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### **KOFFEL ASSOCIATES ACQUIRES THE CODE CONSORTIUM**

Koffel Associates, Inc. is pleased to announce the acquisition of The Code Consortium....a fire protection engineering consulting practice.

Previously owned and operated in California by newly-retired Rick Thornberry, a seasoned fire protection engineer and long-time proponent of codes and standards designed to enhance and protect buildings and lives, Rick's former clients who are now Koffel Associates' clients include the American Pyrotechnics Association (since 1952 encouraging safety in design and use of all fireworks, and promoting responsible regulation of the fireworks industry ), Trespa (a manufacturer of a composite exterior wall panel system), and 3A Composites (a manufacturer of an MCM exterior wall panel).

Koffel Associates' employees have a long-standing commitment to participate in, and provide leadership service for, the development, management, growth and valuable work of the fire protection industry's professional organizations and governing entities. The acquisition of The Code Consortium supports the company vision and mission.

Growing at a steady rate for the past five years, Koffel Associates recently relocated to new offices in Columbia, MD, and remains easily accessible to regional airports as well as national and international clients.

#### **ABOUT KOFFEL ASSOCIATES**

Koffel Associates is a small business, fire protection and life safety engineering design and consulting firm, recognized as an expert in the fire protection and life safety aspects of codes and standards. Headquartered in the Baltimore-Washington metropolitan area, Koffel provides consulting; engineering design & construction administration; codes & standards development; seminar development & training; product testing & evaluation / representation; and litigation support to public and private clients worldwide. Since 1986, Koffel Associates' team of industry leaders and staff—fire protection engineers; registered engineers; NICET-certified technicians; code officials; and authorized National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and International Code Council (ICC) trainers—have met the design and consulting needs of its clients.

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