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MBMA Guide for Inspecting Metal Building Systems Now Available

CLEVELAND, OHIO – www.mbma.com: The Metal Building Manufacturers Association (MBMA) has released its new *Guide for Inspecting Metal Building Systems*, a resource intended for use by individuals who are responsible for contracting, performing, and reporting the various inspection tasks related to the construction of a metal building project.

This comprehensive guide is available for online purchase, in print or PDF format, at www.techstreet.com/mbma. Its target audience consists of general contractors and erectors, design professionals, building officials, owner's representatives, and others who are involved in project delivery.

Expert input for the new guide was provided by MBMA members as well as representatives from the Metal Building Contractors and Erectors Association. The result is a publication designed to help eliminate misunderstandings and lead to shorter punch lists, faster project delivery, and high-quality construction of metal buildings.

Depending on the project and jurisdiction, building code and contractually required inspections may be necessary, as well as other inspections such as owner acceptance and insurance evaluations. The scope of the new guide focuses primarily on inspecting newly constructed metal building systems, including primary framing, secondary framing, and metal roof and wall cladding. It also overviews standards on materials common to the building envelope, such as windows, doors, skylights, and insulation materials.

Dustin Cole, PE, serves on MBMA's Technical Committee and chaired the task group that developed the new MBMA handbook. He will present information on this new publication at the 2016 METALCON convention to be held Oct. 26-28 in Baltimore, Md.

He will also discuss the unique qualities of metal buildings, focusing on the function of components that comprise metal building systems and inspection requirements found in the building code.

“Modern metal buildings have evolved into a popular choice for just about every building type because they are highly attractive structures that can be adapted to virtually every end-use imaginable. As metal building projects and building codes continue to grow more complex, inspection becomes more necessary and expected. Knowing what is required and what to look for when performing an inspection helps reduce delays and decreases costs,” says Dan Walker, PE, Associate General Manager of MBMA. “The Metal Building Manufacturer Association’s new *Guide for Inspecting Metal Building Systems* will benefit anyone who is responsible for evaluating new or existing metal building construction.”

The guide can be purchased now at www.techstreet.com/MBMA for \$60 for non-members and \$36 for MBMA members.

Founded in 1956, MBMA serves manufacturers and suppliers as it works to promote the metal building systems industry. For 60 years, its membership has supplied high-quality buildings for use in commercial, retail, office, industrial, institutional and other end-uses. The association provides a wealth of useful information on its website, www.mbma.com, for anyone who works with or is interested in metal building systems. It includes technical materials and design guides.

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