Introduction

MasterFormat® is a structured, standard list of numbers and titles that identify work results/specification sections and construction practices. Its traditional/core applications include, primarily, the organization of documents and specifications in project manuals, as well as a variety of other applications such as cost estimating, and cross-referencing drawing notations to specifications. *MasterFormat*® can also support a growing number of AI-enhanced/powered applications, such as automated specifications generation.

Construction projects employ various delivery methods, products, and installation techniques; however, one thing is common to all—the need for effective teamwork among the multiple parties involved to ensure the correct and timely completion of the work. The successful completion of projects requires not only effective communication among the participants involved but also easy access to essential project information. Efficient information organization and retrieval is enhanced significantly when everyone uses a standard organizational framework. *MasterFormat* provides such a standard framework for use throughout the construction industry.