IFC FALL UPDATE

Firestop Industry Conference & Trade Show
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Scottsdale, AZ
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• Overall, 2012 I-Code cycle was very successful
  – Several important initiatives were a success
  – Preservation of existing code requirements or improvement of existing language
• IFC commends FCIA on sending Bill Koffel
  – Bill is extremely credible and well-respected
  – Helps enhance the industry as a whole
• IFC is looking at the 2015 I-Code cycle and identifying key areas to focus on
  – We’ll be in touch with FCIA’s code committee to coordinate efforts
  – A very positive relationship has developed between our respective code committees and code committee chairs
• IFC Standard activities are user-driven
  – Communication and feedback is key
  – Enhanced synergy between FCIA and IFC
• Key initiatives include:
  – Environmental exposure testing and aging continues to be an active standard
  – Movement of penetrating items
  – Joints between rated walls and non-rated roof or floor assemblies
  – Tackling the issue of sealant shrinkage through the UL STP process
  – Establishment of task group to develop a standard on firestop product and system usage to create a Guide on use of such products and best practices to mitigate product failures
• IFC established a Canadian Codes & Standards Committee to focus on S115 and the National and Provincial building codes
  – John Scott, Roxul is the Chair
• S115
  – Continuing to focus on positive pressure for DWV plastic pipe to clarify requirements
  – Looking at adding provisions for testing curtain wall
• Code Work
  – Participated in the NBC process
  – Submitted change proposals on 50 Pa requirement to OBC to clarify where 50 Pa is required
EDUCATIONAL EFFORTS

• IFC continues to focus on educating code officials
  – Enforcement levels are higher in an educated market
  – Standards rise when people are watched
  – Benefits specialty firestop installers when standards improve
• College Modules were developed to provide community colleges with a curriculum on firestopping and passive fire protection
• IFC members trained over 500 inspectors this year at seminars both here and abroad
THANK YOU