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**CFSEI TO HOST WEBINAR ON “RESILIENCE AMIDST UNCERTAIN TIMES:
PREPARING THE COLD-FORMED STEEL INDUSTRY” ON FEBRUARY 24, 2022**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Cold-Formed Steel Engineers Institute (CFSEI) will host a webinar on “Resilience Amidst Uncertain Times: Preparing the Cold-Formed Steel Industry” on Thursday, February 24, 2022 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. EST. The webinar will be conducted by Don Allen, P.E., LEED AP, SECB, director of engineering for Super Stud Building Products. It is designed for architects, engineers, building officials and contractors. Participants are eligible for 1.5 PDHs.

Extreme weather, fire, earthquakes and even pandemics have challenged designers and builders to consider resilience in their planning. Cold-formed steel industry veteran and green building champion Don Allen will explore some of the ways to make designs and communities more resilient and review lessons learned from the ongoing pandemic. He will discuss how the supply of framing materials has been impacted, and how designers and builders can make their projects and businesses better prepared for the next unprecedented event. His presentation will include some history, design methodology and even philosophy on the responsibilities of design professionals, as well as activities to supplement their preparedness planning.

Don Allen is an internationally known expert in cold-formed steel design. As director of engineering for Super Stud Building Products, he is involved in product development

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for multiple product lines including steel framing, structural floor sheathing, steel structural wall panels, exterior insulation and finish systems (EIFS), and steel doors. He chairs the American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI) Education Committee, is actively involved in the development of ASTM and AISI standards, and has designed projects in Europe, Africa and North America. In addition to working for steel product manufacturers, Don spent more than a decade in private practice and served over nine years as technical director for the Steel Stud Manufacturers Association (SSMA), the Steel Framing Alliance (SFA) and CFSEI.

More information on the webinar is available at <https://www.cfsei.org/webinar-on-resilience-amidst-uncertain-times-preparing-the-cfs-industry>.

The Cold-Formed Steel Engineers Institute comprises hundreds of structural engineers and other design professionals who are finding a better way to produce safe and efficient designs for commercial and residential structures with cold-formed steel. CFSEI members work together to develop and evolve industry standards and design methods, produce and issue technical bulletins, and provide seminars and online training to improve the knowledge and skills base of engineers and design professionals. For more information, visit www.cfsei.org.

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