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PRESENTATION:

An Overview of the 2016 AISC Specification for Structural Steel Buildings & the 2016 AISC Code of Standard Practice for Steel Buildings and Bridges

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This presentation will highlight some of the revisions and new information provided in two current steel standards: the 2016 AISC Specification for Structural Steel Buildings and the 2016 AISC Code of Standard Practice for Steel Buildings and Bridges, which are available for free download on the AISC website. The 2016 Specification incorporates revisions that are a result of changes in industry practice, new research, or the need for clarification and simplification; for example, updates in material and bolting standards, a new procedure for addressing slender compression elements, and updated shear strength and WT and double-angle flexural strength provisions. The 2016 Code of Standard Practice incorporates several improvements, including the generalization of the terminology to include the use of models, either in place of drawings or in combination with them, and an expansion of architecturally exposed structural steel (AESS) requirements to provide for multiple levels of finish.

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