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TECHNICAL GLASS PRODUCTS LAUNCHES ONLINE AIA DISTANCE EDUCATION COURSE ON FIRE-RATED GLASS AND FRAMING

KIRKLAND, Wash. – Expanding its educational outreach to design professionals, Technical Glass Products (TGP) now offers convenient, on-demand Web access to its popular AIA-registered course “Burning Issues: Understanding Today’s Fire-Rated Glass and Framing.” Previously only available for AIA continuing education credit as part of in-person lunch-and-learn presentations, architects can now complete the course entirely online at TGP’s Web site www.fireglass.com.

The online course is designed to educate design professionals on the various categories of fire-rated glazing products and how to determine which materials are suitable for a given application. The course also addresses design innovations in fire-rated glazing materials, recent code changes and how they impact design, and the effect of security concerns on specifying fire-rated glass.

Hosted by Grant Goodeve, the online course consists of five video modules, informational text, and a brief test - all taking approximately one hour to complete. Test scores of 80 percent or higher will earn participants 1.0 Health, Safety and Welfare (HSW) learning unit hour in AIA’s Continuing Education System (CES). The AIA requires its members to complete 18 continuing education hours per year, of which at least eight hours must be in the HSW category.

AIA members can take the free course at any time and any place that Internet access is available. TGP will provide participants who receive a passing score with a certificate of completion and will submit their results directly to AIA for credit.

For qualified architecture firms that desire an in-person presentation with AIA CES credit on the topic of fire-rated glass and framing, lunch-and-learn presentations can still be requested from TGP by visiting <http://fireglass.com/learn>. Participants can take both the online course, and the in-person course and receive credit for both.

About Technical Glass Products

Technical Glass Products (TGP) is your one source for fire-rated glass and framing systems, along with specialty architectural glass products. The company offers AIA registered continuing education, project consultation, product specifications, CAD drawings and rapid-response quoting. For more information about TGP's products and services, call (800) 426-0279 or visit www.fireglass.com (fire-rated glass) or www.tgpamerica.com (architectural glass).