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**AISI AND MBMA TO HOST WEBINAR ON BEING THE ENGINEER OF RECORD  
ON METAL BUILDING PROJECTS**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI) and the Metal Building Manufacturers Association (MBMA) are co-hosting a webinar on the responsibilities of an Engineer of Record for metal building projects. The webinar will be held on July 20, 2017 from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. ET and will award 1.5 Continuing Education Credits/Learning Units. This is the second in a series of webinars co-hosted by both organizations for architects, engineers, building code officials and contractors.

Metal building systems are considered an alternative to conventionally designed and construction facilities, and structural engineers who embrace the metal building segment of the low-rise construction market will benefit as it continues to build solid market share in every low-rise category—from shopping centers, to car dealerships, office complexes, schools and more. The design responsibilities for metal building systems differ from those of conventional steel structures, and this webinar will equip participants to:

- Recognize the differences between metal building systems and conventional steel buildings,
- Understand the shared design responsibilities that are unique to a metal building system,
- Identify requirements and special considerations when specifying a metal building, and
- Appreciate the design considerations for a metal building system foundation.

The presenter is W. Lee Shoemaker, Ph.D., P.E., F.SEI, Director of Research and Engineering at the Metal Building Manufacturers Association since 1994. His responsibilities include directing MBMA's

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technical research and educational programs as well as representing the organization on several technical committees, including ASCE 7-16, Committee on Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures; and the AISC Committee on Specifications for Structural Steel Buildings. He was recently inducted into the Metal Construction Hall of Fame. Shoemaker received his Bachelor's Degree and Ph.D. in Civil Engineering from Duke University and his Master's Degree in Civil Engineering from Tulane University. More information on the webinar and registration details is available at <http://www.cfsei.org/webinar-july-20-2017>.

*AISI serves as the voice of the North American steel industry in the public policy arena and advances the case for steel in the marketplace as the preferred material of choice. AISI also plays a lead role in the development and application of new steels and steelmaking technology. AISI is comprised of 19 member companies, including integrated and electric furnace steelmakers, and approximately 120 associate members who are suppliers to or customers of the steel industry. For more news about steel and its applications, visit [www.steel.org](http://www.steel.org). Follow AISI on [Facebook](#) or Twitter ([@AISISSteel](#)).*

*Founded in 1956, the MBMA is an industry leader in research, leadership and education, and works to promote the advancement of metal building systems. Members of MBMA represent billions of dollars of annual steel shipments and more than 25,000 building projects in the low-rise, non-residential construction market in the U.S. each year. The association publishes technical manuals and design guides to serve the construction and building industry. For more information, visit [www.mbma.com](http://www.mbma.com). Follow MBMA on Twitter [@LearnAboutMBMA](#).*

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