

NEBFM 2024 CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

DAY 1 - TUESDAY, APRIL 23RD

Session 1

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Roof Snow Load Monitoring

Chris Collings / Sales, Product Development / Safe Roof Systems

This Talk discusses wintertime roof loading and the related workplace hazards. Review of safe snow removal practices, including electronic monitoring solutions.

Learning Objectives: 1. Safe Snow Removal Practices 2. Workplace Hazards related to roof loading

Session 2

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Disaster Planning / Safety / Mold & Asbestos

Nick Vilandre, Project Director & Paula Solemina, NE Regional Manager
BluSky Restoration

We will discuss planning for an event or disaster such as a fire, water intrusion, mold, asbestos and emergency services.

Learning Objectives: To help Regionals, Maintenance and property managers understand what the process looks like during each event, how to prepare for any of these events and the subsequent actions that should be taken once an event happens. Discussion on safety procedures and state regs.

Session 3

10:45 AM - 11:45 AM

Mastering Asset Management & Optimizing Efficiency

David Trask, National Director, ARC Facilities

Managing assets is challenging, but it's compounded with the current labor shortage. Asset lists can be off by 20-40%, resulting in garbage in, garbage out. FCA's capture equipment condition, but they often miss assets all together. Is your building's asset inventory truly field-verified?

Learning Objectives:

1. Learn the importance of accurate data BEFORE an FCA is performed.
2. Learn how to create a central repository of facility equipment data, which can be shared among team members, vendors, and updated in real time
3. Understand why accurate equipment data is a critical component of budgetary planning.

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Don't Risk It! How to Maximize Your Fire Protection Systems & Avoid Costly Issues

Peter Particelli, VP of Project Management & Construction
Fire Equipment, Inc. (FEI)

We'll take a look at all main areas of fire protection and discuss what facility managers and business owners need to know to avoid unnecessary expenses, issues and hidden dangers with their fire alarm systems, sprinkler systems, special hazard system, kitchen suppression, alarm monitoring, etc. We'll also discuss emerging trends and hot topics that are impacting facility managers today (i.e. code updates, Li-ion battery storage, AFFF dangers and solutions, etc.)

Learning Objectives:

1. Learn what building and facility managers need to consider to ensure a building is code compliant, protected, and safe from a fire.
2. Emerging trends, technologies, hot topics that are impacting fire protection for facilities today and in the future.
3. What building owners and facility managers should consider when managing their fire protection systems.
4. Other hot topics being discussed in the fire protection industry and how it may impact building and facility managers.

Session 5

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Pipe Freezing in Commercial & Industrial Facilities

Kayla Anderson, Chief Operations Officer, Cryo Tech Pipe Freezing, Inc.;
David Anderson, Chief Executive Officer, Cryo Tech Pipe Freezing, Inc.

In this presentation you will learn all about pipe freezing and how you can apply this process to future projects.

Pipe freezing not only prevents shut downs, it is a cost effective and environmentally friendly option that will keep your projects on Schedule.

Session 6

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Enhancing Security with Verkada: A Comprehensive Solution

Aiden Chenard, Channel Sales Manager New England, Verkada

Verkada is the largest cloud-based B2B physical security platform company in the world. Only Verkada offers six product lines: video security cameras, access control, environmental sensors, alarms, workplace and intercoms, integrated with a single cloud-based software platform.

Learning Objectives:

1. Who is Verkada?
2. What Makes Verkada's Physical Security Suite different?
3. Who needs these types of Solutions?

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1:15 PM - 2:15 PM

HVAC Water Treatment – Best Defense Plan for Your Facility

Russell Baskin, President
Tower Water

The presentation demonstrates how expert partners like Tower Water allow facilities to optimize equipment lifespan, efficiency, and risk reduction - Maintaining safe, efficient building water systems through proper testing, treatment, training, and communication.

Best practices for performance measurement, staff responsibilities, and partner selection.

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand key performance indicators to measure water treatment efficacy such as clarity, odor, filter function, corrosion levels, and service consistency.
2. Learn best practices for defending against violations like partnering with qualified professionals, executing water safety plans, training staff, and utilizing smart documentation tools.
3. Recognize the importance of proper water treatment for maximizing equipment lifespan, improving efficiency, avoiding risks like Legionella, and justifying the investment through long-term savings.
4. Identify responsibilities of in-house staff for inspections, testing, inventory, cleanings, record-keeping and value of expert partners like Tower Water.

Session 8

1:15 PM - 2:15 PM

Commission the Building Systems

John Penney, President
JFP Consulting Services

The session will discuss the benefits of commissioning building systems and the different approaches to the commissioning process. The focus will be on New and Existing Building Commissioning, Monitoring Based Commissioning and Ongoing Commissioning. We will explore the cost benefits and the energy savings commissioning can help to achieve.

Learning Objectives:

1. How does commissioning make a difference in the performance of buildings?
2. What are the best practices of commissioning a building?
3. How commissioning is implemented in an overall plan to reduce operational issues and save energy?

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Session 9

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

OSHA Updates 2024

Brett Fortin, Compliance Assistance Specialist, OSHA;
Peter Barletta, Compliance Assistance Specialist, OSHA

This talk will cover OSHA's Top 10 violations, accident and fatality trends and current OSHA enforcement and compliance assistance programs affecting the building facilities industry to help you recognize and eliminate hazards in your workplace thus reducing risk to your workers and business.

Learning Objectives:

1. Learn how OSHA can be beneficial to safely running and maintaining your facilities.
2. Improve hazard recognition and avoid costly accidents at your establishments and job sites.
3. Develop a greater understanding of the importance of creating and implementing an effective establishment safety and health program leading to a better safety trained maintenance and facilities staff.

Session 10

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

Sustainable Cleaning: Improving the Health & Safety of Your Facility with Toxic-Free Chemicals

Joshua Schwartz, Co-Executive Team, Viking Pure Solutions

Commonly used cleaning chemicals can cause respiratory issues, cancer, and a host of health problems for building maintenance staff and others. Electrolyzed water is a non-toxic and sustainable solution, offering a safer and eco-friendly alternative for cleaning and disinfecting your facilities.

Learning Objectives:

1. Identify the health risks of commonly used cleaning products & activities that increase risk of harm.
2. Discover the emerging trend of electrolyzed water & advantages over the status quo for cleaning.
3. Interpret the health, sustainability & other benefits of e-water cleaning & disinfecting solutions.
4. Implement a more effective and sustainable approach to cleaning and disinfecting your facility.

Session 11

10:45 AM – 11:45 AM

Designing Touchless Solutions for Proper Hand Hygiene in Commercial Restrooms

Paul Marquez, Global Head of Specifications
& Sustainability, Excel Dryer

This talk will explore how commercial restroom design can reduce touchpoints, promote proper hand hygiene and reduce the spread of infection.

Learning Objectives:

1. Identify how to design a touchless, hygienic restroom environment that supports health and wellbeing.
2. Define proper hand hygiene techniques and the role it plays in commercial restroom design.
3. Detail how including hand dryers in your commercial restroom design can mitigate the spread of germs improving workplace health and safety.
4. Recognize key sustainability attributes of hand dryers, and the future evolution of commercial restroom design.

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ROI of Clean Air

Dinesh Wadhvani, CEO
ThinkLite, LLC

In this deep-dive session, participants will learn how any organization can calculate its return on investment (ROI) for IAQ improvement initiatives. Participants will leave the session having understood the opportunity costs between capital and operational expenditures, investments for increased revenue opportunities, and occupant safety & wellness. Achieving the right balance has never been this critical.

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand how to identify the key IAQ inputs & metrics related to the valuation of energy costs.
2. Acknowledge the mechanical inputs of a building's HVAC system required to build an effective IAQ ROI model.
3. Learn how to quantify labor productivity returns and financial impacts on wellness.
4. Estimate the cost-savings of implementing an IAQ monitoring & purification program within a project boundary.

Session 13

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

The Journey of Axis Analytics

John DeVito, Regional Sales Manager, Axis Communications

This year we've turned 40 as an organization. In this session we will show you where Axis video analytics started, what technology we have right now and where we are headed in years to come. From smarter security to outside of the box solutions, analytics are the future.

Learning Objectives:

1. Get a background of Axis Communications
2. Understand where we started in the security industry
3. Dive into our current set of video analytic technology
4. See what will be coming out as we continue to innovate

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EV Charging for Facilities Managers

Daniel Saia, Director of Operations
Coral EV

This presentation will dive into the questions to ask as a facilities manager who may be asked to implement electric vehicle charging at their facility. Learn about the electrical requirements, installation requirements and incentives available.

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand the requirements for installing EV chargers.
2. Learn the different levels of EV charging.
3. Gain knowledge of incentives and grants available for adding EV charging.

Session 15

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

New England Onsite Energy Technical Assistance Partnership

Matt Davis, Director, New England Onsite Energy Technical Assistance Partnership

Overview of energy uses in US and how they are changing - i.e. historical and future sources of electricity and energy to explain where energy use is transitioning towards.

Learning Objectives:

1. Industry transition to onsite energy and value of having energy production at a facility.
2. Federal and state incentives available to large energy users and manufacturers.
3. Available technologies that are ready to deploy now.