



## THE ART OF THE RISER ROOM

FPS TECHNOLOGIES - OKLAHOMA CITY





Lifetime Fitness (5 risers)

Kris Pettigrew, CET, President of FPS Technologies Inc. in Oklahoma City sums it up in two sentences: "Our riser rooms are our signature; a point of pride. The Globe UMC helps keep our installations clean, tight, and neat."

Kris founded FPS in 2010, with a focus on Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance of Sprinkler Systems and Pre-Engineered Systems. In the ensuing years FPS has aggressively grown the new construction portion of their business as well. "We're a service company first, new installation second," Kris noted. "But the high dollar value of large construction projects tips the scales more in the direction of installation."

With 20 trucks in the field covering the entire state of Oklahoma and northwest Arkansas, FPS has had dozens of opportunities to use the UMC, both as a floor control station (1  $\frac{1}{4}$ " – 3" sizes) and as a shotgun riser (4", 6", 8" sizes). "I like the quality of the product and the value it delivers," Kris stated. "We can't beat the simplicity of the UMC installation. Keeps us whacking and

stacking our risers and gets us out fast."

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Pettigrew's crews particularly like the preassembled control valve and integrated check valve. "We don't have to think about missing a component

when placing an order," he observed. "If we need to service a system, we isolate that portion with the butterfly, drain it, service it, and get it back online – fast."

When asked about some of FPS's signature installations, Kris said "I have lots where we've installed single UMCs, but some of our larger projects include Lifetime Fitness (5 risers) and the YRC Freight Terminal (4 risers)."

"Four years ago I gave Globe and Ameripipe Supply a shot at my business," concluded Pettigrew. "It's good to work with a manufacturer that's coming up with new ideas, and with a distributor that gives us the local service and support I need to keep my company growing."

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