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2021 Emerging Water Technology Symposium to be Convened as Virtual Event

Ontario, Calif. (Jan. 20, 2021) — The co-conveners of the 2021 Emerging Water Technology Symposium (EWTS) have determined that due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic the event will go forward as a two-day virtual symposium, scheduled for May 11-12. The EWTS was previously scheduled to be convened as a live, in-person event in San Antonio, on those same dates.

"It's disappointing that a year after postponing the 2020 EWTS the horrible COVID-19 pandemic prevents us yet again from safely convening the symposium as an in-person event," said IAPMO Senior Vice President of Training and Credentialing Services Tony Marcello, the event's lead organizer.

The two-day virtual symposium will provide a combination of timely speaker presentations and panel discussions.

"While it will be difficult to match the excitement of an in-person EWTS, we can promise the virtual symposium will deliver an engaging and timely, although abbreviated, program for attendees," Marcello said. "We'll be reaching out to our sponsors, supporting organizations, media partners, presenters and panelists and will announce the virtual program in the near future. The co-conveners remain committed to welcoming attendees to the EWTS in San Antonio in 2022."

Program and registration details will be available on the EWTS website, <u>www.ewts.org</u>, after March 11.

Co-convened biennially by the American Society of Plumbing Engineers (ASPE), the Alliance for Water Efficiency (AWE), the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO), and Plumbing Manufacturers International (PMI), in cooperation with the World Plumbing Council (WPC), the EWTS is designed to provide a portal for the host organizations' partners in the manufacturing, engineering and trade industries to display and demonstrate their innovative solutions to legislative and regulatory developments that often alter industry landscapes.

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