

The Direct Connection



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Can Backflow Testers legally conduct Customer Service Inspections (Cross Connection Surveys) if the Water Purveyor approves?

We are hearing of some water purveyors occasionally requesting a Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester (BPAT) to locate and test all the backflow prevention assemblies within a facility, due to the purveyor not having records of all assemblies. The BPAT does what the water purveyor requested, and goes through the facility, locates and tests all the backflow preventers they find.

The BPAT misses one! The following year or so a contamination event occurs through the assembly that was not found by the tester. Who's responsible and Liable? The tester was told by the purveyor to "locate and test all assemblies". Who could be held responsible and liable in this situation? The Tester and/or the Water Purveyor?

Second Scenario: The Water Purveyor requests the BPAT to conduct a CSI (Cross Connection Survey) within a facility. The BPAT does this and misses an unprotected cross connection or doesn't recognize the cross connection. A backflow contamination event occurs through the unprotected cross connection and contaminated the potable water system. Who could be held responsible and liable in this situation? The Tester and/or the Water Purveyor?

Question - Is going through a facility and locating all existing backflow prevention assemblies considered the same as conducting a Customer Service Inspection?

TCEQ (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) has developed a special license for those conducting Cross Connection Surveys. This is the Customer Service Inspector (CSI) license and Water Supply Protection Specialist (WSPS), an endorsement on Plumbing licenses. The CSI and WSPS license gives a person the authority to conduct Cross Connection Surveys (CSI's).

TCEQ has stated: "the Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester (BPAT) license does not give a person the authority to conduct CSI's (Cross Connection Surveys)". In many instances the water purveyor and/or plumbing inspection departments are conducting the cross connection surveys within their service area.

If BPATs take on the task of locating all backflow prevention assemblies within a facility, should they give some thought about developing a cover statement to prevent any future legal actions for an assembly that was missed?

As a BPAT - if requested to conduct a cross connection survey (CSI) - the local enforcement agency requesting this should be told to contact the TCEQ Cross Connection Section for information and state requirements, contact: katherine.mcglaphlin@tceq.texas.gov.

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July Meeting Details

Meetings of the San Antonio Chapter of ABPA are held the second Thursday of every month except December. Dinner and refreshments are served beginning at 5:30 with the meeting starting at 6:00pm.

Date: Thursday July 9, 2026

Time: 6:00 PM (pre-registration required to receive a meal)

**Place: SAWS Bldg. 2 Conference Room
2800 US Hwy 281 North**

Meeting Training: Jack Poole, (virtual)

**Presentation Title: Fire Line Backflow
Protection**

Sponsor: BAVCO

No Alcoholic Beverages Allowed

Next meeting date: August 13th, 2026

Thank You to last month's speaker: Katherine McGlauphlin with TCEQ, for her presentation on "The Basics and Best Practices of a Backflow Program".



July Agenda

- 5:00 pm General discussion / quorum confirmation - Call Meeting to Order
- 5:02 pm Secretary's Report. Read and approve the minutes of the previous meeting.
- 5:05 pm Treasurer's Report. Discussion and approval of the treasurer's report.
- 5:10 pm Vice President's, Directors', and any other reports for the good of the chapter. Comments, new business, any discussion.
- 5:15 pm Training Report. Training & Meal Sponsors
- 5:20 pm Webmaster Report
- 5:25 pm President's Report. New & old business
- 5:30 pm Meal served.
- 6:00 pm General Membership Meeting & Training
 - 1. Report from the Directors Meeting, President.
 - 2. City, Regional, and National Reports. Reports from any City personnel present.
 - 3. Training program for the evening.
 - 4. Raffle prize drawing.

Nightmare of Year Award:

Members: submit your (true) 2026 backflow testing nightmare story to: info@speackbackflow.com.

The entry judged best will be awarded a \$200 cash prize at this year's November meeting!

"Direct Talk" by the President

The August meeting will be held in the SAWS conference room, Tower II building at 2800 U.S. Hwy 281. The Director's meeting will start at approximately 5:00 PM with the meal served at 5:30 and meeting at 6:00 PM.

Jeff Stricker

**Update your license information and check your license status here:

https://www2.tceq.texas.gov/lic_dpa/index.cfm?fuseaction=licall.searchindiv

MINUTES ABPA - SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Thursday, June 11, 2026

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS – PRESENT	EXECUTIVE OFFICERS CONT. – ABSENT
Jeff Stricker - President	Art Trejo - Treasurer/Membership
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Webmaster - Open; Troy Baird - Newsletter	Supply Officer - Vacant
Jeff Meeks - Sgt. At Arms	Troy Baird - Newsletter
Mark Schnur - Liaison to SAWS	Carl Michaud – Gauge Testing/Certification

DIRECTORS AT LARGE – PRESENT	DIRECTORS AT LARGE – ABSENT
Robert Stricker - 2 years	Bruce Rathburn - 2 years
Bob Clark - 1 year	
Fred Baird - 1 year	
Keith Waldrep - 2 years	
GUESTS PRESENT: Katherine McGlauplin, TCEQ	

Agenda Item #1. Jeff started meeting at 6:10pm. He said that you must ensure your name and e-mail address are in the end of meeting CEU sign in sheets to ensure you receive the newsletter and meal e-mails. Print your name/e-mail address on the sign in sheet if not on the list. Jeff received confirmation that everyone was getting meeting notices and able to respond with no problem. INFO.

Agenda Item #2. Secretary's Report: The May meeting minutes were in the June newsletter. Robert made a motion to Approve. Seconded. INFO.

Agenda Item #3. Treasurer's Report: Jeff reported the checking account balance of \$11,334. INFO.

Agenda Item #4. Meeting Sponsor: BAVCO sponsored the meeting. The meeting meal was a selection of pepperoni, meat lovers, and supreme pizzas with a veggie/crouton salad and a choice of two dressings. Art provided the sodas and water. INFO.

Agenda Item #5. Supply: There are few selections of the remaining chapter attire. The only reorder will be caps. Still need to decide what to do with the unsold inventory. OPEN.

Agenda Item #6. Raffle: Jeff received a Harbor Freight donation of a Bauer 4 horsepower 6 gallon wet/dry shop vacuum. INFO.

Agenda Item #7. Newsletter: Fred has printed about 30 newsletter or those who had not read it on-line. There were about 20 left over. The newsletter goes to about 290 people and organizations. INFO.

Agenda Item #8. Membership: Jeff reviewed that ABPA membership dues are \$60 and \$65 for chapter. Both must be paid to receive national and chapter benefits. There are two new members. We have about 93 members that have paid both their national and chapter annual dues. INFO.

Agenda Item #9. Hands-On: Fred reviewed the attendance requirements for a free hands-on required by TCEQ for license renewal. Three years of attending at least 5 meetings per year. Problem was that a few were only doing the attendance for one year and then not paying dues for the other two. He has a hands-on sign up sheet for those who license expires before October 2027. Check your CEU status on the TCEQ website. INFO.

Agenda Item #10. Gauge Certification Testing: BAVCO, 6017 Randolph Blvd will do the testing. Please call ahead if you want to wait for it. INFO.

Agenda Item #11. ABPA National: The 41st ABPA International Conference and Trade Show will be at the Embassy Suites in San Marcos May 3-5th, 2027. There was a change from the Dallas location due to unforeseen circumstances. There will be a BOD meeting on June 29 to review next year's budget. INFO.

Agenda Item #12. Webmaster: Jeff asked if there were any questions on the chapter website. He will be working on it. INFO.

Agenda Item #13. BSI On-line. Jeff said to search by serial numbers on BSI On-Line if it is difficult to find a backflow assembly by address. He gave examples for highway inputs. An alternative would be to e-mail meter number to SAWS to get more address information. BSI On-Line may have the wrong test date for spray aerobic systems as they must be annually tested. BSI On-Line relies on the tester on site regarding what's is on the property. INFO.

Agenda Item #14. SAWS: Mark Schnur said to use www.saws.org/backflow to send comments to SAWS on the 2026 Revised Program Manual. Mark said that SAWS has had success relating to the 90-day shut off notices. There were 175 notices sent out starting in March. He cited his staff doing the hard work to make this successful. SAWS is targeting large companies with irrigation systems to increase compliance. One company has 156 assemblies that are managed through their internal tracking system but have been eager to work with SAWS. One issue has been replacing failed assemblies and not logging them into the BSI On-Line system. INFO.

Agenda Item #15. Training: Katherine McGlaughlin, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Cross-Connection Control Program Coordinator gave her presentation on The Basics and Best-Practices of a Backflow Program (also at the 2026 TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference). Her presentation was structured around rhetorical questions, drawing participant answers, and then giving the TCEQ response. She gave many examples from her experience that were not included in the Power Point presentation, and there were also too many with much detail for the chapter secretary to document.

This presentation discussed the basics & best practices of: Creating Local Authority, Customer Service Inspections (CSIs), Backflow Prevention Assembly Testing (BPATs), and other considerations. The goals: Learn about the basics and best practices of a cross-connection control program and the use of tools available to build an effective program for your system.

The following should be considered, why have a cross-connection control (backflow) program. As hydraulic pressure changes and water moves, everyone has a role to protect their system, actual and potential hazards are real, and controlling them is critical. Our goal - protect public health by reducing a backflow event's frequency, duration, and severity. What are the regulations: 30 TAC 290.46(i), Plumbing ordinance. "Public water systems must adopt an adequate plumbing ordinance, regulations, or service agreement with provisions for proper enforcement to ensure that neither cross-connections nor other unacceptable plumbing practices are permitted (See §290.47(b) of this title relating to Appendices). Sanitary control of the distribution system should not only reside with the purveyor, the entity retaining sanitary control shall be responsible for establishing and enforcing adequate regulations in this regard.

We need: regulations, enforcement clauses, and banning bad plumbing practices by crafting local regulations. Available avenues are: Customer Service Agreements with investor-owned utilities and new customers. Plumbing Ordinance & Regulations with codes. Critical elements are right of entry, lead ban, and enforcement.

Best Practices: adopting a local Plumbing Code but it is not enough on its own unless it has enforcement powers. Reference of approval list/tested assemblies in rules such as USC, ASSE, AWWA, IAPMO, etc. Where does it make sense to be more stringent such as tailoring your regulations and your unique challenges your system faces such as stock tanks, industrial facility or factory, and ongoing construction. How can your regulations best address and protect unique hazards? Craft local regulations with more resources from your neighbors. What are your neighbors doing that is working? What isn't working? What organizations are around you that can assist? What about existing customers? The PUC prohibits cut-offs for "refusal of a current customer to sign a service agreement." This applies to "affected utilities", but not all PWSs. Can request, but not required as regulations protect both customer and supplier Customer Service Inspections. How are we finding hazards out in our system to follow up on? How do we find hazards? 30 TAC 290.46(j) - Customer Service Inspections. A customer service inspection (CSI) certificate shall be completed prior to providing continuous service to new construction, on any existing service either when the water purveyor has reason to believe that cross-connections, or other potential hazards exist, or after any material improvement, correction, or addition to the private water distribution facilities. Who can do CSIs? 30 TAC 290.46(j)(1)(A): Plumbing Inspectors and Water Supply Protection Specialists licensed by the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners (TSBPE). 30 TAC 290.46(j)(1)(B): Customer Service inspectors who have completed a commission-approved course, passed an examination administered by the executive director, and hold current professional license as a Customer Service Inspector.

The CSI found a hazard – now what? 30 TAC 290.46(j)(2). As potential contaminant hazards are discovered, they shall be promptly eliminated to prevent possible contamination of the water supplied by the public water system. The existence of a health hazard, as identified in §290.47(i) of this title, shall be considered sufficient grounds for immediate termination of water service. Service can be restored only when the health hazard no longer exists, or until the health hazard has been isolated from the public water system in accordance with §290.44(h) of this title (relating to Water Distribution). Summary 3 reasons: New Construction, plumbing expansion/correction, and suspected hazard. We do CSIs to provide Or deny water service.

What do CSIs inspect for? Illegal lead materials, hazards, and cross connections, and this includes a lead swabbing! Three licenses can perform CSIs: TCEQ licensed Customer Service Inspectors, Plumbing Inspectors working within their political subdivision, and Plumbers with the Water Supply Protection Specialist endorsement. Record retention for inspections is at least 10 years. This is not a plumbing inspection, though can be done at the same time.

Customer Service Inspection best practices: review forms before filing away, familiarize yourself with the form, what do the questions mean, does a “no” constitute a failure, are there any remarks, is it a current version of the form, what does the identified hazard need, what is the appropriate follow-up such as another CSI or how many installs of assemblies are needed?

What assembly is required? Does the cross connection have backpressure, what is the type of hazard and is it under continuous pressure? Katherine’s presentation gave a flow chart to help answer all these questions.

Where do I start when performing a CSI? There’s no better time to start than now, and normally at the water meter. Jurisdictions should continue requiring on new construction and approach “suspected hazards.” Approach like a triage: most urgent, dangerous facilities; uncommon and common commercial facilities, and residences with few complex hazards. Record retention: maintain CSI forms as long as the facility is in service. Perform periodic CSI if necessary, and require periodic to see facility changes over time. If not doing, consider requiring CSIs - register and submit their license information and review with TCEQ or TSBPE.

Backflow Testing: How do we keep our system protected? When do we test backflow preventers? 30 TAC 290.44(h)(4) - All backflow prevention assemblies that are required according to this section and associated table located in §290.47(f) of this title shall be tested upon installation by a recognized licensed backflow prevention assembly tester and certifies it to be operating within specifications. Backflow prevention assemblies which are installed to provide protection against health hazards must also be tested and certified to be operating within specifications at least annually by a recognized backflow prevention assembly tester.

Who is doing these tests? 30 TAC 290.44(h)(4)(A): Recognized backflow prevention assembly testers shall have completed an executive director approved course on cross-connection control and backflow prevention assembly testing, pass an examination administered by the executive director, and hold a current license as a backflow prevention assembly tester. What can backflow assembly testers work on? 290.44(h)(4)(A)(i): Backflow prevention assembly testers are qualified to test and repair assemblies on any domestic, commercial, industrial, or irrigation service. 290.44(h)(4)(A)(ii): Backflow prevention assembly testers may test and repair assemblies on firelines only if they are permanently employed by an Approved Fireline Contractor. The State Fire Marshal’s office requires that any person performing maintenance on firelines must be fully employed by an Approved Fireline Contractor.

What are we looking at? 290.44(h)(4)(B): Gauges used in the testing of backflow prevention assemblies shall be tested for accuracy annually in accordance with the University of Southern California’s Manual of Cross-Connection Control or the American Water Works Association Recommended Practice for Backflow Prevention and Cross-Connection Control Manual M14). Public water systems shall require testers to include test gauge serial numbers on “Test and Maintenance” report forms and ensure testers have gauges tested for accuracy.

Reviewing Forms. What do we need to see before accepting test reports? Is this the right form, hazard classification - is the right assembly installed for the job, test results – did it pass, was it filled out completely, was it installed correctly, and is their license/gauge information current?

Know your system: track vital information on assemblies in the system, such as type, make, or model; serial number, hazard Classification/hazard type, and due date for next test. 3rd Party record keeping software companies need TCEQ approval. Review the form before filing them away. What do the remarks or results tell you? Do they match previous test information? Test results must be kept for as long as the BPA is in-service or at least 3 years.

Enforcement personnel should consider taking a 32/40 Hour backflow training course so you know what testers do and understand the results. Consider requiring testers to record this in your authority document which includes license, gauge, and company information. QAQC those testers in your system such as shadow a backflow tester to a test, tag an assembly, and require it be submitted with the test. You are the first line of defense to kick out bad players in your system!

What else can we include to get our program up and running, what about an Emergency? Preparing and Responding to Emergency Backflow Events are in-depth topics in RG-476/RG-477. Knowing what is in your system is critical such as where are your lines, where are our isolating valves, and what hazards have you identified? Consider the following: Who should we involve? Interdepartmental Communication, Coordination, and Cooperation such as the plumbing dept., permits or building departments, city, utility, and district managers, fire department/fire marshal, water department personnel, and front desk staff. Who else would benefit?

Backflow Committee to meet and discuss backflow issues through several backgrounds such as the Program Administrator, Water Department Manager, Plumbing Inspector or Local Plumber, Fire Marshal, Management and Council/Board Member, and Local Irrigator. Customer Service: Public Outreach and Education. People don't always understand backflow. Public health is our goal as who gets exposed to a backflow event first?

What else is available to help shape a backflow program? Internal Publications. RG-478 "Establishing and Managing an Effective Cross Connection Control Program", GI-411 "A Consumer's Guide to Backflow Prevention in Texas", RG-345 "Backflow Protection on Fire Prevention Systems", RG-476 "A Public Water System Guide to Responding to a Backflow Incident", RG-477 "A Public Water System Guide to Preparing an Emergency-Response Plan".

Protection for Post Mix Carbonators" USC Cross Talk fccchr.usc.edu/_downloads/FRD%20Archives/PostMix.Carbonators.pdf. Manual of Cross-Connection Control, 10e fccchr.usc.edu/tools.html#Tenth Edition. Recommended Practices for Backflow Prevention and Cross-Connection Control (AWWA) awwa.org/Store/Product-Details/productId/46494412. ABPA Cross-Connection Control Manual www.abpa.org/store/viewproduct.aspx?ID=26643381 Free help through the TCEQ's Small Business and Local Government Assistance Program. Free and confidential assistance, available in all TCEQ Regions, also assists with non-PWS issues.

TexasEnviroHelp.org. TCEQ's Financial, Managerial, and Technical (FMT) Assistance Program: Free, one-on-one and on-site assistance and assists with a variety of PWS and wastewater issues. Tceq.texas.gov/drinkingwater/fmt.

Quarterly Meetings of Backflow Cross-Connection Control (CCC) Subcommittee: Meeting of industry professionals, training providers, PWS staff, regulators, and others. Discuss backflow and cross connection issues. Quarterly meeting held remotely and in-person at TCEQ Central Office

In Conclusion: Bringing it all together, backflow programs have many parts and require teamwork. There are many resources available to improve backflow programs, our shared goal is to protect public health, and your customers are depending on you.

Adjournment. Adjourn the meeting at 7:25 PM for the raffle.



Greg Shean - Secretary ABPA San Antonio Chapter

Took a non-stop flight from San Antonio to Las Vegas to avoid another “walked away from an airplane crash” I went through four years ago in Los Angeles when my SWA flight clipped a food service truck as it backed out of its docking area. Nine hours later, arrived at The Orleans.

Why The Orleans? They have the lowest hotel rates at about \$85 per night but no coffee in the room, no refrigerator, but a safe to keep all of your belongings. The Orleans wants their guests to patronize the in the food and drink outside the room. Had to use the black out curtains. Is Paris, France the real “City of Lights?” Why not in the San Antonio tourist concentrated River Walk – best rate at well over \$200 per night. Next year it will be in San Marcos. No fly – drive with extra days to tour the surrounding area. After attending for many years, ABPA’s returning to The Orleans in 28’.

ABPA National put on a great show. Their swag bag was an insulated, plastic carrier. Very useful. The main item was a small plastic carrier with very useful small tools – side cutters, screwdrivers, socket set. It did get past TSA. The Sunday evening welcome event the best ever with inspired finger sandwiches, corn chips with three types of salsas, and a large veggie platter. Despite the blue-collar clientele, I was told the veggie platter, with three types of dressings, was almost gone by the end of the Sunday-night event.

The three breakfasts were the same – a diverse fruit platter, scrambled eggs, bacon, home style sausages, and pastry with no greasy, sugar-coated donuts (excellent). Lunch: Monday’s feature was The Dagwood Special with three types of thin sliced meats, cheese, lettuce and tomatoes, and anything else you wanted to add. Salad with three types of dressings – ranch for us Texans. Skip the bread and go for the desserts. This is where bakers and pastry chefs go to show their skills. Tuesday was Cinco de Mayo. Fantastic Mexican buffet. Tacos, enchiladas, fajitas. Tres leches and churros for dessert. Monday dinner: sponsored by the vendors. Consider what they pay for a booth, travel, hotel, and employees – they did not skimp. Meat sliced for you, etc. Tuesday was dinner on your own. Seafood & Chinese. Some travel to off hotel restaurants. Pass on the food court.

Lunch was Dagwood sandwich build. At least three types of bread, veggies, salads, cheeses, meats, and deserts. So many decisions and appetite limited. Skipped the bread to make room for potato chips.

Morning and Afternoon breaks: A Junk Food Oasis. Soft drinks, bagged popcorn, whole pretzels and bites with cheese and a freezer full of ice cream novelties. No popsicles.

Silent Auction: Lots of backflow stuff donated by the vendors and ABPA chapters. That’s why we are there. There was one Mako and two 845 gauges. Many reference manuals. Maintenance accessories. All goes to the National backflow education program.

Okay, you are not there for the food. This is my 16th straight trade show and convention. I thought they would have run out of subject and presenters by now. No way. Give National a lot of credit for putting on an “educational experience.” I will continue to attend as long as “God willing and the creek don’t rise.”

Summing it up. You must take in at least one in your backflow career. Once there, you will go again. Testers are such friendly folks. San Marcos is as close as it will get, besides sticker shock San Antonio. Come on SA chapter - let’s make a great showing.

One of the most popular presentations at the national conference was by Chris Bowels. Involved was detail and first hand experience of a latest backflow incident. If one picture is worth a 1,000 words, his presentation was worth at least 500,000. Plenty of “what were they thinking?” in comparison to normal circumstances. Detail was provided starting with the initial complaint, all the way to precautions now being taken to assure another incident is avoided.

*** ABPA-SA MEMBER HANDS-ON TRAINING: SEPTEMBER 9, 2026 ***

Members who have attended at least 5 meetings per year and have accumulated a minimum of 16 meeting hours are eligible to attend the free hands-on training course sponsored by Bac-Flo Unlimited. Attendee is required to provide print out of their TCEQ license record the morning of the course which can be found at '**TCEQ License Search**' on Bac-Flo Unlimited's homepage.

Quote of the Month:

The higher a monkey climbs, the more you see of its behind.

General Joseph "Vinegar Bend" Stilwell (1883-1946)

QUIZ - True or False

T F 1. The buffer zone on an RP refers to the psi loading of the second check valve and the relief valve opening point.

T F 2. Backflow Prevention Assembly Test and Maintenance Report forms can only be completed and submitted to the local enforcement agency by the tester performing the test.

T F 3. With a newly installed backflow prevention assembly that failed the initial test due to debris, the tester took apart and cleaned #1 check valve. The test and maintenance report form must indicate the assembly check was cleaned and a repair made.

T F 4. A soft disc of a check valve #1 of an RP will cause a higher than normal check #1 gauge reading.

T F 5. A spill-Resistant Vacuum Breaker can be utilized as high hazard backflow protection.

Answers on next page, discussions at July ABPA-SA meeting.

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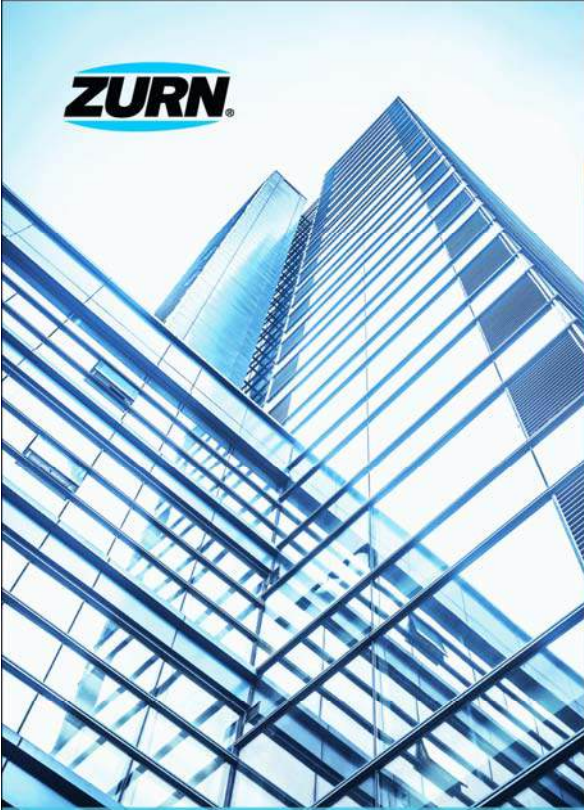
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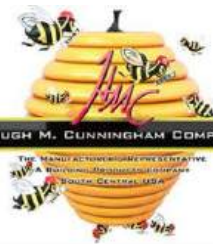


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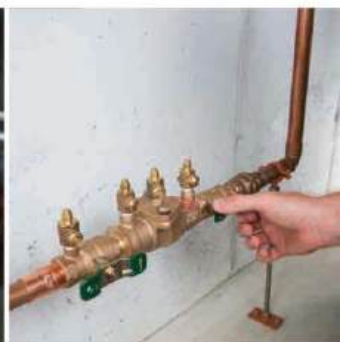
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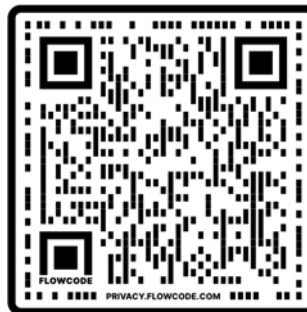
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