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International Emerging Technology Symposium Gathers Impressive List of Speakers

Ontario, Calif. (July 15, 2008) — Mobile phones, iPods and the Internet — all essentially unheard of technologies 20 years ago and, today, items most of us couldn't live without. At the same pace, plumbing and HVAC advances have emerged and continue to reshape our daily lives both at home and at our places of business. In many instances, these advances simplify life while simultaneously helping save energy and reducing our impact on the environment.

Get the scoop on all of these practical, innovative technologies by attending the International Emerging Technology Symposium, co-hosted by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) and the World Plumbing Council, Aug. 19-20 at the O'Hare Marriott in Chicago.

A host of presenters will introduce participants to the various ways in which the manufacturing, engineering and trade industries devise solutions to international regulatory developments on such topics as: water, sanitation and health; water and energy efficiency; water reuse; solar and other renewable energies; and fat, oil and grease discharges.

Organizers have assembled a tremendous panel of experts, headed by keynote speaker **Stephen L. Johnson, the administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**. He'll relate his 27 years with EPA to the challenges and opportunities presented by our modern world and its latest advances. Others presenting new perspectives and technologies include:

- **Jennifer Mercer**, *World Health Organization*, on "The Role of Plumbing in the Protection of Public Health"
- **Mary Ann Dickinson**, *Alliance for Water Efficiency*, on the impact of energy embedded in treated water
- **Tom Meyer**, *Green Mechanical Council*, on "GreenSpeak" and the challenge of making green mainstream
- **Bill Hoffman**, *Hoffman & Associates*, on alternative on-site sources of water and green building
- **Glen Pleasance**, *Region of Durham, Ontario, Canada*, will present the results of his home efficiency study
- **John Koeller**, *Alliance for Water Efficiency*, and **Bill Gauley**, *Veritec Consulting Inc.*, on the five most innovative new water savings products available today
- **E.W. Boulware**, *Design-Aire Engineering*, will discuss sizing and design of rainwater catchment systems
- **Robert Zimmerman**, *Kohler Co.*, on a proposed rating system for high efficiency plumbing fixtures
- **Roy Sieber**, *ERG (WaterSense)*, with five basic research needs to advance the WaterSense specification
- **Gary Klein**, *Affiliated International Management, LLC*, will layout a plumbing system on the room floor

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Registration to attend the two-day event is \$295 and includes breakfast, lunch and refreshment breaks. Hotel reservations can be made directly with the O'Hare Marriott. Mention the IAPMO event for a special room rate of \$129 per night. For sponsorship opportunities and/or information on participating in the event, please contact Maria Sol Alba at (708) 995-3005 or Career.Services@iapmo.org.

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