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            Bill McHugh, FCIA | Jim Olshesky, ASTM International

1710-1735  Introduction & Perspectives

1735-1820  Standards Used in Fire-Resistance & Smoke Resistant Assemblies  
            Abhishek Chhabra, Thomas Bell-Wright | Rich Walke, Retired UL, CTI/FCIA
            This session looks at the Standards for Firestop Systems, Fire Doors, Fire/Fire-Smoke Dampers, Fire-Resistance-Rated Glazing, and the Fire-Resistance-Rated Walls and Floors. Learn about the common elements amongst the ASTM standards.

1820-1845  Standards, Qualification Programs for Specialty Firestop Installation Contractors & Special Inspection Agencies  
            Ruben Sandoval, UL | Bill McHugh, FCIA | Joseph Nunes, FM Approvals
            After the products are fire tested, delivered to the jobsite, the construction process has to provide quality installations. The FM 4991, Standard for the Approval of Firestop Contractors, UL Qualified Firestop and SFRM Contractor Programs, and IAS AC 291 Accreditation Criteria for inspection Agencies, all result in a high standard for contractor and inspection agency quality, for safe buildings.

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International Fire Code – NFPA 1, NFPA 101 – and Maintaining Protection  
*Bill McHugh FCIA & Rich Walke, CTI, consultant to FCIA*

During this session, learn how the worldwide codes that govern existing buildings specify how the building owner and manager will maintain fire-resistance through continuous protection.

1740-1805  
ICC Codes, Barrier Management & Existing Buildings  
*Mohamed Ahmer, ICC; Bill McHugh, FCIA*

Fire safety in existing buildings is critical to protecting people in buildings. Learn how this is being accomplished

1805-1845  
Fire-Resistance in Buildings – Perimeter Fire Containment, Part of Total Fire Protection  
*Adrian Brown*

1845-1900  
Question & Answer Session