

AUTOMATIC EXTINGUISHING COMMITTEE ROSTER

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PURPOSE: The Automatic Extinguishing Systems Advisory Committee (Committee) will provide a means of communication between CAL FIRE - Office of the State Fire Marshal, representatives of industry, state agencies, the fire service, and other stakeholders. The Committee will provide a forum for addressing Automatic Extinguishing Systems issues of statewide concern, share best practices, seek comments and specific input on programs and technical issues, and inform local agencies and the public of applicable new laws and regulations.

OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL PERSONNEL

Member	Title / Representation	Alternate Designee
Brice Bennett	Chairperson / Division Chief of Fire Engineering & Investigations	NA
Patricia Rock	Automatic Extinguishing Systems Program Coordinator	NA

CALIFORNIA FIRE SERVICE (4)

Member	Title / Representation	Alternate Designee
Jason McBroom	Fire Marshal /Alpine Fire Protection District	NA
Jose Colin	City of Suisun City Fire Department	NA
Chad Richardson	Captain I / Los Angeles Fire Department	NA
Ken Kwong	Sacramento City Fire Department	NA

UNION ASSOCIATION MEMBER (1) NON-UNION ASSOCIATION MEMBER (1)

Member	Title / Representation	Alternate Designee
Randy D. Roxson	Executive Director / Sprinkler Fitters Association of California	Roy Afusia USA Sprinkler Fitters Association
David Karrick	California American Fire Sprinkler Association (CAFSA)	Tyler Weisz California American Fire Sprinkler Association (CAFSA)

END USERS (2)

Member	Title / Representation	Alternate Designee
James Feld	University of California Berkeley Fire Protection Engineer (Retired)	NA
Travis Tyler	Director of Fire safety / California State University	Randy Scovill Campus Fire Marshal

MANUFACTURE/DISTRIBUTORS (3)

Member	Title / Representation	Alternate Designee
Edie Wade	Brooks Equipment	NA
James Knowles	Industrial Relations Manager/Amerex	Garth Embree Amerex
Allen Quirk	Founder & Senior Advisor / Rapid Fire Safety & Security / National Association of Fire Equipment Distribution (NAFED)	NA

ASSOCIATIONS (4)

Member	Title / Representation	Alternate Designee
Peter Hulin	National Fire Sprinkler Association (NFSA)	NA
Wayne Weisz	Sprinkler Association (AFSA)	NA
Vahe Zohrabian	California Fire Protection Coalition	Kim Stocking California Fire Protection Coalition
Mathew McCarrick	California Association of Life Safety & Fire Equipment	NA

INSTALLATION/CONTRACTORS (2) UNION (2) NON-UNION

Member	Title / Representation	Alternate Designee
Shelley Merrell	President & CFO / Integrated Fire & Safety	NA
Richard Eyssallenne	President / Black Bird Fire Protection	Julie Eyssallenne Black Bird Fire Protection
Kyle Howell	President / Kimble & Co.	NA
Brian Hutto	Vice President / Schmidt Fire Protection	NA

EDUCATION PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE (1) UNION (1) NON-UNION

Member	Title / Representation	Alternate Designee
Jeff Dixon	Sprinkler Fitters Local 483	Todd Barry Sprinkler Fitters Local 669
Amber Barrios	Associated Compliance & Training	NA