

Contribution of Research in Product Testing and Safety Design in Buildings



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FOCUSED TESTING AND CERTIFICATION meet rigorous loss prevention standards;

• Encouraging the development and use of Approve **DEPTH OF KNOWLEDGE** prove and advance property loss prevention practices.

Write Product Testing Standard



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Water Mist Systems

Class Number 5560 May 2005



Over 210 standards

- Based on Research
- Publicly Available for free through <u>www.fmapprovals.com</u>
- ANSI , OSHA, ASTM, BSI, EN, GB Recognized

Accelerators & Exhausters Air Pressure Maintenance Devices Anti-Flooding Device Air Drying Units for Refrigerated Area and Dry Pipe Systems Excess Pressure Pumps Waterflow Detector & Excess Pressure Maintenance Device Alarm Check Valves Waterflow Detectors (Vane Type) Testers for Vane Type Waterflow Indicators Fire Service Meters Waterflow Detector Check Valves Fire Pump Flowmeters Automatic Drip Valves Water Motor Gongs Sight Drains Sprinkler Contractors, General and Misc. Mfrs. Indicator Posts Indicator Post Valve Assembly Indicating Valves RIMO-Remote Indicating, Manually Operated Sprinkler Control Valves OS&Y and NRS Gate Valves Valves, General and Specifications Valves (Quick Open Type), Ball Valves NOVA-Normally Open Constant Energy to Close Valve Assembly Single Check Valves All Bronze Check Valves Backflow Preventers - Reduced Pressure Principle Type Anti-Water Hammer Check Valves 1/2 through1-1/4 in. Trim Check Valves Centrifugal Fire Pumps, Horizontal Split-Case Centrifugal Fire Pumps, Vertical Shaft, Turbine Type Positive Displacement Fire Pumps (Rotary Gear Type) Limited Service Fire Pumps Fire Pump Units - Gasoline Engine Driven Fire Pump Units - Portable Jockey Pumps Centrifugal Fire Pumps, End Suction Type Control Panels For Fire Pumps Fire Pump Controllers for Electric Motor Drive Fire Pump Controller Circuit Breakers Fire Pump Controllers for Diesel Engine Drive Battery Chargers for Fire Pump Service Batteries for Internal Combustion Engines Diesel Engines for Fire Pump Drive Gasoline Engines Gas Turbine Engines for Fire Pump Drive Pump Drive Couplings **Right Angle Gear Drives** Replacement Rubber Discs for Steam Fire Pumps Air Release Valves Trim Water Pressure Relief Valves 1/4 inch through 2 1/2 Inch Nom Size Water Pressure Relief Valves Water Pressure Reducing Valves Water Pressure Regulating Valves Surge Dampers (Fire Pumps) Vortex Inhibitors for Fire Pump Suction Lines Centrifugal Fire Pumps, Vertical Turbine Barrel Type Centrifugal Fire Pumps, In-Line Underwriter Playpipes Short Playpipes Monitor Nozzles Hydrants (Dry Barrel Type) for Private Fire Service Fire Hydrants (Wet Barrel Type) for Private Fire Service Hose Manifolds Hose Valves Angle Hose Valves Straightway Hose Valves Hydrant Valves, Bolted Type Hose Station Control Valves Fire Department Connections Wall Hydrants Pipe & Fittings & Couplings, Underground, Ductile Iron

Pipe & Fittings, Underground, Asbestos-Cement (AC)

Pipe & Fittings, Underground, Polyethylene (PE)

Pipe & Fittings, Underground, Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)

Pipe & Fittings, Underground, Fiber-Reinforced Composite (FRP)

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Electric Equipment - Class 1, Div. 2 - Non-Incendive

Electric Flashlights and Lanterns for use in Class I, Division 2, Zone

Encapsulation for Division 1

Specification Test Protocol for Impact Resistance Testing of Rigid Roofing Materials by Impacting with Freezer Ice Balls American National Standard for Evaluating the Simulated Wind Uplift Resistance of Roof Assemblies Using Static Positive and/or Class 1 Steep Slope Roof Coverings Spray Foam Insulated Steel Roof Deck ightweight Insulating Concrete Roof Deck Co Fire Endurance Tests Gypsum Wallboard Manufacturers FM Rated Wall and Partition Assemblies Acoustical Office Dividers and Partitions Floor/Ceiling Fire Endurance Tests Roof/Ceiling Fire-Endurance Tests FM Rated Floor/Roof and Ceiling Assemblies Suspended Ceilings Plastic Ceiling Panels Bein Call Schrance Tests Building Column Fire Endurance Tests Laboratory Research - FM, UL, SWRI FM Construction Materials Calorimeter Smoke Density and Toxicity FM Wall/Ceiling Channel Tests Class 1 Insulated Wall or Wall & Roof/Ceiling Panels, Plastic Interior Finish Materials, Plastic Exterior Building Panels, Wall/Ceiling Coating Systems, Interior or *Exterior Finish Systems Exterior Wall Systems Class 1 Interior Wall Panels in Smoke Sensitive Occupancies Insulation, Exposed Interior Poured-In Insulation Treated Cellulose - Loose Fill Insulation Mineral Insulation Foam - Plastic Packaging - Materials Third Party Certifications Material Explosion Characteristics Clean Room Materials Flammability Test Protocol Storage Tank Exterior Insulation Storage Tank, Hoaking Roof Ci in Sand Circuit Ecorptie Wilding ads, Welding Fran Work Operations Fire Retardant Treated Products (Other than Lumber) FM High Temperature Furnace Tests, General Fireproofing of Steel, High Hazards LPG Tank Fireproofing, Coatings ire Reterdant Paints and Coatings lastic silding Materials Doorway Spill Barriers Penetration Seal & Fire Stop First ap Contractors Expansion/Seismic Joint Systems Plastic Pallets and Totes Classification of Idle Plastic Pallets as Equivalent to Wood Pallets Water-Filled Extinguishers Wet Chemical Portable Fire Extinguisher - Class K - Rating Soda-Acid Extinguishers

Chemical Foam, Portable

Chemical-Foam Generators

Air-Foam

Foam Charges



Research and Testing Campus



Multimedia

Center

Natural Hazards Lab •EQ Lab

Hydraulics Lab

Electrical Lab

Water Treatment Capacity

Warehouse and Test Staging Building

Large Burn Lab

Fire Technology Lab

Materials Lab FM Approvals approves and certifies products and services with unique focus on:

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97 Scientists, Engineers and Technicians

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Fully Funded Internally!

Focused Research!

To develop new knowledge for property loss prevention that finds its way in our product testing standards.

To utilize new knowledge in standards in order to reduce the cost and cycle time to the manufacturing industry while maintaining technical integrity.

To significantly increase the number of FM Approved products, thus making our working environment a safer place.

Well Traveled Journey of R & D...... FM Approvals



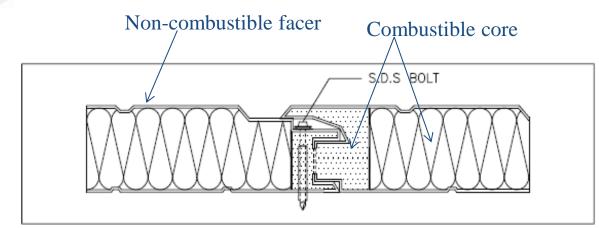




- Passive Fire Protection Wall and Ceiling testing
- Active Fire Protection Water Mist Applications

FM 4880 - Class 1 walls and ceilings

Do not need automatic sprinkler system to protect the building envelope.





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Class 1 Fire Rating of Insulated Wall or Wall and Roof/Ceiling Panels, Interior Finish Materials or Coatings, and Exterior Wall Systems

Class Number 4880 May 2010

1973 – 1989 Walls certified only up to 30 ft (9.1 m)

- Had to pass the 25 ft (7.6 m) full scale fire test
- Success criteria: Fire does not spread to any extremities of structure in 15 minutes



1987 – 1994 Wall certification extended for unlimited height

- Had to pass the 25 ft (7.6 m) full scale fire test
- Then had to run 50 ft (15.2 m) full scale test
- Success criteria:
 - If fire spreads to the ceiling, approval for 50ft only
 - If fire does not spread to ceiling, unlimited height

Cost of \$280,000

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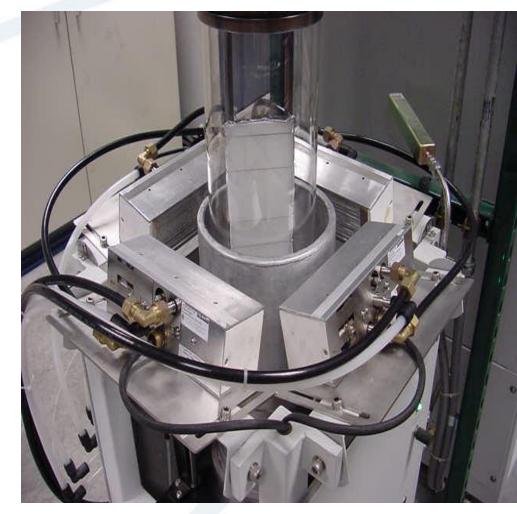
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1994 Introduced: Fire Propagation Apparatus (FPA) (ASTM E2058)

Screening test using 10cm x 40cm sample

Easy, fast, accurate and inexpensive to run tests

1994 – Introduced Room Test ISO 17025



Up to 30 ft (9.1 m) height

<u>1973 – 1994</u>

- 25 ft (7.6m) full scale test
- Cost of \$140,000

1994 – present

- 10cm x40cm sample in FPA
- ISO room test
- Cost of \$45,000

Unlimited height 1989 – 1994

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- 25 ft (7.6m) full scale test
- 50 ft (15.6m) full scale test
- Cost of \$280,000

1994 – 2009

- 10cm x 40cm sample in FPA
- ISO room test
- 50 ft (15.6m) full scale test
- Cost of \$180,000

In late 1990s begun research activities to attempt to:

 Eliminate 50 ft full scale corner test relying on <u>empirical</u> <u>correlations</u> (not expert opinion) between <u>parallel</u> <u>panel (ANSI FM 4910)</u> experimental data and actual full scale 50 ft corner test data

• Introduce natural hazards testing such as weathering, hail, wind, windblown debris and corrosion

Parallel Panel Test – ANSI FM 4910

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Success

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Unlimited height

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\$280,000

- FPA
- ISO room test
- Parallel panel test
- Cost of \$75,000
- No Full Scale Fire Tests due to correlation of large scale to small and intermediate scale data!
- Reduction in FM Approvals cycle time from over a year to 3 -4 months
- Reduction time to manufacturer is significant in the development phase due to the availability of screening tests.



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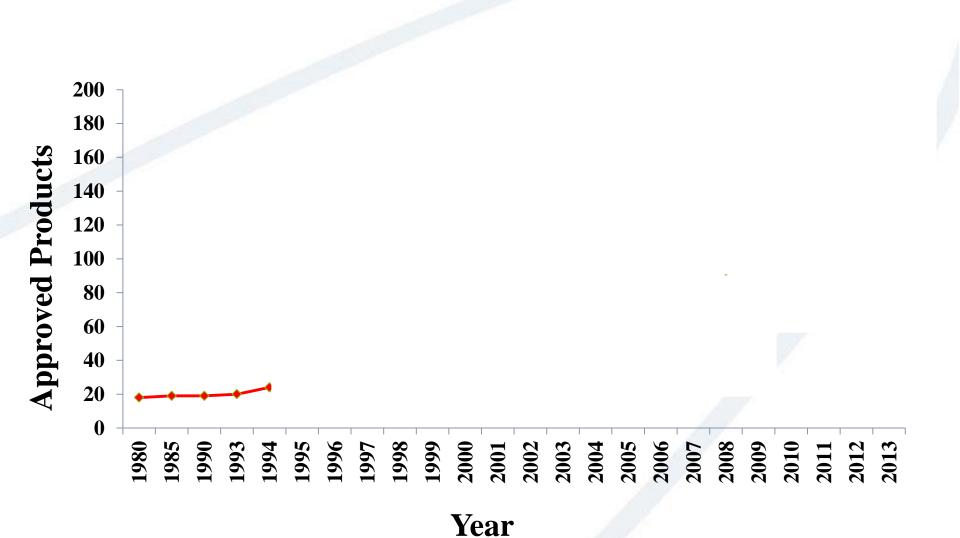
Unlimited height

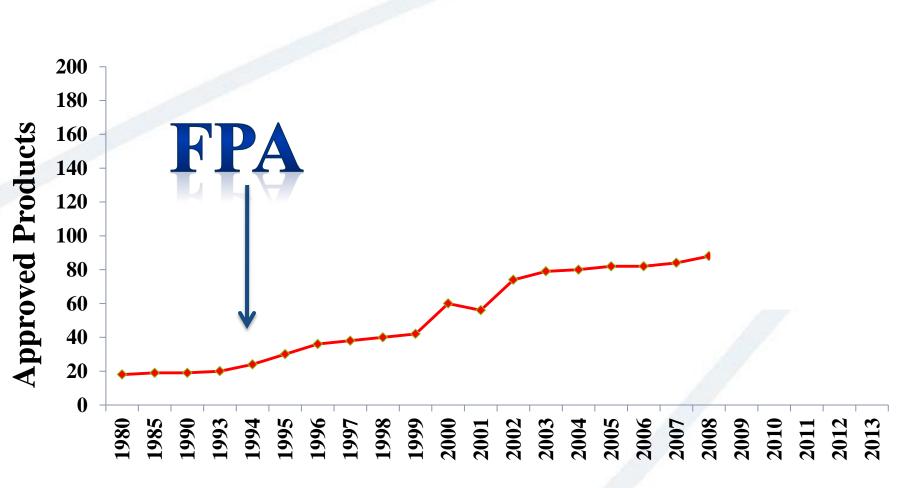
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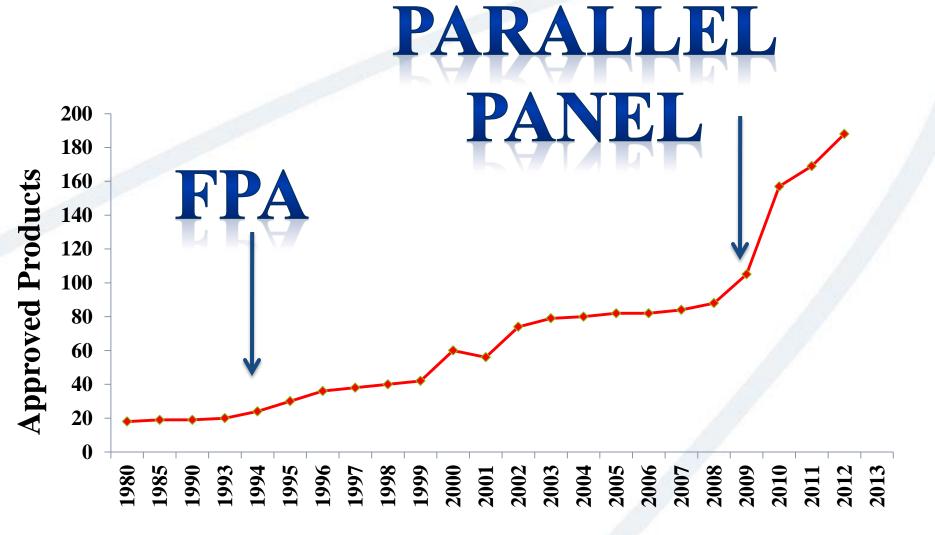




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Year





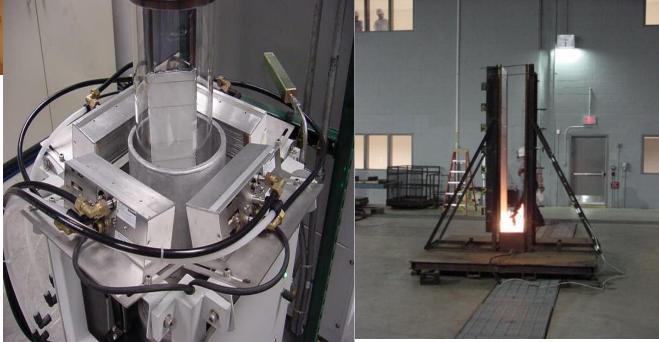
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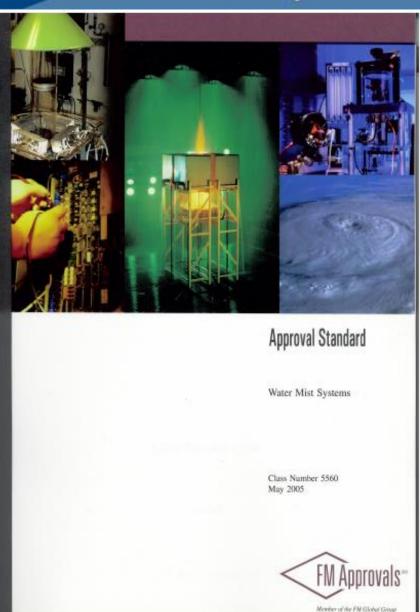
41 year journey

Full Scale Mechanism 1973 CE



Water Mist Systems Certification

- First Application in 1995
- ANSI/FM 5560
- Continuously update standard with new applications
- All applications full scale tested
- Cost of one application about \$130,000 (total flooding)

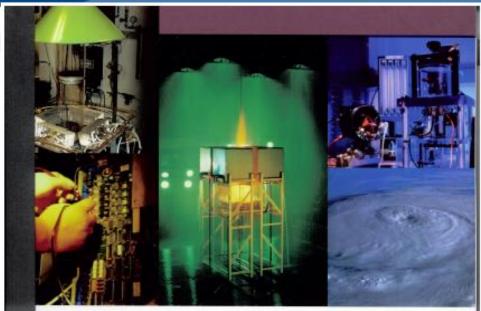


Water Mist Certified Applications

CURRENT APPLICATIONS

- Chemical Fume Hoods
- Combustion Turbines in Enclosures Volumes Not Exceeding 2825 ft³ (80 m³) Volumes Not Exceeding 9175 ft³ (260 m³) Volumes Exceeding 9175 ft³ (260 m³)
- Computer Room Raised / Sub Floors
- Continuous Wood Board Presses
 Industrial Oil Cookers
 Local Application
- Machinery in Enclosures

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- Non-Storage Occupancies , Hazard Category 1 (HC-1) [Formerly Designated As Light Hazard Occupancies]
- Wet Benches and Other Similar Processing Equipment



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Water Mist Systems Certification



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Full Scale Testing

Water Mist Systems Research

Have been working in an attempt to reduce testing from large scale to intermediate scale for total flooding water mist applications. New approach includes:

- Nozzle water droplet characterization (drop size distribution, droplet momentum, spray angle/pattern, etc.)
- Well mixed model the use of a proprietary model to identify potential for success of a particular nozzle protecting a particular application (screening)
- Scaling methodology to scale down the large scale fire tests. The scale could be 1/2 or 1/3 of previous large scale fire tests.



Benefits to Industry

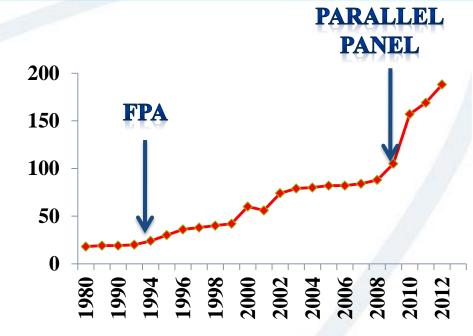
- Initial reduction in cost by approximately 30%
- Expected initial reduction in FM Approvals cycle time by approximately 20%.
- Potential reduction time to manufacturer could be significant in the development phase due to the screening test availability.
- Potential reduction in required number of reduced scale tests in the future (after gaining some experience)
- Ultimately increase the number of certified applications!

Why Invest in Research?



To develop new knowledge

To utilize new knowledge



To significantly increase the number of FM Approved products, thus making our working environment a safer place.

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FUTURE APPLICATIONS

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 Equipment

- Cable Spreading Room / Cable Tunnels
- CNC Machines
- Combustion Turbine Large Spray Fire
- Combustion Turbine Re-ignition Fire (Decaying Pressure System)
- Conveyor Belts
- Data Centers / Data Processing Equipment Rooms
- Engine Test Cells
- Flight Simulators
- Flue Gas Oil Coolers
- Ignitable Liquid Storage / Cut-Off Rooms
- Industrial Exhaust Ducts
- Kitchen Cooking Surfaces / Hoods / Ducts
- Libraries
- Off-Road Vehicles
- Ordinary Occupancy Hazard Group I
- Paint Spray Booths
- Paper Machine / Paper Machine Dryer Hoods
- Printing Presses
- Rack Storage
- Semiconductor Mini-Environments
- SX Plants Ignitable Liquid Pool / Tank (Local Application)
- Ventilated Emergency Generators



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