

ENGINEER AND CO-INVENTOR OF SHUTGUN SPEAKS TO CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS AT L.A. BUILD SHOW

(LOS ANGELES) January 23, 2017 – Appearing for his second time at the LA Build Show, Greg Patterson, President of Technicraft Product Design Inc., will be presenting to an audience of construction managers and building experts about the costs and fears associated with installing fire sprinkler systems on construction sites.

Accidental fire sprinkler activations are one of the most controversial challenges facing building sites today—partially because accidental activations of fire sprinkler heads can cause thousands of dollars in damages and project delays. As a direct result, some builders avoid installing automatic sprinkler systems for fear of damage and accidental discharge—but this can put both their employees and the building at risk.

Greg Patterson and his team have engineered a solution called Shutgun, fire sprinkler shut off tool. Greg will be delivering his presentation at **the BUILD Expo February Feb15** – **16, 2017 at 9:30am** – **11:30am**. This class will alert builders, contractors and construction personnel to the benefits of having a sprinkler system live on a construction site while providing cautionary measures for accidental activation.

"If anyone has been on a site where the sprinkler has been activated, they know the damage can be extensive. Construction Managers are faced with either having their site fire protected OR running the risk of accidental activation and creating more problems – well, now they have a solution that lets them mitigate both risks," said Patterson.

As an added safety feature, Shutgun's unique fusible link allows it to be left in place with the sprinkler system charged until the pipes can be drained and the head replaced, rather than turning off water to the building – thus giving you full-building fire protection despite the activation.

Shutgun has tools for all types of sprinkler head models including standard, semi-recessed or Concealed sprinklers "The Shutgun is insurance for a construction company and has proven its value in real life situations," said Patterson.

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More than 30,000 Shutguns have been sold worldwide and have become a toolbox staple for building, managers, construction companies and contractors worldwide. Developed with a Toronto District Fire Chief of 35 years, Shutgun is designed and tested to shut off activated fire sprinkler heads instantly. Shutgun models are engineered to shut off any types of sprinkler head model including pendant, semi-recessed, concealed and ½" or ¾" sprinklers that have had their arms sheared or broken off.

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