Fire Blocking and Fire Resistive Construction Products for Residential and Commercial Work

The following products are recognized by the West County EMS & Fire Protection District to meet the fire-blocking and fire-resistive characteristics required by the International Building Code and International Fire Code for use in residential and commercial buildings within our district and the City of Town & Country:

- **Fire Caulk**
  Must clearly state that it meets the UL 1479 and/or UL 2079 standard. The caulk tube should clearly state that the product holds a fire rating of 1 hour or more and will have the UL standards shown. The **FB136 product offered by 3M does not meet these standards** but there are other 3M products that do. Rated and non-rated products come in various colors so the color alone does not indicate a certain rating. Contractors should keep a sample of the product on site for verification during inspections.

- **Mineral Insulation**
  Rock wool mineral insulation (At least one product is known by the proprietary trade name **ROXUL**).

- **Fire Foam**
  Consumer-grade fire blocking foam in aerosol cans (such as 3M’s **Fire Block Foam FB-Foam**) **IS NOT RECOGNIZED** and has been found to increase the intensity and duration of fire.

These products are typically available for purchase at retail home improvement and contractor trade stores.