

Topical Outline

Nitrogen Inerting for Corrosion Control in Fire Sprinkler Systems Dry Pipe Nitrogen Inerting (DPNI) and Wet Pipe Nitrogen Inerting (WPNI)

A. Corrosion in Wet Pipe Fire Sprinkler Systems

- a. Root Causes for corrosion in wet pipe fire sprinkler systems
- b. The three pervasive myths regarding corrosion in fire sprinkler systems
- c. The problem with corrosion by-product solids

B. Corrosion in Dry/Pre-action Fire Sprinkler Systems

- a. Aggressive nature of oxygen corrosion in dry pipe systems
- b. Acid corrosion caused by condensate
- c. Why desiccant driers are a waste of money
- d. Corrosion in coolers and refrigerators
- e. The impact of corrosion by-products on sprinkler performance

C. Galvanized Pipe Corrosion

- a. Corrosion of zinc in galvanized steel piping
- b. Why MIC is never a problem in galvanized pipe
- c. Six reasons why galvanized steel tubing should not be used in fire sprinkler systems

D. Corrosion Assessments – Managing Risk and Developing a Corrosion Management Strategy

- a. Video scoping, pipe analysis, deposit analysis, water analysis, system analysis
- b. Fire sprinkler system analysis remediation (save the system)

E. Nitrogen Gas – The Ideal Solution for Corrosion Control in Fire Sprinkler Systems

- a. The **five options** for controlling corrosion in any industrial application
- b. Using nitrogen gas to remove corrosive gases from fire sprinkler water
- c. Dry Pipe Nitrogen Inerting (DPNI)
- d. Wet Pipe Nitrogen Inerting (WPNI)

F. Fire Code developments

- a. Changes in NFPA 13 Installation Guide regarding corrosion for 2013
- b. Changes in Unified Facilities Criteria (UFC-3-600-01)
- c. No more chemicals, no more antifreeze
- d. "C" Factor calculations for black steel and galvanized steel
- e. State Fire Marshall

G. FM Global developments

- a. 2-0 data sheet regarding corrosion nitrogen inerting
- b. Recent position paper

H. Nitrogen Generation System – continuous nitrogen with system venting

- a. Membrane Nitrogen Generators
- b. Portable Nitrogen Generators
- c. Pre-Engineered Nitrogen Generators
- d. In-Line Corrosion Monitoring in fire sprinkler systems

I. Case Studies

- a. WPNI Case Study Mission Critical Manufacturing
- b. WPNI and Remediation 20+ Year Old Structures
- c. DPNI in Mission Critical Data Centers, Big Box Retail, Parking Structures
- d. WPNI Multi-story wet pipe fire sprinkler systems