system protecting it were they to be subjected to the appropriate Firestop Standard Fire Test method for the rating indicated on the Engineering Judgment;**
- 5. Be limited only to specific conditions and configurations upon which the engineering judgment was rendered and should be based upon reasonable performance expectations for the recommended firestop system under those conditions;**
- 6. Be accepted only for a single, specific job and project location and should not be transferred to any other job or project location without thorough and appropriate review of all aspects of the next job or location's circumstances.**

# **IFC EJ Guidelines - Basic Presentation Requirements**

**Proper EJ's should:**

- 1. Be presented in appropriately descriptive written form with or without detail drawings where appropriate;**
- 2. Clearly indicate that the recommended firestop system is an EJ;**
- 3. Include clear directions for the installation of the recommended firestop system;**
- 4. Include dates of issue and authorization signature as well as the issuer's name, address and telephone number;**
- 5. Reference tested system(s) upon which design (EJ) is based on;**
- 6. Identify the job name, project location and firm EJ is issued to along with the non-standard conditions and rating supported by the EJ;**

# **IFC EJ Presentation Guidelines – What's Seen?**

- 7. Have proper justification (i.e. UL, Intertek or other independent laboratory system(s) and or opinions);**
- 8. Provide complete descriptions of critical elements for the firestop configuration. These should include, but not be limited to the following:**

- a. Basic, Common**

- **Type(s) of assembly used or being penetrated;**
- **Rating supported by the EJ.**

- b. Through Penetrations**

- **Penetrating item(s) (type, size, etc.);**
- **Annular space requirements, (minimum, maximum, actual, nominal, etc.)**
- **Opening size;**
- **Firestop product(s) to be used, type and amount (thickness if applicable);**
- **Accessory items(s) (i.e. anchors, backing material, etc.)**

- c. Joints**

- **Joint Width (installed width, nominal)**
- **Movement Capability;**
- **Movement Class (thermal wind sway, seismic);**
- **Accessory item(s) (i.e. insulation type, thickness and compression, etc.)**

# **IFC EJ Presentation Guidelines – What's Seen?**

**d•Duct Enclosure Systems – SEE [www.Firestop.org](http://www.Firestop.org)**

**e• Firestop System – annular space dimensions, floor/wall construction, design number, components, installed thickness.**

**f. Perimeter Fire Barrier Systems –**

- Type(s) of assembly used or being penetrated;**
- Hourly Rating required**
- Closest Listed System upon which the EJ is based**
- Joint Width**
- Static or Dynamic**
- Safing Insulation Types), thickness and compression, etc.**
- Five Basic Principles**
  - 1. Mechanical Attachment of the Spandrel Insulation**
  - 2. Protection of the Mullions**
  - 3. Compression Fitting and Orientation of the Safing Insulation**
  - 4. Installation of a Reinforcement Member(s), stiffener, at the safe-off area behind the spandrel insulation.**
  - 5. Firestop Coating, type, thickness,**

# IFC EJ Presentation Guidelines – What's Seen?

## *f• Continuity Head-of-Wall Joints*

- Joint Width, (installed width, nominal)*
- Movement Capability*
- Movement Class – (thermal, wind sway, seismic)*
- Accessory Item(s) (i.e. insulation type, thickness, compression, etc.)*

*IFC recommends that these guidelines be considered when evaluating whether any firestop system engineering judgment meets minimal requirements. Questions concerning the EJ request should be addressed to the initiator of the judgment.*

# **INSTALL FIRESTOP SYSTEM**

## **Firestop Sealant, MW installation to Tested and Listed System Limits = Firestop System**



**Pack**

**1**



**Apply Sealant**

**2**



**Tool/Smooth**

**3**

**Walls - BOTH SIDES**



# Properly Tooled/Smoothed Firestop Sealants



# Sleeved Pipes



# Unlisted, Untested Firestop Systems





















↑ **WARNING!** Firestopped Penetration ↑

This penetration has been sealed with  
Specified Technologies Inc. (STI)  
SpecSeal® Firestopping materials.

**DO NOT REMOVE!**  
To maintain UL Classification in retrofitting, reseal with  
STI SpecSeal® Firestopping materials ONLY.

Product Installed	08/05/2010
Date of Installation	STI - LCI
Installing Contractor	PPMI Firestop Inc.
Contractor Phone ( )	317-894-9111
UL System#	W6-3721

STI  
www.specifiedtechnologies.com  
Toll Free: 800-992-1180

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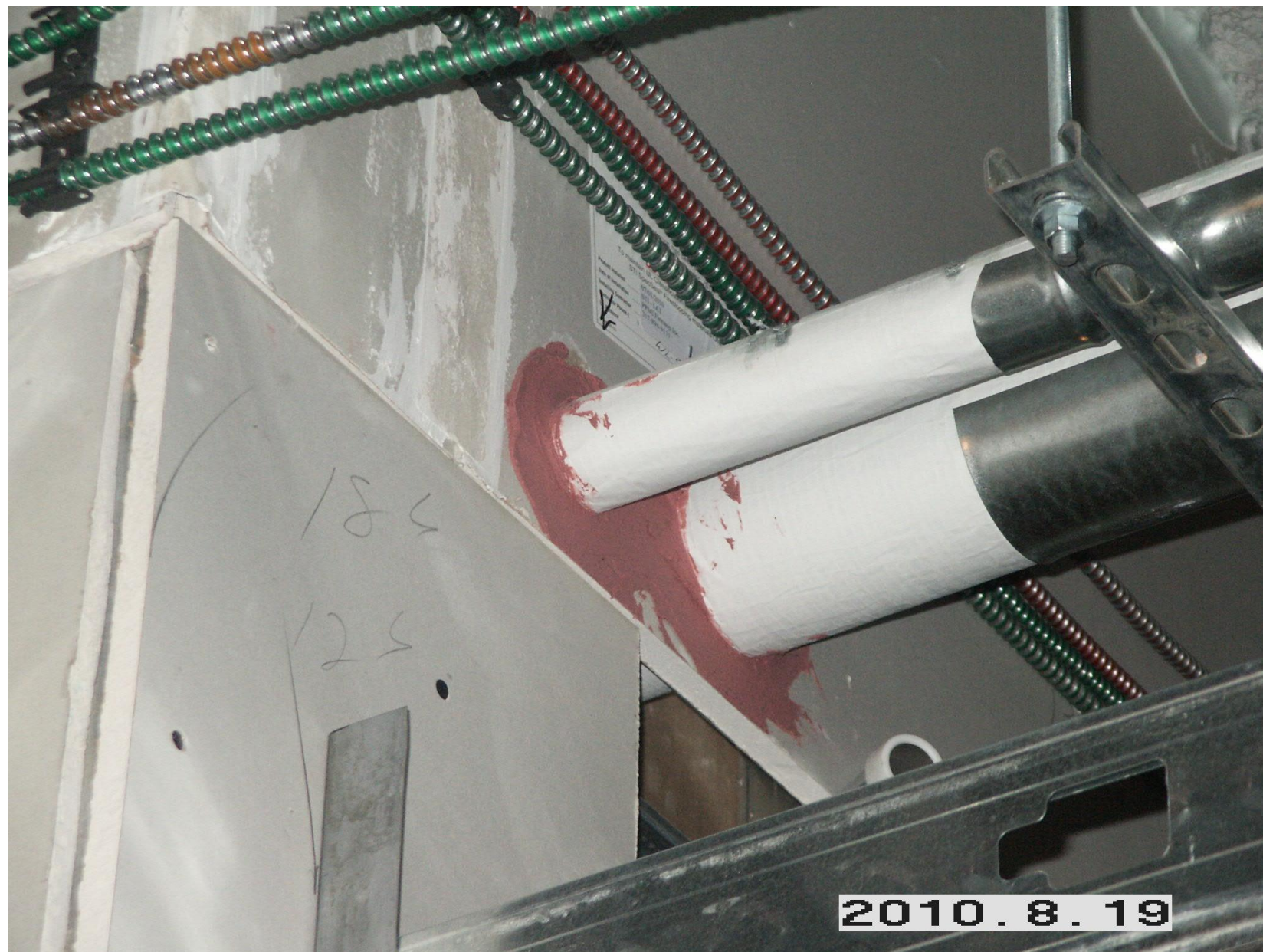
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**Firestopped Penetration**

This penetration has been sealed with  
Specified Technologies Inc. (STI)  
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Product Installed 08/05/2010  
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Installing Contractor PPMI Firestop Inc.

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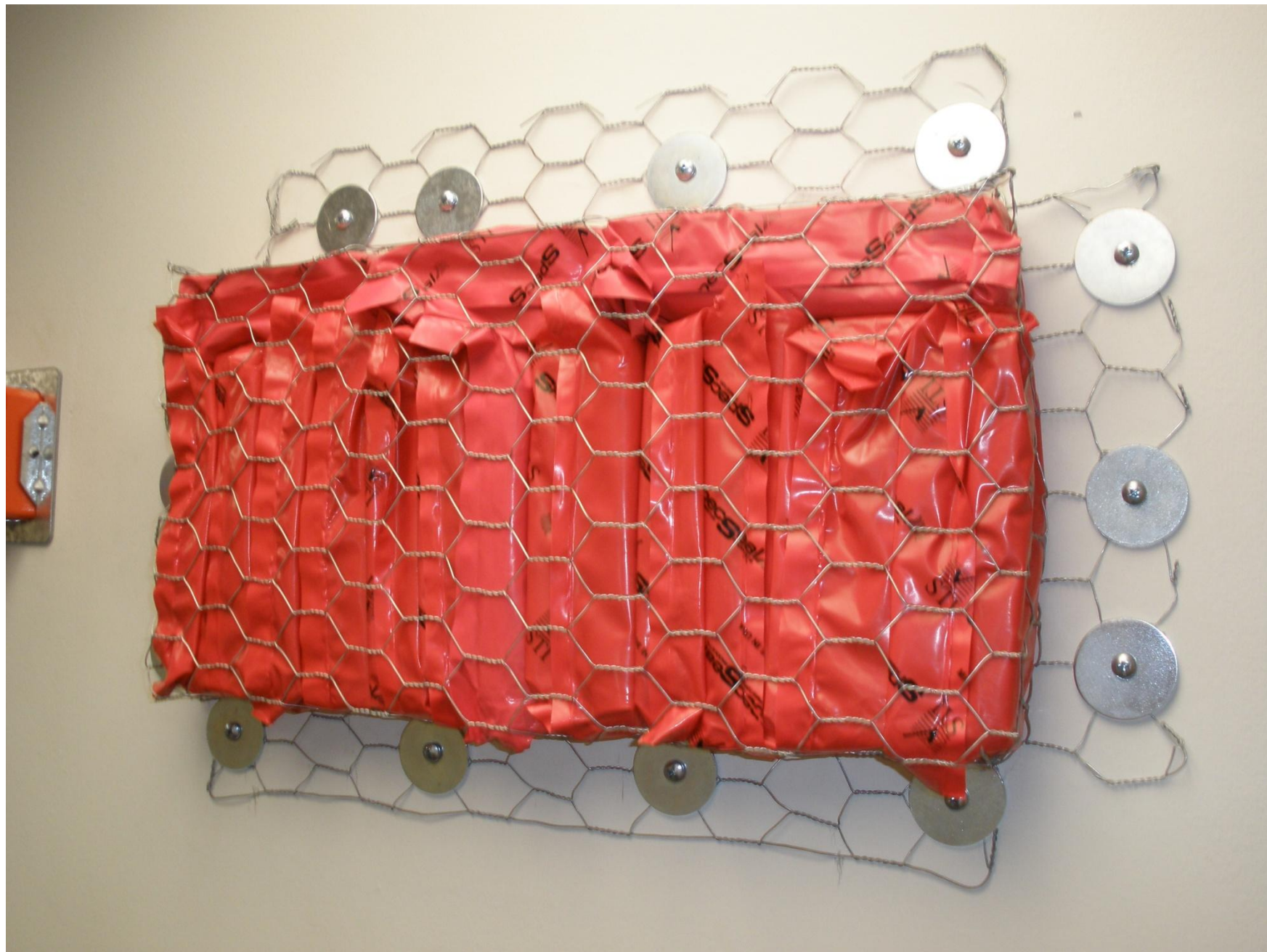
















# Firestopping for Safety

## Unlisted, Untested Firestop Systems



# Joint Compound

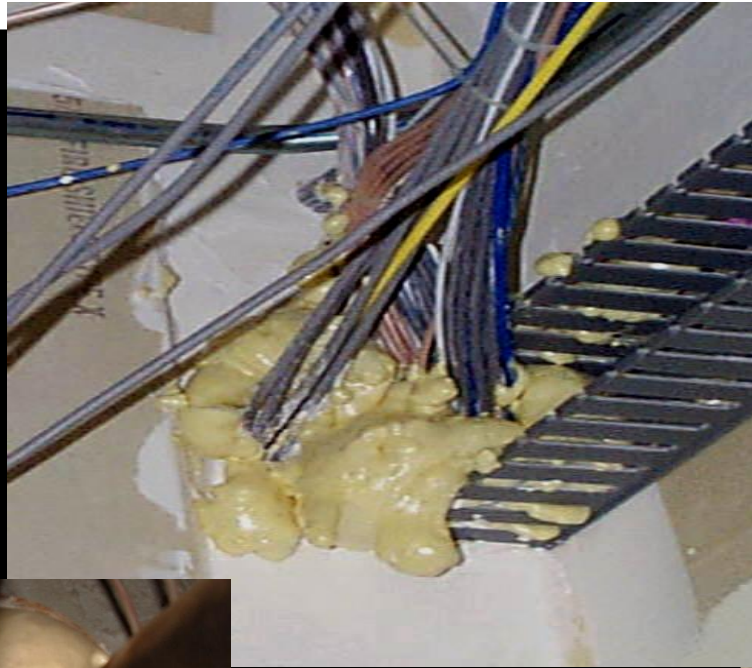




# Incomplete is ineffective



# Great Stuff



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# Fire/Smoke Dampers & Firestops

- Dampers are UL 555, 555S Listed *Systems*
  - Installed to manufacturer's written instructions (Systems
    - Angles...no sealants)
- Firestop sealants – UL 1479 –
  - Improper hole sizing or poor installation...

**Consult the Damper  
Manufacturer & the  
Authority Having  
Jurisdiction**

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# Fire/Smoke Dampers Firestop Installation

- Combination Fire Smoke Dampers
- Multi-blade Fire Dampers
- Underfloor applications
- Max. size 72" W x 96" H
- SYSTEM...AHJ

- Greenheck Graphic





# Installing an Incorrect System May Void the Fire / Smoke Damper Manufacturer's Warranty



# Barriers With Combustible Penetrants

- Plastic Pipe
- Plastic-Jacketed cables
- Certain pipe insulation



# Firestop Joint Systems Definition

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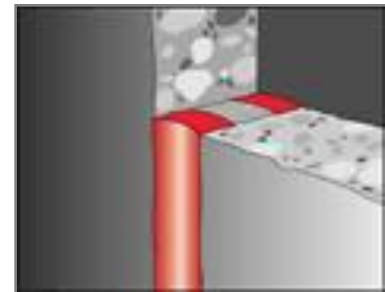
- UL 2079, ASTM E 1966, ULC-S-115
  - “A joint system is a **specific construction** consisting of adjacent **wall and floor assemblies**, *and* the materials designed to prevent the spread of fire through a linear opening between the wall and / or floor assemblies”



# Firestopping for Safety

- **Firestop Joint Systems Definition – UL 2079**
  - Min. Positive Pressure – .01 Water, 12” below assy.
  - Movement Cycling
    - Class I – min. 500 cycles, min. 1 cycle / minute
    - Class II- min. 500 cycles, min. 10 cycles / minute
    - Class III-min 100 cycles, min. 30 cycles / minute
  - Fire Tested at Maximum Joint Width
  - No Load Bearing Characteristics, unless noted
  - Assembly, L or W Ratings

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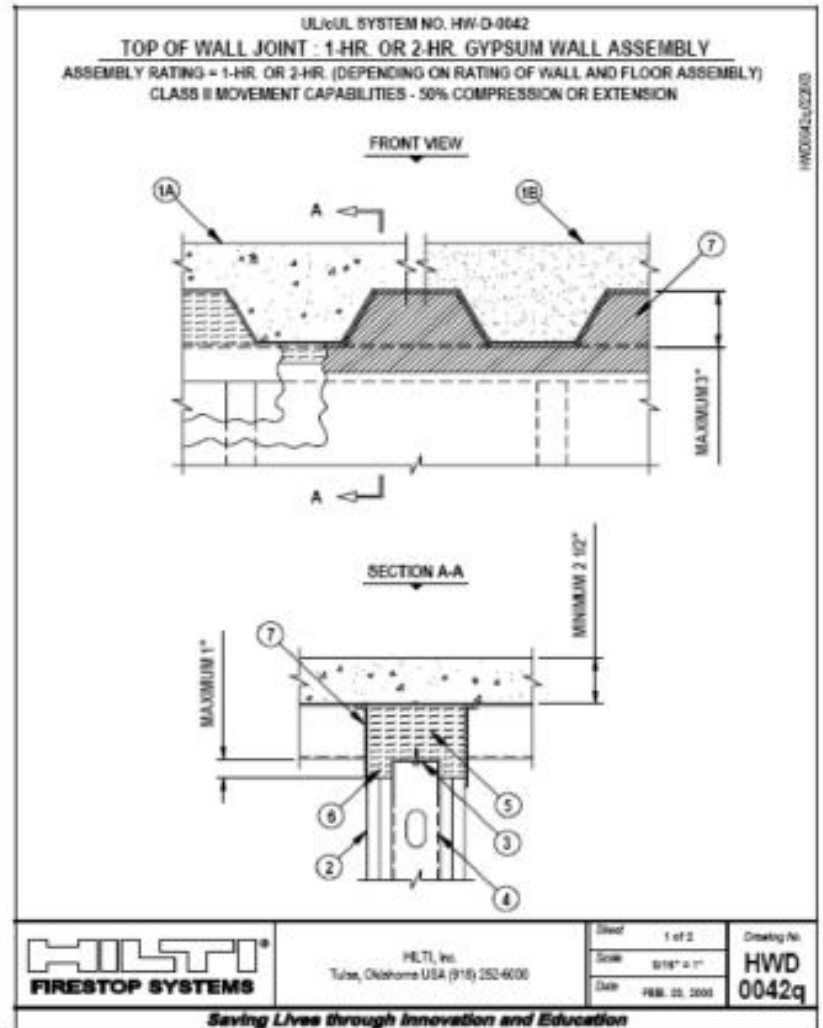




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## Gypsum Wall assembly running up to concrete over metal deck





# Firestop Applications

**Floor to Wall**



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**Top of Wall**

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# Joints and Seams

## Head of Wall





# Joints and Seams

## I-Beam to Fluted Deck



# Penetrations in Head of Wall





# Unacceptable



# Results of Improperly Installed Mineral Wool



# Firestop Perimeter Fire Containment Systems

- Firestop Perimeter Systems

**Definition – ASTM E 2307**

- “A Perimeter Fire Containment System is a **specific field erected construction** consisting of a floor with a fire resistance rating, and an exterior curtainwall with no hourly resistance rating, and the fill material installed between the floor and the curtain wall to prevent the vertical spread of fire in a building.”



# Tamweel Towers, Dubai

## Perimeter Fire Protection

*Gulf News: A discarded cigarette ???*





# *Safer Buildings ...*

*– Tamweel Apartment Tower, Dubai*



# *Energy & Fire Codes Converge*

- *Safer Buildings - Tamweel Apartment Tower...*

**‘Tamweel Tower  
fire started by  
cigarette butt, say  
Dubai Police..’**

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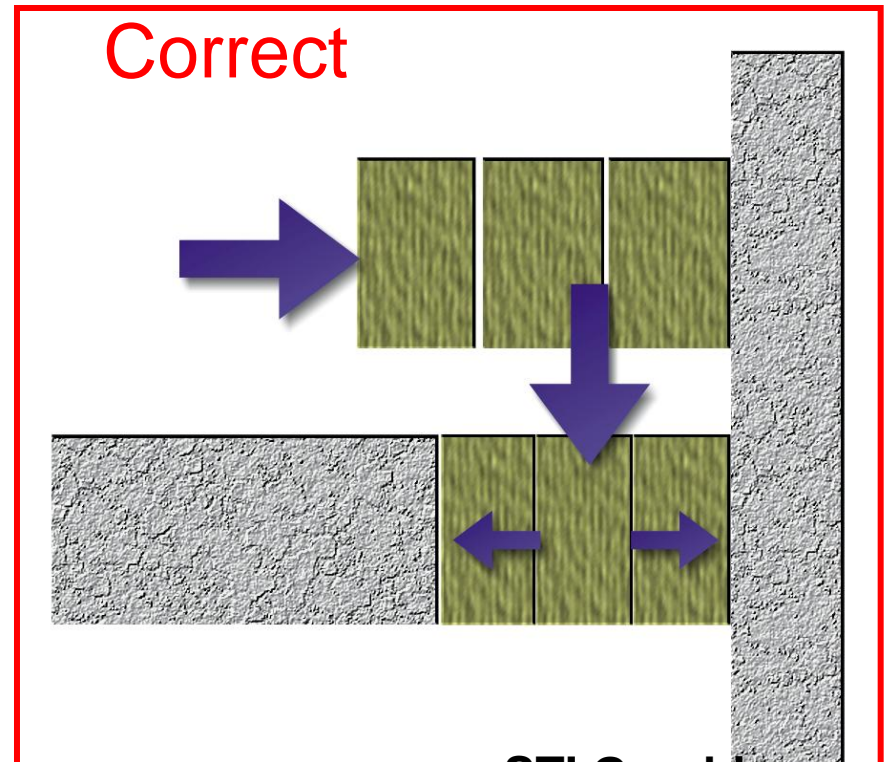
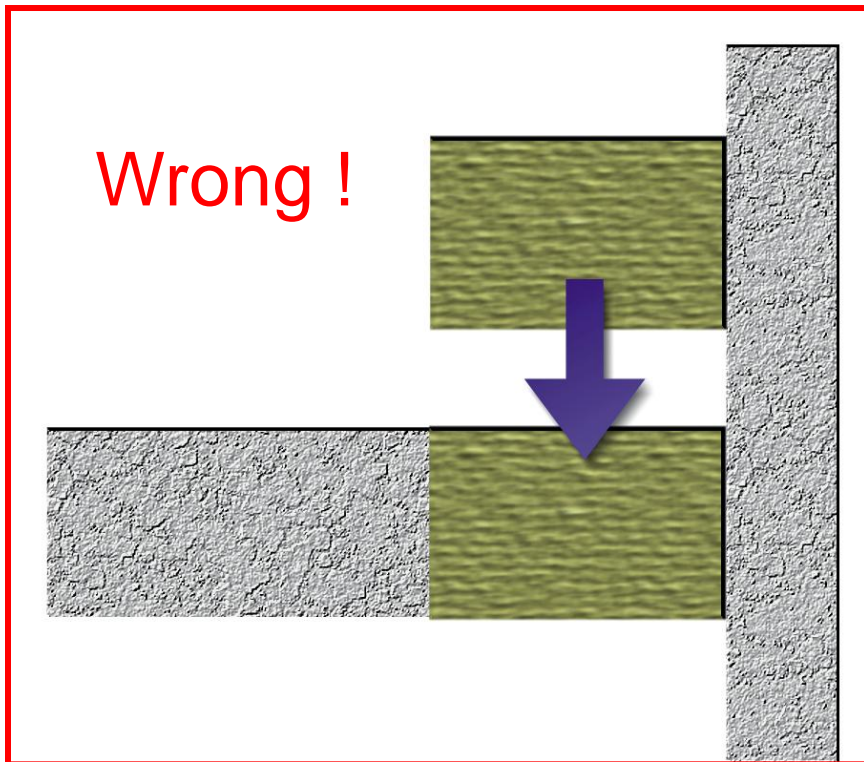
# Firestop Perimeter Fire Containment Systems



Graphic – Intertek

# Proper Installation of Mineral Wool

- Compressed mineral wool must be inserted perpendicular to the joint to allow for movement between the slab and wall.

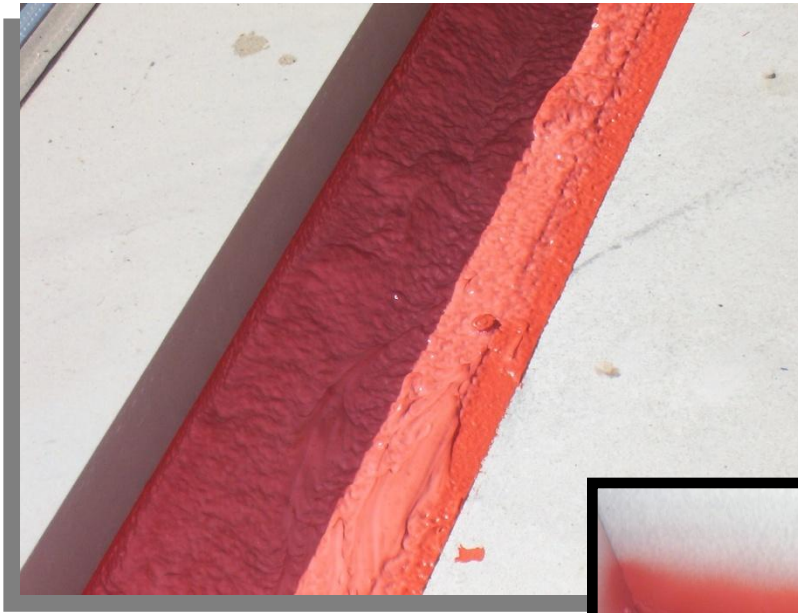






**STI Graphic**

# Firestop Installed at Perimeter of Floors at Curtainwall



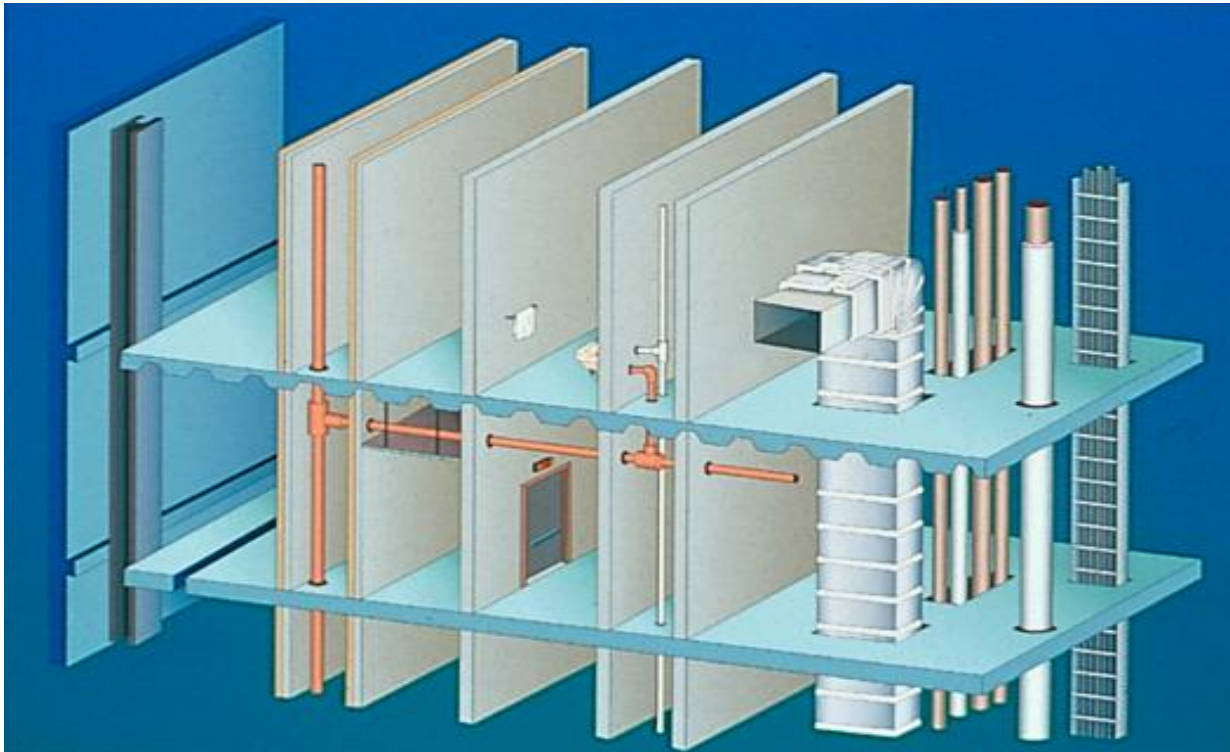


# Firestop Products Become Systems when Installed to SYSTEM



# I- Installation

Who's Responsible, How to Choose???



Graphics – STI

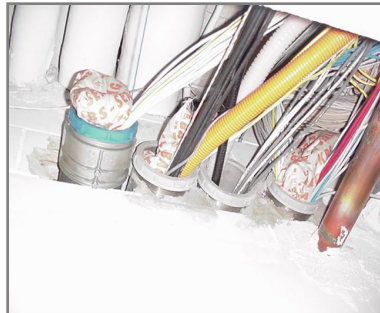
# Installation – Who?

- Firestopping wrong, missing
- Systems Documentation?
- As Built Documentation??

*Conclusion –*

*Without Single Firestopping Trade....*

*fire & life safety risks*



# 3 Firestop Installation Methods

- **Each Trade**
  - “He/She who pokes hole, fills hole”
- **Multiple Contracts**
  - Firestop Contractors, Trades
- **Single Source Firestop Contractor**
  - *FCIA Member in Good Standing*
  - *FM 4991, UL, ULC Qualified*

# Why Contractor Qualifications?

- **Firestopping** Ratings - F, T, H, L W
- **Zero Tolerances?**
  - Annular Space Sizes, Gap Sizes
- **Product Properties**
  - Movement
  - Compatibility
  - Storage, Application, Curing Temps
- **SYSTEMS DOCUMENTATION**



# Firestop Contractor Qualifications

## 1. Bought at Hardware Store, etc.

- Contractor or Individual?

## 2. Manufacturer Trained Individuals

- 1 hour program
- ½ day program
- 2 day education

## 3. ULC Qualified, FM 4991 Approved Companies

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Verified *Company* Management System
- *Individuals* Pass 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Exam
- *Individual* Knowledge – FCIA MOP
- All Manufacturers Products Covered
- *Company gets Approved or Qualified, not Individual*

# Firestop Contractor Qualifications?

- **Manufacturer Educated**
  - **Short Class – 25 - 60 minutes**
    - Some Training
    - Worker educated
    - Short test
    - Administered by salesperson
  - **Worker Education at Shop**
  - **Manufacturer HQ Education**
    - 1-2 Days Education
    - Test – Teach to the Test?
    - Not 3<sup>rd</sup> Party

# Firestop Contractor Qualifications

- **Association Member**
- Insurance – Classification?
  - Specialty Firestop Contractor?
  - Plumber, other trade??
- Workforce – Educated as Firestop/Containment Workers
- Bonding Capability
- Project References & Experience
- **Management System reviewed by....**
  - **FM 4991, UL or ULC ?**

# Firestop Contractor Qualifications

## FM & UL/ULC – 4 Components

1. Office Facility Quality Management System Audit
2. Field – Jobsite Audit
3. Employ a person
  - UL/FM Firestop Exam @ 80% or better
  - DRI if employed by Approved/Qualified Firm,
    - *Designated Responsible Individual (DRI)*
4. Annual Audit



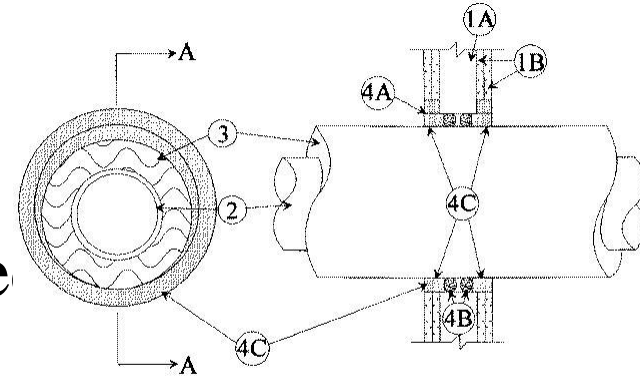
# **1. Office Audit of Company Management System (MS) Manual**

- Controlled Management Processes
- Project Successful Proven Contractor
- Education, Training, Accountability



# 1. FM, UL/ULC Company Audit of Management System (MS)

- Employee Training & Education
- Systems Selection
- Communicate systems to Field
- Material Controls
- Systems installation “protocol”
- Labeling
- Record keeping - Variance Proce
- Non-Conformances
- Documentation
- Project closeout



CONFIGURATION A

## ***2. Company MS Jobsite Audit*** **by ULC, FM or UL**

- Verification of firestop systems Processes
- Verify Management System Works
- Verify Company “communication”
  - Office to field, field to office
- “Culture of Quality...”

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Adler Photo



### 3. **DRI** – Company Appoints DRI if ....

- **Pass Rigorous Firestop Examination**
  - FCIA Firestop Manual of Practice
  - Firestop Systems Selection & Protocol
  - Management System Knowledge
- Keep CEU's – 6 FM, 10 UL, ea. 3 yrs.
- Retested every 3 years (FM Only)
- One DRI per Approved Contractor Location



# **4. Annual Audit**

## **FM 4991 UL / ULC**

### **Contractor Company Personnel**

- Continued satisfactory performance
  - Quality Manual Implementation
- Documented - Archived record keeping
- Employee Training Documentation
- Jobsite Visit
- DRI CEU Verification
- **Find @[www.fcia.org](http://www.fcia.org)**

# UL-ULC/FM 4991

## Contractor Company Benefits

### **Quantified Differentiation ...**

- **Focus on the Company & Individual**
- Investment in Company Procedures
- Investment in People Education
- Investment in FCIA Manual of Practice
  - Project Successful Proven Contractor
  - Education, Training, Accountability
    - = Reduced Risk – Life, Property, Business





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**THE FIRESTOP AUTHORITY**

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Wednesday, February 10, 2010

Mr. Randy Perry  
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 Canada

Re: Qualified Firestop Applicator

As the firestop manufacturer with more UL and ULC Classified Firestop System Coverage than any other, we are intimately familiar with UL and ULC's QFC Program. We recognize the program as one of two best-in-class, third-party, quality assurance methods available to building project decision-makers to help ensure applicator quality. As such, we fully endorse the program and those applicators that have invested heavily to earn their way to become a member in this elite group of professionals.

It is our understanding that Adler Firestopping Ltd. is a ULC (Underwriters Laboratories of Canada) Qualified Firestop Contractor (QFC) in good standing. This can be verified at the bottom of the page at the following link:

<http://www.ul.com/global/eng/pages/offering/industries/buildingmaterials/qualifiedcontractorprogram/qualified/firestop/>

Moreover, Randy Perry has successfully attended our intensive, two-day FIT Level II program, taken the exam, earned a passing score and is within the two-year expiry period before renewal will be required. A copy of his certificate can be made available upon request.

Regards,

John Hurley  
 Regional Manager, Western US and Canada



**Underwriters  
 Laboratories**

Certificate Number: **1016**

**QUALIFIED FIRESTOP CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATE**

Company Name: Adler Firestopping Ltd.

File number: NC10757

Issued: 2/1/2010

Expires: 2/1/2011

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Email Address: randy@adlerfirestopping.com

This company has demonstrated that it complies with UL's Qualified Firestop Contractor Program Requirements for Canada. Under this programme, the Contractor has demonstrated knowledge of selection and installation of firestop systems as evidenced by the successful performance in a written examination by a "Designated Responsible Individual" (DRI). The Contractor has also established a Management System specifically focused on the proper selection and installation of ULC Listed Firestop Systems.

This certificate is not transferable and expires one (1) year after the issue date. This certificate may be displayed, copied and shared with others but must be used in its entirety. Only those companies listed in ULC's Online Certifications Directory for the Qualified Firestop Contractor Program at [www.ulc.ca/contractor](http://www.ulc.ca/contractor) are considered eligible for this program and to use this Certificate and the ULC marking (shown here) in its advertising and promotional material in accordance with the marking guidelines provided with this Certificate.



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**Qualified Firestop  
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Underwriters Laboratories of Canada® reserves the right to void this certificate at any point. This certificate does not indicate compliance with any ULC Product Certification Program. For additional information regarding the Qualified Firestop Contractor Program, please visit [www.ulc.ca/contractor](http://www.ulc.ca/contractor).

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**FIRESTOP CONTRACTORS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION**  
**Membership Certificate**

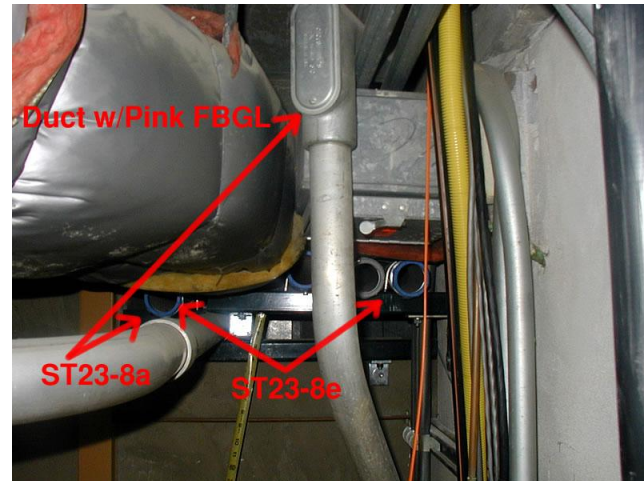
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 Edmonton, Alberta

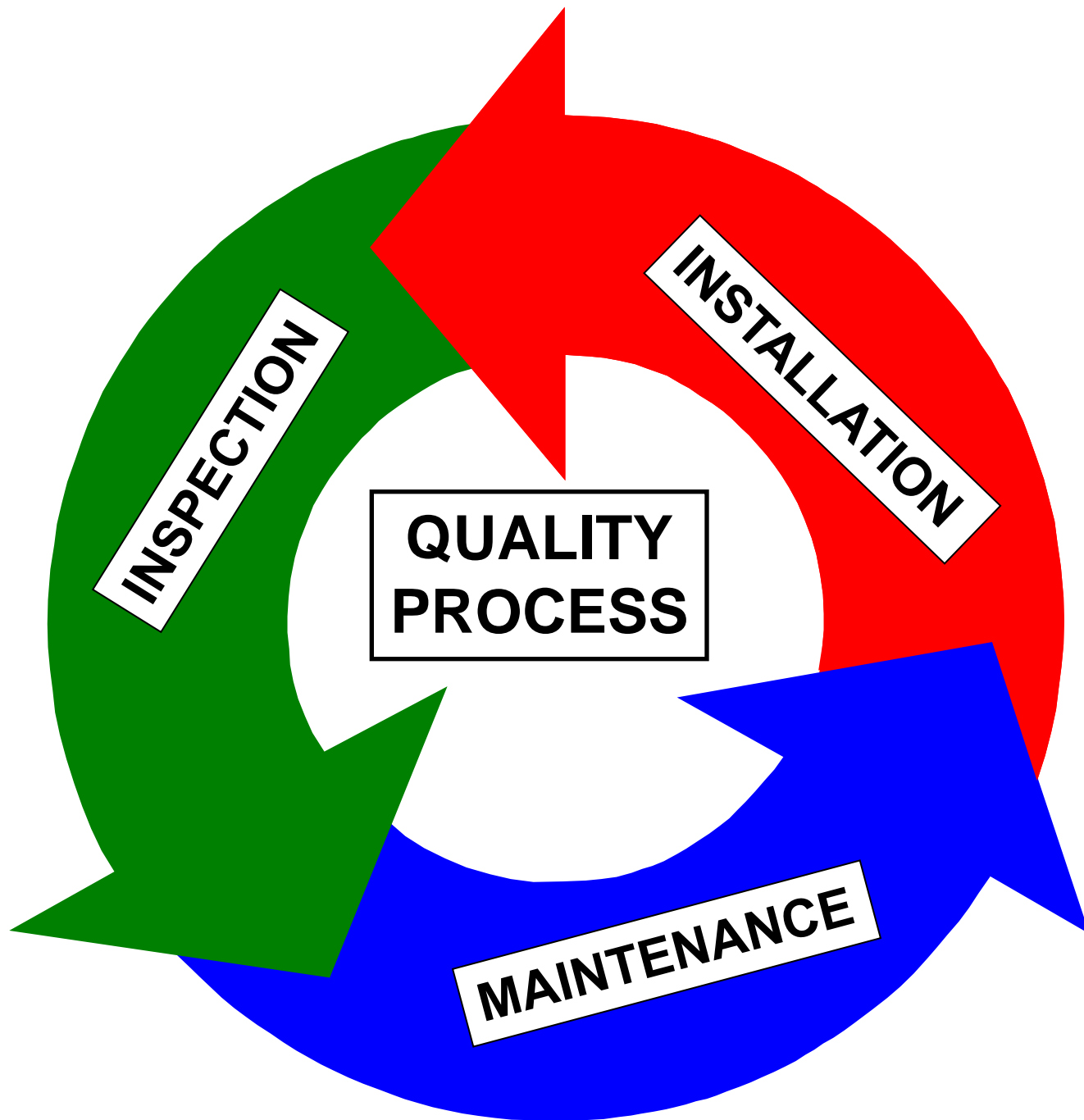
is a Firestop Contractor Voting Member of the  
 Firestop Contractors International Association  
 and pledges to further the mission of FCIA.

**Robert N. LeClair, Jr., President, FCIA**

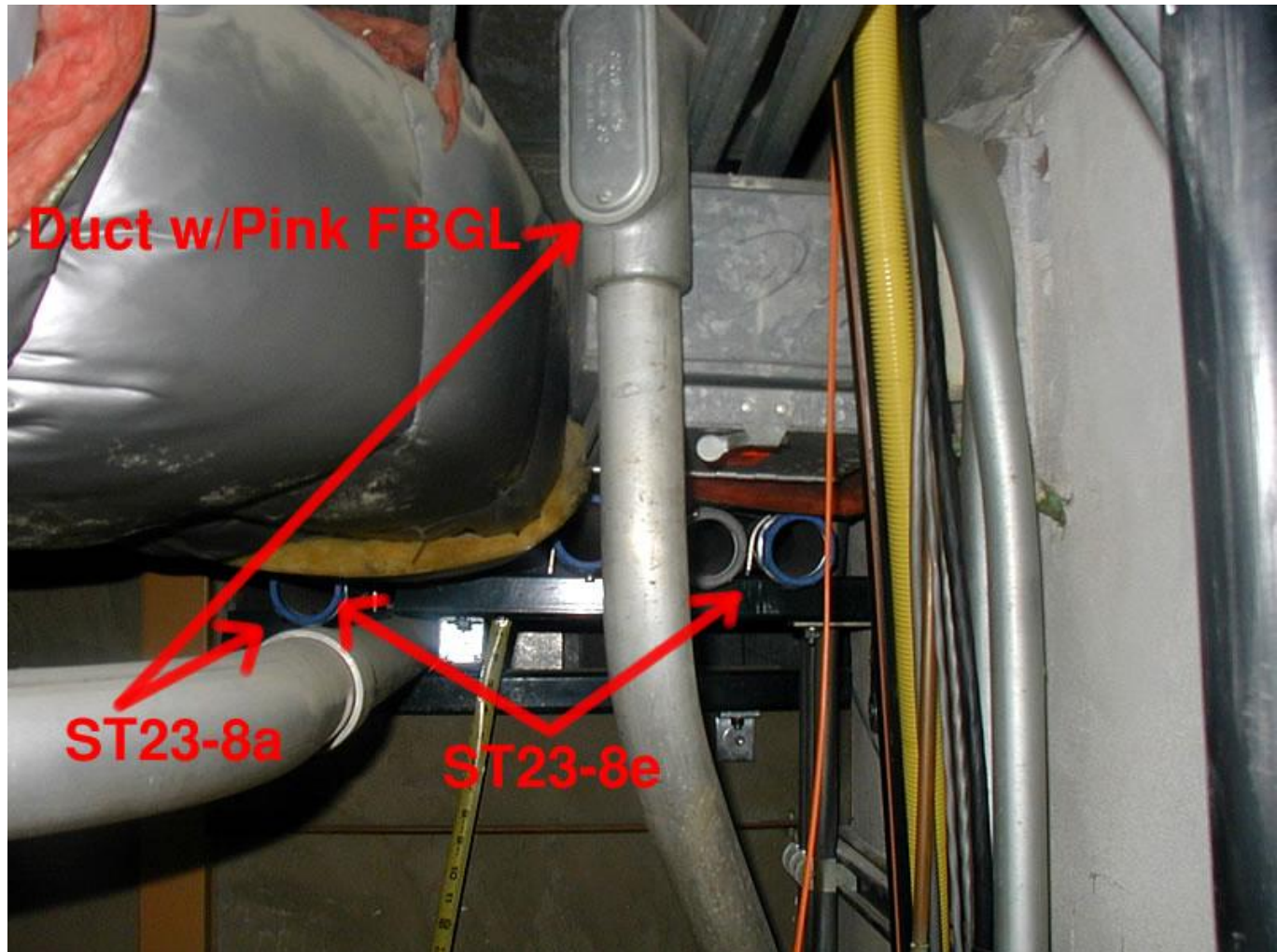
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# I – Inspection Systems Analysis





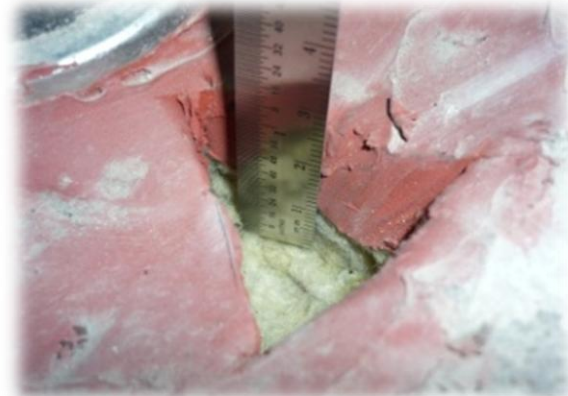
# Firestop Installation & Inspection





# Firestop Installation & Inspection

- ASTM E 2174/ ASTM E 2393 –  
Standards for the Inspection of Installed Firestopping





# Firestop Installation & Inspection

Submitted by Adler Firestopping

ULC SYSTEM NO. SPC 46

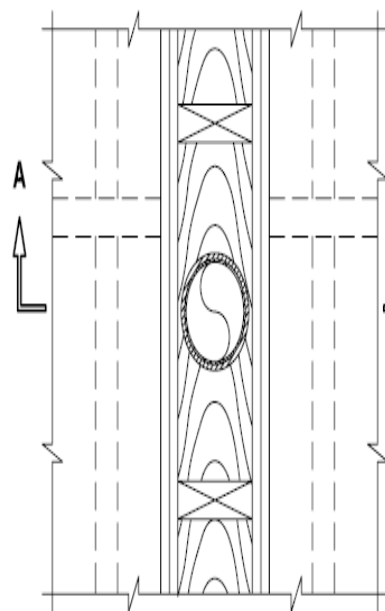
## PLASTIC PIPE THROUGH WOOD FLOOR/CEILING ASSEMBLY

F-RATING = 1-HR. OR 2-HR.

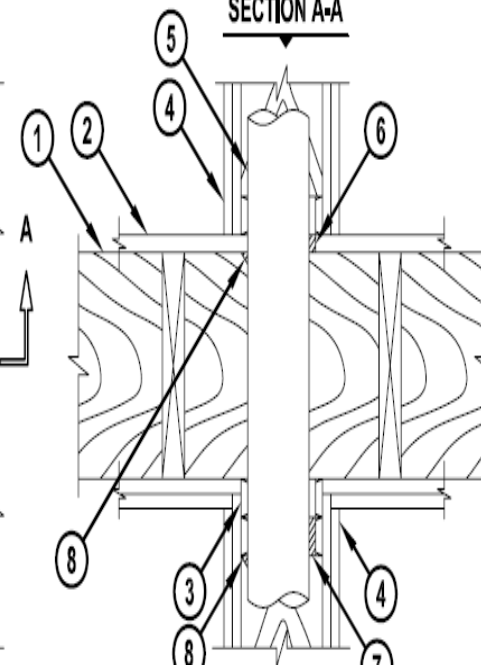
FH, FT AND FTH-RATING = SEE ULC FIRE RESISTANCE DIRECTORY

NOTE : TESTED WITH A 50 Pa PRESSURE DIFFERENTIAL

TOP VIEW



SECTION A-A



# I – Inspection – Options

- **Contractor Self Inspection**
  - Verify Management System validity
  - Not 2%, 10%
  - Required for FM & UL, ULC Contractors
- **Manufacturer Inspection**
  - Does not exist ... Survey, maybe
- **ASTM E 2174 & ASTM E 2393 –**
  - Independent 3<sup>rd</sup> Party
  - Destructive, Non Destructive
  - Specified Frequency

# Firestop Systems Inspection

## ASTM E 2174 - ASTM E 2393

- “Standard Practice for On-Site Inspection of Installed Fire Stops – Penetrations - Joints”
  - Standard Inspection Procedure
  - Special Inspection Agency Companies
  - Other Qualified Firms
  - Report to Building Owner, Fire Marshals & Code Officials

# Inspection in Codes

## ASTM E 2174 - ASTM E 2393

- **NFPA 101 / 5000 - Chapter 8 - Annex**
- 2012 International Building Code
  - CH 17 – Special Inspections
    - Buildings 75' & higher above Fire Department Access
    - Occupancy Type III, IV, Chapter 16 Table 1604.5
- Abu Dhabi International Building Code

# **Inspection Firm & Individual Qualifications**

## **ASTM E 2174 - ASTM E 2393**

- **Inspector Firm & Inspectors**
  - **‘Independent of, and Divested from ’**  
Installing firm, Distributor, Manufacturer,  
Competitor, Supplier...
  - **‘Not a Competitor** of the Installer, contractor,  
manufacturer, or supplier ....
  - **Submit notarized statements of ...**



# Inspection Firm & Individual Qualifications

## ASTM E 2174 - ASTM E 2393

- Inspector Personnel meet at least one criteria.....
  - 2 years experience (Construction, Field), education, and credentials acceptable to AHJ
  - Accredited by AHJ
  - Meet ASTM E699
- **Not required ... BUT**
- **NEW Inspector Personnel / Firm Qualification – IAS AC 291 – NFPA 101/5000?**

# Firm and Individual Qualifications

## IAS AC 291

- Inspector Firm shall have at least one staff..
  - PASS UL or FM Firestop Exam
  - 1 year Quality Assurance
  - Or...*
  - PASS UL/FM Firestop Exam, *and* PE, FPE, Registered Architect, or
  - PASS UL/FM Firestop Exam, *and* Education by Certified Agency

**Specify IAS, not part of ASTM Standards**

# **Inspection Process**

## **ASTM E 2174 - ASTM E 2393**

- Pre Construction Meeting
  - Review Documents – Identify Conflicts
  - Review Materials – SYSTEMS
    - **ASTM E 814 or UL 1479- ASTM E 1966, UL 2079, ASTM E 2307 Systems**
- Inspection Documents”
  - Manufacturer Product Data Sheets
  - Tested and Listed Systems & EJ’s

# **Inspection Process**

## **ASTM E 2174 - ASTM E 2393**

- **Pre-Construction Meeting**
  - Mock Ups
  - Destructive Testing
  - Installation Measurements
  - Discuss Inspection Method
- **Meeting Required**
  - During/Post Inspection Methods

# Inspection Methods

## ASTM E 2174 - ASTM E 2393

- During Construction
  - Random witness, Each Floor
    - **10%, each type** of Penetration Firestop, no less than one per floor
    - **5% of Total Lineal Feet** of Fire Resistance Rated Joint System, each type

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# Inspection Methods

## ASTM E 2174 - ASTM E 2393

- Post Construction - Destructive Testing
  - **Minimum 2% , no less** than 1, each type per 10,000 SF of floor area
  - **Minimum 1 / 500 LF** of Joint Area, mandatory
  - If 10% variance per firestop type
    - Inspection stops
    - Installer inspects, repairs
    - Inspector reinspects



# **Inspection Methods**

## **ASTM E 2174 - ASTM E 2393**

- Both Methods...
  - If 10% variance per firestop type
    - Inspection stops
    - Installer inspects, repairs
    - Inspector reinspects
  - Inspector Shall not Supervise Workers...
  - Inspect @ Firestop Installation Start

# **Inspection Forms**

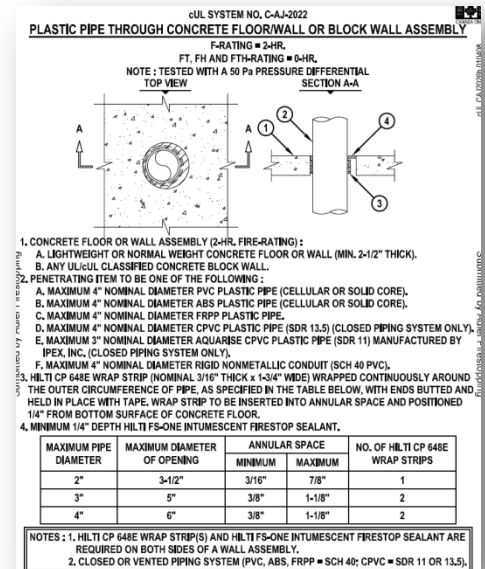
## **ASTM E 2174 - ASTM E 2393**

- One for each type of firestop
- Submit 1 day after Inspection to  
Authorizing Agency
- Numbered – Controlled
- Required – During/Post Construction  
Methods

# Inspection Final Report

## ASTM E 2174 - ASTM E 2393

- Name, address, location – project, installer, inspector
- Type and quantity of firestops inspected
- Verification method
- Percentage Deviation
- Copies of all documents sent to Authorizing Agency



# Firestopping & Compartmentation for Safety

- Copies of all documents sent to Authorizing Agency
- Product Data Sheets
- ‘SYSTEMS’, Fire Rated Assemblies = As Builts
- Inspection Docs
- Warranty Docs
- Maintenance Requirements
- Letters of Compliance
- FCIA Member in Good Standing Certificate

cUL SYSTEM NO. C-AJ-2022  
**PLASTIC PIPE THROUGH CONCRETE FLOOR/WALL OR BLOCK WALL ASSEMBLY**  
 F-RATING = 2-HR.  
 FT, FH AND FTH-RATING = 0-HR.  
 NOTE : TESTED WITH A 50 Pa PRESSURE DIFFERENTIAL

**1. CONCRETE FLOOR OR WALL ASSEMBLY (2-HR. FIRE-RATING) :**  
 A. LIGHTWEIGHT OR NORMAL WEIGHT CONCRETE FLOOR OR WALL (MIN. 2-1/2" THICK).  
 B. ANY UL/cUL CLASSIFIED CONCRETE BLOCK WALL.

**2. PENETRATING ITEM TO BE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING :**  
 A. MAXIMUM 4" NOMINAL DIAMETER PVC PLASTIC PIPE (CELLULAR OR SOLID CORE).  
 B. MAXIMUM 4" NOMINAL DIAMETER ABS PLASTIC PIPE (CELLULAR OR SOLID CORE).  
 C. MAXIMUM 4" NOMINAL DIAMETER FRPP PLASTIC PIPE.  
 D. MAXIMUM 4" NOMINAL DIAMETER CPVC PLASTIC PIPE (SDR 13.5) (CLOSED PIPING SYSTEM ONLY).  
 E. MAXIMUM 3" NOMINAL DIAMETER AQUARISE CPVC PLASTIC PIPE (SDR 11) MANUFACTURED BY IPEX, INC. (CLOSED PIPING SYSTEM ONLY).  
 F. MAXIMUM 4" NOMINAL DIAMETER RIGID NONMETALLIC CONDUIT (SCH 40 PVC).

**3. HILTI CP 648E WRAP STRIP (NOMINAL 3/16" THICK x 1-3/4" WIDE) WRAPPED CONTINUOUSLY AROUND THE OUTER CIRCUMFERENCE OF PIPE, AS SPECIFIED IN THE TABLE BELOW, WITH ENDS BUTTED AND HELD IN PLACE WITH TAPE. WRAP STRIP TO BE INSERTED INTO ANNULAR SPACE AND POSITIONED 1/4" FROM BOTTOM SURFACE OF CONCRETE FLOOR.**

**4. MINIMUM 1/4" DEPTH HILTI FS-ONE INTUMESCENT FIRESTOP SEALANT.**

MAXIMUM PIPE DIAMETER	MAXIMUM DIAMETER OF OPENING	ANNULAR SPACE		NO. OF HILTI CP 648E WRAP STRIPS
		MINIMUM	MAXIMUM	
2"	3-1/2"	3/16"	7/8"	1
3"	5"	3/8"	1-1/8"	2
4"	6"	3/8"	1-1/8"	2

NOTES : 1. HILTI CP 648E WRAP STRIP(S) AND HILTI FS-ONE INTUMESCENT FIRESTOP SEALANT ARE REQUIRED ON BOTH SIDES OF A WALL ASSEMBLY.  
 2. CLOSED OR VENTED PIPING SYSTEM (PVC, ABS, FRPP = SCH 40; CPVC = SDR 11 OR 13.5).

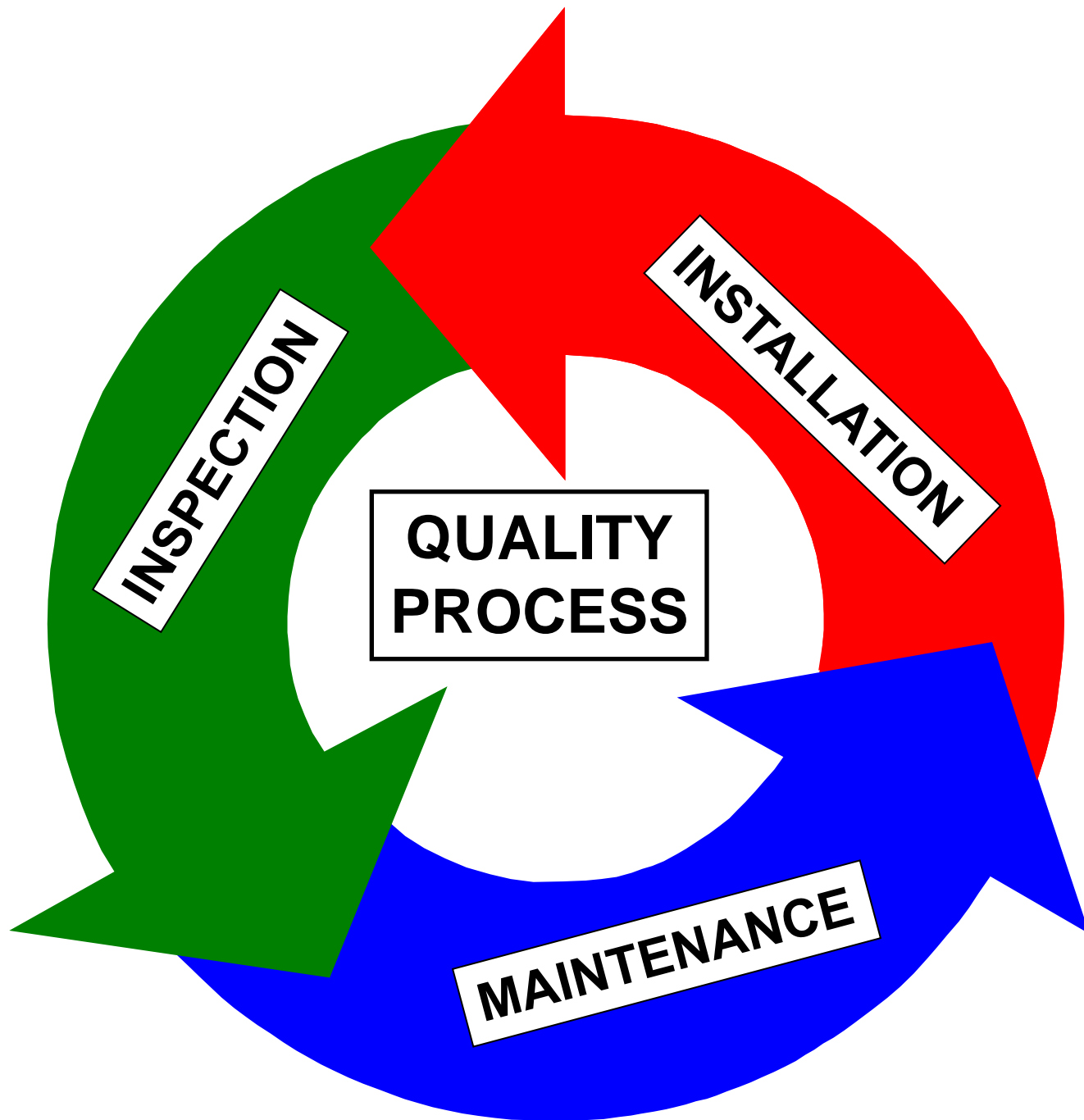


# Firestopping & Compartmentation for Safety

# Why Specify?

## ASTM E 2174 - ASTM E 2393

- **DIIM – ‘II’** of Quality Process
  - **Install, Inspect**
- Verify Field Installations
- **Specify Accredited Inspection Agencies**
  - IAS AC 291 – Accreditation Criteria for  
Special Inspection Agencies



# 07-84-00 Specifications (FREE @ FCIA.org)

## **MasterFormat - 07 84 00 - Firestopping**

- **Part I** – FCIA Member, FM 4991 Approved or UL Qualified Firestop Installer/Contractor - Valid DRI, Test Standards
- **Part II – Products** – Testing, Properties
  - Pipes, cables, ducts, cable trays, MEP&C Systems -
  - Fire Resistance Rated Joints –
    - Head of Wall, Wall to Wall, Wall to Floor
  - Perimeter Fire Containment Joints
    - Floor Slab edge/Exterior Wall
- **Part III, Execution, Quality Assurance (DIV 1 Reference)**
  - **ASTM E 2174 & ASTM E 2393 Inspection**
  - **IAS AC 291 Special Inspection Agency** –
    - Individual on staff passed FM or UL Firestop Exam

# 07-84-00 Specifications

- **Systems Testing – Part 1 – DIIM References**
  - Penetrations - ASTM E 814 & UL 1479,
  - Joints - ASTM E 1966, UL 2079, S115 -
  - Perimeter - ASTM E 2307 –
  - FM 4991 Standard for the Approval of Firestop Contractors
  - UL Qualified Firestop Contractor Program
  - ASTM E 2174 & ASTM E 2393 - Inspections
  - IAS AC 291 Accredited Special Inspection Agency



# 07-84-00 Specifications

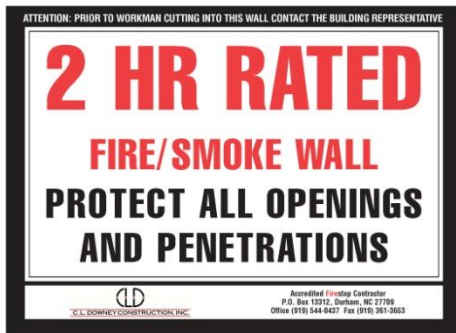
- **Single Source Product??**
- YES, BUT.....
  - ‘...to the greatest extent possible.’
  - Number of Systems v. EJ’s
  - IFC Protocol for EJ’s
    - *No EJ if Tested/Listed System Available*

# 07-84-00 Specifications

- **Part 1 - Systems**
  - “F” Ratings - Fire Resistance Rated Assy.
  - “T” Ratings - = F & T??
  - “H” Ratings – Hose Stream
  - “L” Ratings = Smoke Resistance
  - “W” Ratings – Floors, Walls
- **Materials & Physical Property Requirements**
  - Chemicals, Movement, Exposure

# “TOTAL FIRE PROTECTION”

- Effective Compartmentation
  - Fire Barriers, Fire Walls/Floors, Smoke Barriers
  - Firestopping, Fire Dampers, Swinging and Rolling Fire Doors, Fire Rated Glazing
- Detection & Alarm Systems
- Sprinkler Suppression Systems
- Education & Egress—
  - Building Owners & Managers, Building Occupants and Firefighters



# FCIA DIIM & Firestopping

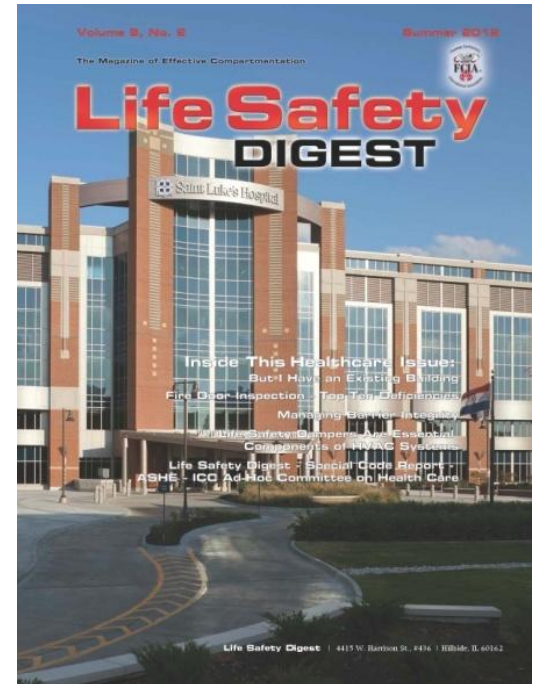
## @ Barrier Management Symposium

Proper ***DCIIM*** Means Reliable Systems...

- Properly ***Designed*** - A/E - Consultant
  - Tested and Listed Systems, FCIA Member Mfr's., Compartments per IBC, NFPA Codes, SUBMITTALS....*Specified (CCS, CDT, RSW)*
- Properly ***Coordinated & Installed***
  - FCIA Member, FM 4991, or UL *Qualified Contractors*
- Properly ***Inspected***
  - ASTM E 2174 & ASTM E 2393, by IAS *Qualified Inspectors at IAS AC 291 Accredited Inspection Firms*
- Properly ***Maintained & Managed*** –
  - FCIA Member, FM 4991, or UL Qualified, IAS Accredited Firms

# FCIA DIIM & Firestopping @ Barrier Management Symposium

- Free Subscription to Life Safety Digest
  - Email to
- Specifications @ FCIA.org,



# Effective Compartmentation is a SYSTEM







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Firestop Contractors International Association

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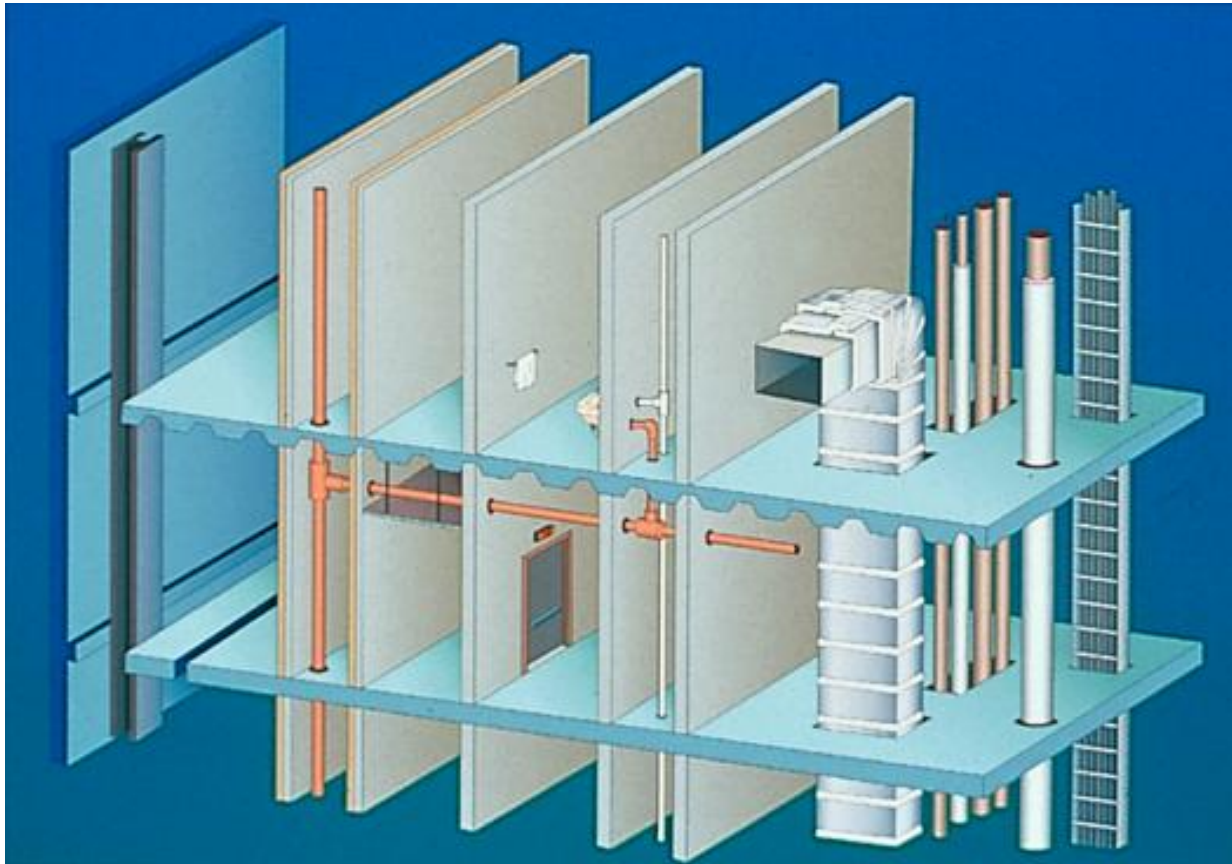
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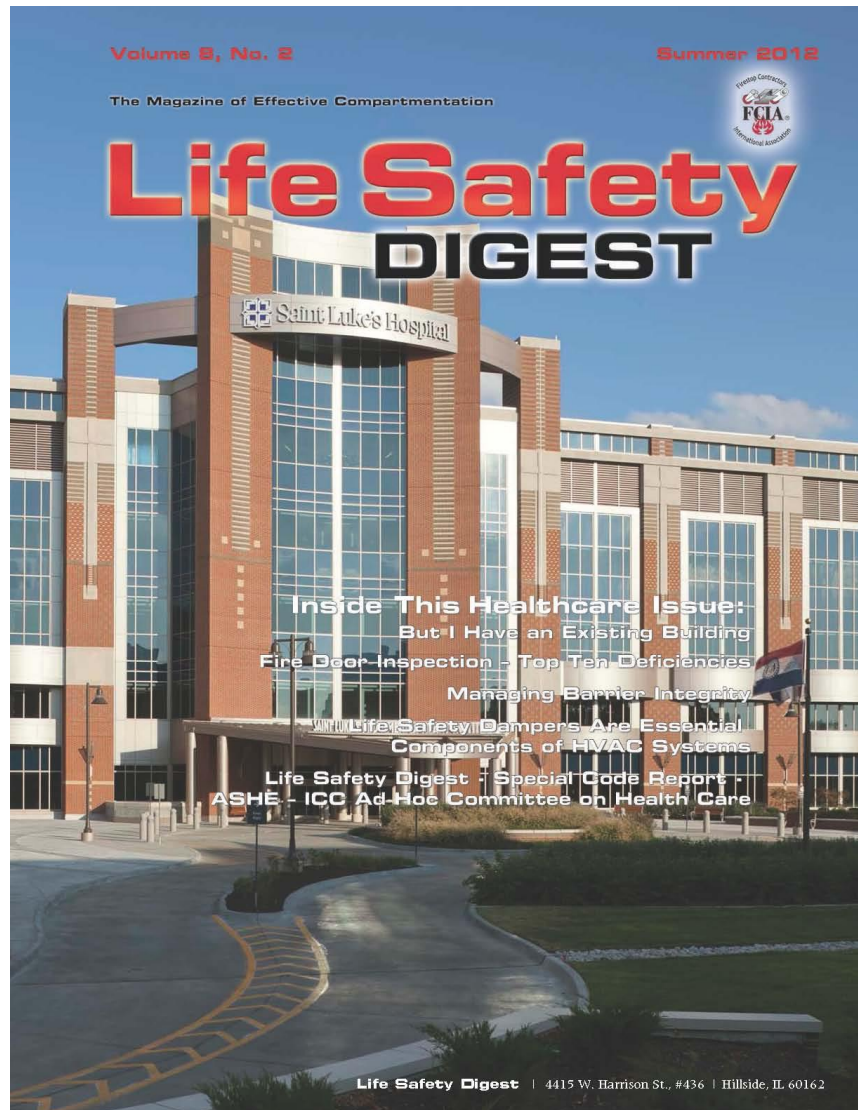
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# M – Maintenance (& Management)



# Barrier Management Begins when new construction ends...



# Firestop Maintenance

- **Maintenance**
  - Code Required
  - How??
- **How to keep Track – Barrier Management Initiatives**
  - Paper
  - Software
  - Labeling



# National Fire Protection Association - NFPA 101-2012

- **SECTION 4.5.8 Maintenance, Inspection, and Testing.**
- **4.5.8.1** **Whenever or wherever any device**, equipment, system, condition, arrangement, level of protection, fire-resistive construction, or any other feature **is required for compliance** with the provisions of this Code, **such device**, equipment, system, condition, arrangement, level of protection, fire-resistive construction, or other feature **shall thereafter be continuously maintained** in accordance with applicable NFPA requirements or requirements developed as part of a performance-based design, or as directed by the AHJ. [101:4.6.12.1]



# National Fire Protection Association - NFPA 101-2012

- **4.5.8.2** No existing life safety feature shall be removed or reduced where such feature is a requirement for new construction. [101:4.6.12.2]
- **4.5.8.3\*** Existing life safety features **obvious to the public**, if not required by the Code, shall be either maintained or removed. [101:4.6.12.3]
- **4.5.8.4** Any device, equipment, system, condition, arrangement, level of protection, fire-resistive construction, or any other feature requiring periodic testing, inspection, or operation to ensure its maintenance shall be tested, inspected, or operated as specified elsewhere in this Code or as directed by the AHJ. [101:4.6.12.4]
- **4.5.8.5** Maintenance, inspection, and testing shall be performed under the supervision of a responsible person who shall ensure that testing, inspection, and maintenance are made at specified intervals in accordance with applicable NFPA standards or as directed by the AHJ. [101:4.6.12.5]

# International Fire Code Maintenance



## SECTION 703 FIRE-RESISTANCE-RATED CONSTRUCTION

**703.1 Maintenance.** The required fire resistance rating of fire-resistance rated construction (including walls, fire stops, shaft enclosures, partitions, smoke barriers, floors, fire resistive coatings and sprayed fire resistant materials applied to structural members and fire resistive joint systems) shall be maintained. Such elements shall be visually inspected by the owner annually and properly repaired, restored or replaced when damaged, altered, breached or penetrated.

**Openings** made therein for the passage of pipes, electrical conduit, wires, ducts, air transfer openings, **and holes** made for any reason shall be protected with approved methods capable of resisting the passage of smoke and fire.

# UAE Fire and Life Safety Code of Practice

## Maintenance & Management

### Chapter 1, SECTION 21 Firestopping

21.15.2 The required fire resistance rating of installed firestop systems shall be *visually inspected by the owner or owner's inspection agency annually.* Damaged, altered or breached firestop systems shall be properly repaired, restored or replaced to comply with applicable codes as per the guidelines of Civil defense.

21.15.3 Any new **Openings** made therein for the passage of through penetrants, **shall be protected with approved firestop system** to comply with applicable codes as per the guidelines of Civil defense.

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- *Division B – Part 2, Building and Occupant Fire Safety*  
**2.2.1.2 – Damage to Fire Separations** – where *fire separations* are damaged so as to affect their integrity, they shall be repaired so that the integrity of the *fire separation* is maintained...
- **City of Calgary – Best Practices (1997)**
- **FCIA Manual of Practice – Appendix, Maintenance**  
FCIA recommends Barrier Management for Effective Compartmentation and Structural Protection
- **Best Practice Guide - NRC**

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