

PRESIDENT’S SPECIAL MESSAGE – To All CASA Members

Across Canada and across the entire world we are faced with the challenge of our generation. The impact of Covid-19 is changing daily, even hourly at the outset. CASA’s concern for the health of our members is paramount as is our concern for the industry of life safety. Please check regularly the CASA website under the “**MEDIA**” section <http://www.casa-firesprinkler.org/media/> and follow our CASA social media feed <https://twitter.com/CASAFS> to receive the most current available information. Our Regional Managers will continue to remain connected with our members and our industry partners across the country and will share any new information as it becomes available.

As we face challenges for construction in general, so do most business plans and labour management issues for fire sprinkler contractors. Your CASA Board of Directors have met and have given staff direction on a number of key issues. While CASA field staff are currently working remotely and we have limited office staff, we’ve also restricted all visitors at this time based on the recommendations from health professionals. That being said, we continue to respond and assist members through this unprecedented time and where possible conduct CASA business through electronic means.

Based on all of the latest information CASA has made the decision to postpone the 2020 CASA Annual Conference in Ottawa, ON June 19th -23rd, and all additional symposiums, educational seminars, apprenticeship classes, trustee meetings, and regional membership meetings until further notice. Please note that all registrations and or sponsors who have already registered for the CASA Annual Conference or other CASA events will be issued a full refund in the coming days. CASA staff are currently working with the Westin Hotel to confirm the re-scheduling of the CASA Annual Conference in Ottawa, ON for 2023. We appreciate your understanding and patience during these times.

While we follow government direction on our restricted interaction, CASA will continue to communicate with our members and industry partners on a regular basis to continue to represent and serve the Canadian Fire Sprinkler Industry. CASA has joined with other associations and directly written to various levels of government for direction and assistance, both with regulations and financial assistance for our industry. We will be keeping members informed as we receive responses from all levels of government on issues relevant to the Sprinkler industry.

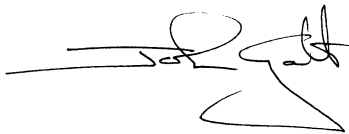
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While our trade is currently deemed an essential service in some Provinces and functioning in various ways in others, CASA is maintaining contact with our industry partners both public and private to completely implement a professional and orderly resumption of full business activities once authorities recommend that it is safe to do so. So much of what we have accomplished as an industry over the last few decades has been as a result of our spirit of co-operation and unity of purpose and focus. As previous generations came through global conflicts and emergencies, we too must remain united and care about each other and our commitment to life safety.

Stay safe and healthy,



John Galt CAE
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