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IAPMO Earns American National Standards Institute Audited Designator Status

IAPMO is pleased to announce that the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) has granted IAPMO's Application for Audited Designator Status. As an Audited Designator, IAPMO now has the right to designate future editions of the Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC)®, Uniform Mechanical Code (UMC)®, Uniform Solar Energy Code (USEC)®, and the Uniform Spa, Pool and Hot Tub Code (USPHTC)® as American National Standards immediately upon the publication release date, and upon conclusion of IAPMO's ANSI-accredited procedures, without requiring prior approval by the ANSI Board of Standards Review.

IAPMO becomes only the sixth organization worldwide to receive this honor. "ANSI's thorough investigation into The IAPMO Group's application determined that IAPMO has achieved a consistent record of successful voluntary standards development and that IAPMO's code development process contained the integrity required to achieve this designation," said IAPMO CEO GP Russ Chaney. "As a result, IAPMO's reputation for fairness and adherence to ANSI rules with respect to the development of American National Standards is now firmly cemented within ANSI."

Founded in 1918, ANSI's mission is to enhance both the global competitiveness of U.S. business and the U.S. quality of life by promoting and facilitating voluntary consensus standards and conformity assessment systems, and safeguarding their integrity. ANSI fosters the U.S. standardization system by accrediting the procedures of standard-setting organizations and subsequently approving individual documents as American National Standards. To learn more, visit www.ansi.org/ansvalue.

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IAPMO Celebrates World Standards Week

Issues of safety and sustainability are important causes for stakeholders around the world, from alternative energies and environmental protection to the safety of products, services, homes, and

workplaces. As governments, organizations, and individuals alike strive to address these transnational challenges, globally relevant standards provide the technological and scientific foundations that drive health, safety, and environmental innovation.

IAPMO was pleased to serve as the administrating organization for this year's World Standards Week — Advancing Safety and Sustainability Standards Worldwide — co-chaired each year since 1970 by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

With festivities beginning Tuesday, Oct. 11 and culminating Thursday, Oct. 13 with World Standards Day, the event recognized the crucial role of standards, codes, and conformity assessment in assuring the health and safety of people and the environment, today and for future generations. Standardization speeds innovation, facilitates harmonized trade, and boosts consumer and government confidence in products, services, systems, and processes. But above all, standardization provides an adaptive framework for developing the most effective solutions to critical global challenges.

Leaders of business, industry, academia, and government gathered in Washington, D.C., all week for a celebration of the role standards play in building a safer, more sustainable world.

"Standardization is the lifeblood of IAPMO," said IAPMO CEO GP Russ Chaney. "A lack of standardized plumbing procedures and products is what prompted our association's formation 85 years ago and has remained our guiding principal every day since. IAPMO is thrilled to administer the U.S. Celebration of World Standards Day to help bring awareness to this vitally important cornerstone of public health and safety."

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IAPMO R&T Freezes Prices for 2012

In an effort to help current and prospective listees weather these trying economic times, IAPMO R&T is again freezing all of its fees in 2012, continuing to deliver the same outstanding service and the most credible Marks of Conformity in the industry at 2010 prices.

North America's premier plumbing and mechanical product listing agency has committed to at least 36 consecutive months of the same fee schedule for its entire comprehensive menu of services, giving IAPMO R&T clients the maximum value for their certification dollars.

"As manufacturers look to establish workable budgets for the coming year, they can rest assured they won't be hit with unexpected cost increases associated with the certification of their products when using IAPMO R&T," said Anish Desai, director of Product Certification. "Our pricing structure is locked in for the entire year, giving our clients consistency they can count on in 2012."

Since 1936, IAPMO and IAPMO R&T have listed plumbing, mechanical, solar and numerous other products, creating decades-strong value and instant recognition among Authorities Having Jurisdiction for their cUPC® and other highly credible Marks of Conformity. Accepted in the United States and Canada, IAPMO R&T's Marks of Conformity open doors and eliminate doubt.

With offices in Toronto (Canada), Ruhr (Germany), Monterrey (Mexico), Buenos Aires (Argentina), Beijing (China), Bengaluru (India), and Melbourne (Australia), IAPMO R&T's menu of certification services and expert customer service is available on five continents.

"Even though our Marks of Conformity speak for themselves, IAPMO R&T clients aren't just issued their certification and sent on their way — we are wherever you need us, whenever you need us," Desai said. "And we anticipate the announcement of additional money-saving programs in the months ahead to further assist our clients."

The list of available services goes beyond plumbing, mechanical, swimming pool and recreational vehicles

to also include electrical and solar products, as well as certification to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) WaterSense® water efficient consumer product labeling system and the EPA and Department of Energy's (DOE) ENERGY STAR® program.

For more information on having products certified by IAPMO R&T, direct your Web browser to www.iapmort.org or contact Karen Snowden or Brenda Madonna at (909) 472-4100.

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World Plumbing Council Taps Chaney as New Chairman

GP Russ Chaney, CEO of The IAPMO Group, was elected chairman of the World Plumbing Council (WPC) for a term covering 2011-13 during the 9th World Plumbing Conference, Sept. 7-11, in Edinburgh, Scotland.

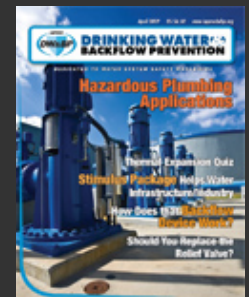
Established in 1990 and headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland, the WPC maintains NGO status with the



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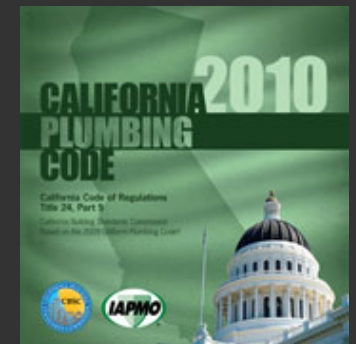
A subscription to Official is just one of the many benefits available to members of IAPMO, which include substantial discounts on most IAPMO publications and educational programs, the opportunity to update and improve the UPC and UMC, participation in local IAPMO chapters and an invitation to attend IAPMO's Annual Education and Business Conference. The conference offers superb educational seminars. Find out more at www.iapmo.org.

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World Health Organization and carries out a mission to unite the world plumbing industry and promote its role in improving public health and safeguarding the environment.

Chaney served two terms on the WPC Executive Board, from 2002-05 as a Director and as Deputy Chairman from 2008 until his election as Chairman this month.

He began his career in the plumbing business as an apprentice in 1974, obtaining his Master Plumber license in the state of New Jersey in 1982 and his New Jersey Plumbing Inspector license in 1987. He ran his own plumbing business until he laid down the tools in 1990 and joined the National Association of Plumbing, Heating and Cooling Contractors (PHCC) as director of Technical Services in 1992.

Chaney served as the secretariat of the National Standard Plumbing Code and the ANSI A40 Safety Requirements for Plumbing Code until joining IAPMO as CEO in June 1995. IAPMO joined the WPC in August 1995 and tapped Chaney as its representative. He was elected to his first three-year term on the Executive Board in 2002 and was re-elected in 2008 as Deputy Chairman.

Chaney holds a B.A. degree in Personnel Management from Rowan University in New Jersey and an Accounting degree from Brookdale Community College, also in New Jersey.

Joining Chaney on the WPC Executive Board are: Deputy Chairman, Sudhakaran Nair, India; Honorary Secretary/Treasurer Hans Tiedemann, Canada; Directors Hua Mingjiu, China, Richard J. Prospal, United States, Elmar Esser, Germany, and Shayne La Combre, Australia.

"Being elected by my peers to this position, essentially the pinnacle of my professional career in plumbing, is the highest, most humbling honor I've received," Chaney said. "With the support of my colleagues on the Executive Board and WPC membership, I hope to put the WPC on strong footing so that those who follow have the ability to make significant strides on behalf of the international plumbing community.

"It is my goal to continue working to advance the image of plumbers, strengthening the public view that plumbers are professional, highly trained individuals who protect health and safety on a daily basis, to maintain our strong relationship with the World Health Organization, our support of the World Skills Competition and to nurture our budding relationship with the World Green Building Council."

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Kitchen & Bath Industry Show and National Kitchen & Bath Association Announce New 2012 Tradeshow Dates

KBIS will take place April 24 to 26, 2012, at Chicago's McCormick Place

As part of Chicago's city-wide schedule adjustments to accommodate the G-8 and NATO summits in May 2012, the Kitchen & Bath Industry Show (KBIS) has moved up its annual tradeshow and conference to April 24 to 26, 2012, at McCormick Place, with the conference beginning on April 23. Owned by the National Kitchen & Bath Association (NKBA) and produced by Nielsen Expositions, KBIS brings together nearly 20,000 of the industry's top dealers, designers, builders, remodelers, retailers, and other professionals directly involved in the design and remodel of residential kitchens and bathrooms.

There will be no impact to hotel rates or availability, and the NKBA and Nielsen do not anticipate any

impact on the number of attendees or exhibitors at KBIS based on the date shift. In fact, many KBIS exhibitors have already pointed out that they prefer this new date pattern during the week versus the weekend. Additionally, Candice Olson has already confirmed that she is able to serve as the KBIS 2012 opening keynote speaker on the new opening day of the show on April 24.

The National Kitchen & Bath Association and Nielsen Expositions will continue to promote these new show dates to ensure that all potential attendees, exhibitors, media, and partners are aware that KBIS 2012 will now take place from April 24 to 26, 2012. The NKBA and Nielsen have also ensured that KBIS does not conflict with other national or international industry events.

Certified Master Kitchen & Bath Designer and 2011 NKBA President David Alderman, CMKBD, said, "In the face of Chicago's sudden need to alter the city's entire schedule of spring events due to the scheduling of the G8 and NATO summits, I'm very happy that we were able to secure show dates so close to the original schedule and maintain the show's hotel blocks and discounted pricing."

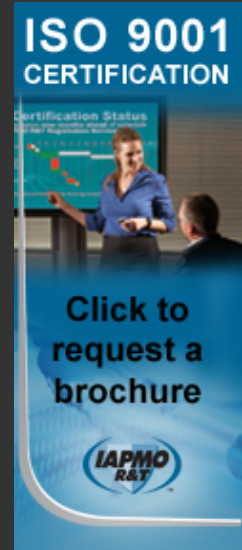
Media and attendee registration for KBIS will be open in January 2012 at www.kbis.com.

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Falls City, Neb., Adopts UPC, UMC

The Falls City, Neb., City Council has voted to adopt the 2009 editions of the Uniform Plumbing Code® (UPC) and Uniform Mechanical Code® (UMC). Falls City is the county seat of Richardson County, which borders on the states of Kansas and Missouri in the southeast corner of Nebraska.

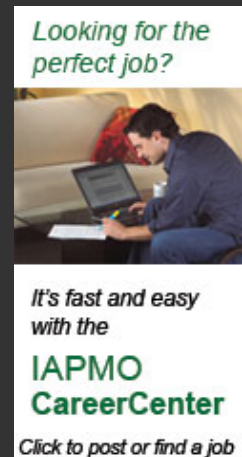
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Developed by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) using an ANSI-accredited three-year consensus code development process, the UPC and UMC govern the installation and inspection of plumbing and mechanical systems as a means of promoting the public's health, safety and welfare.

IAPMO Region 4 Manager Bill Schweitzer made presentations to the city's plumbing board and city council, working closely with Gary Jones, chairman of the Falls City Plumbing Board, on the adoptions. Falls City previously used the International Plumbing Code and International Mechanical Code.

In addition, the city council amended a city ordinance stating that the International Residential Code governs only the building aspects of residential structures while the plumbing and mechanical systems will adhere to the UPC and UMC, respectively.

"On behalf of IAPMO I wish to thank the city council and plumbing board for their receptiveness to my presentations and for ultimately deciding that the Uniform Codes represent the best protection for the people of Falls City," Schweitzer said. "Special thanks to Gary Jones for his assistance in facilitating this important code adoption process."

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Cibolo, Texas Adopts Uniform Plumbing Code

The Cibolo, Texas, City Council has voted unanimously to adopt the 2009 Uniform Plumbing Code® (UPC). Nicknamed the "City of Choice," Cibolo is located about 20 miles west of San Antonio, which will host IAPMO's 82nd annual Education and Business Conference, Sept. 25-29.

Developed by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) using an ANSI-accredited three-year consensus code development process, the UPC governs the installation and inspection of plumbing systems as a means of promoting the public's health, safety and welfare.

IAPMO Region 8 Manager John Mata provided testimony at the Aug. 23 meeting during which the city council voted to adopt the UPC and other codes. Mata worked with Cibolo Community and Development Services Director Robert Stricker on the adoption. Cibolo previously used the 2006 International Plumbing Code and 2006 International Fire Gas Code, both of which will be replaced by the 2009 UPC.

"IAPMO would like to thank the mayor, council and staff for all their hard work in developing fair and reasonable amendments that will work both with industry and maintain economic development," Mata said. "IAPMO also commends the council for selecting Robert Stricker as director of Community and Development Services. Mr. Stricker has been an IAPMO member for more than 20 years, serving on numerous committees, and is highly regarded in cross-connection control."

Notable is the fact the UPC was adopted for residential buildings in addition to commercial structures; its language will replace the plumbing requirements of the International Residential Code (IRC), which was also adopted by Cibolo.

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Two Federal Employees Injured by Exploding Toilet

Two federal employees were injured at the General Services Administration (GSA) headquarters in Washington, D.C. when the plumbing malfunctioned, causing two toilets to explode.

D.C. fire department spokesman Pete Piringer said they treated a woman in the fourth floor who had severe cuts to her leg from "flying debris". She was taken to the hospital for treatment of serious but non-life threatening injuries.

The GSA issued a memo shortly after the incident warning employees not to use the restrooms:

"DO NOT flush toilets or use any domestic water. Due to a mechanical failure, there is high air pressure in the domestic water system that resulted in damage to toilets. The engineering staff is working to correct the issue. There has been damage to flushed toilets that has resulted in injuries. We will announce when the issue is resolved."

According to the GSA, the building uses a storage tank to boost the water pressure to help it reach the top floor. The system uses air as a spring to push the water through the pipes.

GSA spokeswoman Emily Barocas said the controls of the tank malfunctioned, causing the water level to drop below normal and allowing air to seep into the system, where it was compressed. The over pressurized plumbing system caused the toilets to "malfunction" when flushed.

The plumbing system was back in operation later that afternoon.

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 Dec. 8-9, 2011
 IAPMO WHQ, Ontario, CA
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ASHRAE 2012 Winter Conference
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