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**IAPMO Hires Lee Mercer as Senior Vice President
of Industry Relations and Business Development**

Ontario, Calif. (Jan. 16, 2014) — The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO®) is pleased to announce the hiring of Lee Mercer as senior vice president of Industry Relations and Business Development for The IAPMO Group.

Mercer brings more than 30 years industry experience, most of them as director of Product Compliance with leading faucet manufacturer Moen, to his new role representing IAPMO interests with key associations and stakeholders and working with customers to identify opportunities to enhance programs and their customer experience with The IAPMO Group.

Mercer possesses a working knowledge of a wide spectrum of manufacturing processes and testing requirements utilized in the manufacture of plumbing and filtration products, as well as strong familiarity with federal, state, and local plumbing product installation requirements in the United States and Canada.

His experience includes researching technologies, identifying, analyzing, recommending and developing specific opportunities relating to environmental and product compliance for materials used in drinking water applications. Mercer has worked closely with industry and various government agencies toward the development and implementation of both state and federal regulatory initiatives relating to water conservation and lead in drinking water.

“Lee Mercer is a familiar and highly respected name throughout our industry,” IAPMO CEO GP Russ Chaney said. “His considerable experience and long-standing relationships within the plumbing world will no doubt serve The IAPMO Group well as we seek to expand our programs and influence.”

Mercer was previously chairman of the Plumbing Manufacturers International (PMI) Uniform Conformity Assessment and Materials Performance committees, as well as a member of numerous plumbing product performance standard committees with IAPMO, the American Society of Sanitary Engineers (ASSE), the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), CSA International and NSF International. Mercer is past president and member of the Board of Directors for PMI and was recently recognized with the PMI President’s Award in recognition for his contributions to the plumbing industry.

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