April 9, 2026 – Building Enclosure Education Event

Mid-Atlantic Chapter IBEC International Institute of Building Enclosure Consultants

IIBEC Mid-Atlantic Chapter Continuing Education Seminar

Hosted by Soprema Building Envelope Center

231 Westhampton Pl, Capitol Heights, MD 20743

The IIBEC Mid-Atlantic Chapter educational seminar scheduled for **Thursday, April 9, 2026,** is quickly approaching. This seminar will be held at the Soprema Building Envelope Center at 231 Westhampton Pl, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. We look forward to connecting and learning with you at this engaging and informative event! Course information is provided below.

1. Making the Right Choice: Curtain Wall, Window Wall, or Storefront

Presenter: April Rawson – Architectural Design Manager – Oldcastle Building Envelope

Abstract: This course is designed to expand participants' understanding of aluminum glazing systems, specifically storefront, window wall, and curtain wall systems. Attendees will gain insight into how system selection influences aesthetics, structural performance, water management, and long-term durability. Upon completion, participants will be able to effectively evaluate and select the appropriate glazing system for their project based on performance criteria, constructability, and architectural intent.

Learning Objectives for this course include:

- Understand the fundamental characteristics of storefront, window wall, and curtain wall systems.
- Identify key differences between glazing system types.
- Evaluate considerations when selecting a system for a specific application.
- Recognize industry structural requirements, performance criteria, aesthetic constraints, and water control strategies.

About the Presenter: April Rawson, CDT, is an Architectural Design Manager at Oldcastle Building Envelope (OBE), a North American vertically integrated manufacturer, fabricator, and distributor of architectural hardware, glass, and glazing systems. In her role, April works directly with architects, specifiers, and design professionals to support the development and specification of high-performance glazing solutions, including engineered curtain wall, storefront and entrance systems, and architectural glass products. Prior to joining OBE, April served as Senior Manager of Business Development and Program Manager, Commercial at the National Fenestration Rating Council (NFRC), where she focused on energy performance standards and certification programs for windows, doors, curtain walls, skylights, and other fenestration products. April holds the Construction Documents Technologist (CDT) designation from the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI).

2. Fall Protection and Facade Access: OSHA Requirements, Hazard Recognition, and Compliance

Presenter: Josh Wing – General Manager, Valcourt – Fall Protection Solutions

Abstract: This course provides an overview of fall protection requirements applicable to the building enclosure practitioner's work on commercial buildings and elevated work areas, with emphasis on regulatory compliance and risk mitigation. Participants will examine the responsibilities of employers and building owners in identifying fall hazards and implementing appropriate protective measures. The course reviews regulatory requirements, system selection and usage considerations, anchorage requirements, and the importance of proper installation and certification. The course also includes content related to building Owner duties with respect to having fall protection and facade access systems tested, inspected, and documented. Attendees will gain a clearer understanding of how thoughtful planning and compliance strategies can improve worker safety and reduce organizational risk.

Learning Objectives for this course include:

- Identify common rooftop and facade-related fall hazards.
- Understand key OSHA fall protection requirements for commercial buildings.
- Understand anchorage design, testing/certification, and documentation obligations.
- Differentiate between passive and active fall protection systems.
- Recognize employer training requirements and compliance responsibilities.

About the Presenter: Josh Wing is a General Manager with Valcourt – Fall Protection Solutions and a seasoned manager with extensive experience in the facilities services industry. He specializes in fall protection systems and holds credentials as an Associate Safety Professional (ASP) and Certified Safety Professional (CSP). Mr. Wing works closely with senior-level decision makers and key stakeholders to develop practical, compliant fall protection solutions tailored to commercial building environments. He is committed to fostering strong, trust-based client relationships and delivering the highest level of service and safety performance.

3. Specifying ACM Installation Systems

Presenter: Jason Bauknecht – Regional Manager & New Account Development, Laminators Incorporated

Abstract: With many different options available when designing a high-performance aluminum composite material (ACM) wall panel assembly, this course provides comprehensive information on ACM wall systems, the differences between ACM panels and installation systems, and key considerations for selecting a product and system that meets project requirements. Participants will gain a practical understanding of how structural, control layer, insulation, and cladding elements work together in a complete ACM assembly.

Learning Objectives for this course include:

- Identify the basic elements of an ACM wall panel assembly, including structural components, control layers for liquid water, air and vapor, insulation, and the ACM cladding itself.
- Compare different continuous insulation methods — including spray foam, Z-furring with stone wool or rigid foam, thermally broken clip systems, and high-thermal rigid insulation panels — and the code requirements that govern their selection.
- Evaluate ACM panel types and installation systems, distinguishing wet seal, dry set, and pressure-equalized rainscreen approaches and their performance implications.
- Apply key selection criteria — including fire performance (NFPA 285), wind resistance, thermal bridging, ease of installation, and total installed cost — when specifying an ACM system for a given project.

About the Presenter: Jason Bauknecht is an Outside Architectural Sales Manager and National New Business Development representative at Laminators Incorporated, a leading manufacturer of composite panel solutions based in Hatfield, PA. With over 15 years at Laminators, Jason has held progressive roles including shop machine operator, customer relations manager, inside sales representative, inside sales manager, and architectural regional manager covering Mid-Atlantic, Chesapeake, Southeast, and Canada territories. He holds a background in Business Management/Accounting from Lansdale School of Business and brings extensive expertise in ACM installation systems, architectural drawings, and long-term client relationships.

4. Resilient Solutions for Extreme Risks

Presenter: Darren Perry, PE, RRC – SOPREMA US

Abstract: This course reviews the importance of low-slope roofing and the impact roofing has on critical and essential facilities and community resilience. Participants will explore weather-related risks, storm shelter requirements, and the role of secondary membranes in providing roofing redundancy for buildings that communities depend on most.

Learning Objectives for this course include:

- Review resilience as it relates to building roofs.
- Identify weather-related risks that affect building and community resilience.
- Review requirements for storm shelters and critical/essential facilities.
- Discuss "secondary membranes" for roofing that provide redundancy for storm shelters and critical and essential facilities.

About the Presenter: Darren Perry has over 30 years of experience in building envelope design, engineering, and manufacturing. Since 2010, Darren has managed the SOPREMA US inside technical team, overseen external testing and approvals programs, and provided technical oversight for the SOPREMA warranty department. Prior to SOPREMA, Darren was Vice President of REI Engineers and a property loss prevention engineer with FM Global. Darren holds a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering and is a licensed professional engineer (PE), a fire protection engineer, and a registered roof consultant (RRC).

April 9, 2026 - Event Schedule

8:30 -- 10:00 Presentation 1
10:00 -- 10:15 Break
10:15 -- 11:45 Presentation 2
12:00 -- 12:30 Lunch Break
12:30 -- 2:00 Presentation 3
2:00 -- 2:15 Break
2:15 -- 3:45 Presentation 4

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Attendance at all four presentations is worth a total of six (6) IIBEC Continuing Education Hours

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