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## RCI Canadian Building Envelope Symposium

RCI Inc. hosted the first annual Canadian Building Envelope Technology Symposium on September 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> at the Mississauga Hilton, Meadowvale. The two day symposium was packed with seminars and manufacturer's exhibits. The event was highly successful from an attendance standpoint with over 240 attendees from across Canada and the United States.

The event opened on September 13<sup>th</sup> with a continental breakfast and time was allotted for the attendees to mingle and gave them a chance to view the different exhibits that were being staged by various manufacturers. The seminars started shortly after with the first presentation on "Building Envelope Commissioning" by Scott Armstrong of WSP and RCI Ontario alumnus Jean Guy Levaque who also spoke about "The Missing Link for Future-Ready Buildings". There were three presentations in the morning and then there was a break for lunch which was provided at the Hilton. The afternoon session of the symposium had three more presentations before convening for the day. Some Hors D'oeuvres were provided after the conclusion of the days seminars.

Day two opened with a continental breakfast again and this was followed by a presentation on "Whole Building Airtightness Testing of Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Buildings" by Kevin Knight. The morning saw three presentations before convening for lunch and the afternoon session also had three presentations on a wide range of topics. The following topics were covered in addition to the ones mentioned above throughout the two day event.

"Measured Drying Ability of Compact Low-Slope Roofs" – By Jonathan Smegal

"Thermal Performance of Building Enclosures" – By Nicole Parsons

"Roofing vs Masonry" – By Matthew Novesky & Rachel Will

"Liquid-Applied Air Barrier Systems for High-Rise Buildings" – By Marzieh Riahinezhad

"Design of Sloped Roofs in Snow Country" - By Marcus Dell

"Benefits of Dual-Barrier-Protected Membrane Roofs" - By Allen Lyte

"Strategies for Effective Building Retrofits" – By Eric Chisholm & Hannah Thevapalan

"The Future of Building Envelope Inspections" – By Alex Healy & Matthew Ryan

"Humidity and Building Envelope Failure in Enclosed Swimming Pools, Hot Tubs and Steam Rooms" – By Zen Szewczyk

"Canadian National Standard for Vegetated Roof Assembly" – By Bas Baskarin & Mauricio Chavez





On behalf of our members the RCI Ontario Chapter would like to thank all the manufacturers who participated in the exhibitor's portion of the symposium by providing a table top display. Thank you to the following:

Tremco	Accella Polyurethane Systems	Henry Company Canada
Kemper Systems Canada Inc.	Ardent Industries Ltd.	IKO Industries
Rockwool	Armatherm	Pecora Corporation
Owens Corning Canada LP	Artistic Skylights	Polyglass USA Inc.
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Siplast	Firestone Building Products Canada	SFS Intec Inc.
Johns Manville	Glascurtain Inc.	Situra Inc.
Soprema Canada	UL CLEB	Zinco Canada Inc.

We would also like to thank those who helped organize this inaugural event in Canada. A tremendous amount of time and commitment are needed to organize such a fabulous event which I believe exceeded expectations. RCI should be commended for the event that they staged.. There was plenty of Canadian content on display to showcase the quality of speakers and professionals that we have throughout this country. Their expertise in the science of building envelope technology provided thought provoking presentations which was of benefit to all those whom attended this fine event!

### **Upcoming Events**

- RCI Ontario Chapter is hosting Seminar on: “**Fire Safety**” 2 CEHs will be available  
**Place:** Angus Glen Golf Club  
**Date:** October 19, 2018  
**Speaker:** Peel and Vaughan Region Fire Prevention Office & Ontario Fire Marshalls Office
- RCI Ontario Chapter is holding a workshop on: “**Roof Restoration**”  
2 CEHs will be available  
**Place:** Toronto Construction Association offices in Richmond Hill  
**Date;** November 1st, 2018
- RCI Ontario Chapter is also holding a two day course on:  
“**Masonry Wall Systems**”. 12 CEHs will be available  
**Place:** TCA Offices, Richmond Hill  
**Date:** November 22 & 23, 2018  
**Speaker:** TBD

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