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VON DUPRIN, the leading manufacturer of fire and life safety products, announces the release of the WS9827/9927 surface vertical rod exit device.

Many areas of the United States are subject to the extreme wind-load and debris impact conditions resulting from tornados and hurricanes. The past decade has brought record-breaking numbers of deadly storms across the central and southern regions of the country; every state has experienced at least one tornado.

It is important to ensure life safety during these severe wind storm events. The 2009 International Building Code® has developed new standards that specifically address the design and construction for structures that have been designated as either hurricane or tornado shelters, *ICC 500 Standard for the Design and Construction of Storm Shelters*.

Available for immediate order, Von Duprin's new exit device has been designed and tested to provide the highest level of performance. The WS9827/9927 exit is certified to comply with *ICC 500 Standard for the Design and Construction of Storm Shelters*, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency's publication FEMA 361 – *Design and Construction Guidance for Community Safe Rooms*.

For more information, please contact your local Ingersoll Rand Security Technologies Sales Office or call 1-800-999-0408.

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