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**Uniform Solar Energy and Swimming Pool, Spa and Hot Tub Codes
Adopt ANSI Consensus Development Process**

Ontario, Calif. (Sept. 22, 2008) — The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO), publishers of the ANSI-accredited *Uniform Plumbing Code* and *Uniform Mechanical Code*, have announced two of their other codes, the *Uniform Solar Energy Code (USEC)* and *Uniform Swimming Pool, Spa and Hot Tub Code (USPC)*, will henceforth be developed under an ANSI-accredited consensus process.

IAPMO first adopted the *USEC* and *USPC* in September 1976. The provisions of these codes apply to the erection, installation, alteration, repair, relocation, replacement, addition to or maintenance of any solar energy or swimming pool, spa or hot tub system. Under the new process, anybody wishing to amend these codes may submit a proposal, which will be grouped with all other proposals into a monograph to be evaluated by the Technical Committee.

At present, the Technical Committee — representing all facets of the swimming pool, spa and solar energy industries, including producers, users and general interest categories — has met and acted upon these proposals; ballots have been sent and the ensuing *Report on Proposals* distributed to the Technical Committee. IAPMO is currently calling for comments on both the *USEC* and *USPC* and plans to publish the 2009 editions of these codes in September of next year.

The 2006 editions of the *UPC* and *UMC* were the first to be developed under the consensus process as accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

“The ANSI code development process has been so positive and successful for the *UPC* and *UMC* that we are thrilled to have ANSI endorse the consensus process we are now employing for the *USEC* and *USPC*,” said Lynne Simnick, IAPMO director of Code Development.

For more information on the *Uniform Codes* and/or to find out more about the ANSI consensus process and how you can contribute, please contact Simnick at (909) 472-4110 or lynne.simnick@iapmo.org.

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