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**IAPMO Seeking Volunteers to Participate
on Newly Formed Technical Correlating Committee**

Ontario, Calif. (July 10, 2009) – The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) today began accepting applications at its Website from those individuals wishing to participate on the newly formed Technical Correlating Committee toward the development of the 2012 editions of the *Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC®)* and *Uniform Mechanical Code (UMC®)*. Applicants must submit their completed application by Aug. 17. Information and downloadable application forms can be found at <http://www.iapmo.org/Pages/CodeDevelopment.aspx>.

The UPC and UMC are developed using an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) accredited consensus process, signifying that the procedures used by standards setting organizations such as IAPMO meet the Institute's requirements for openness, balance, consensus and due process. This process brings together volunteers representing a variety of viewpoints and interests to achieve consensus on plumbing and mechanical practices. The *UPC* and *UMC* are the only plumbing and mechanical codes of practice to be named American National Standards.

In accordance with these procedures, a Technical Correlating Committee (TCC) will be formed with the assignment of managing and coordinating the activities of a Technical Committee Project within which more than one Technical Committee functions.

The TCC shall be responsible for resolving conflicts, achieving correlation among the recommendations of the Technical Committees, correcting errors and omissions and ensuring that the Committee activities have been conducted in accordance with Regulations Governing Committee Projects.

The Uniform Codes are designed to provide consumers with safe and sanitary plumbing and mechanical systems while, at the same time, allowing latitude for innovation and new technologies. The public at large is encouraged and invited to participate in IAPMO's open consensus code development process. A code development timeline and other relevant information are available at IAPMO's Website, <http://www.iapmo.org/Pages/CodeDevelopmentTimeline.aspx>.

In addition to applications for the TCC, IAPMO is simultaneously accepting applications from those IAPMO members who wish to serve on the association's various other codes and standards committees. As a member-based association, committees are the engines that power the organization's work; the means by which IAPMO creates consensus-based codes, support products and programs to facilitate safe and sanitary plumbing systems throughout the world.

These committees are composed of dedicated volunteers who bring their extensive skills and knowledge to the work of the association so others can benefit. Typically, these volunteers are members of IAPMO who share in the mission and goals of the Uniform Codes.

For more information, direct your Web browser to <http://www.iapmo.org/Pages/IAPMOCcommittees.aspx> or contact Lynne Simnick, director of Code Development at (909) 472-4110.

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Sponsor of the Uniform Codes, IAPMO – The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials – works in concert with government and industry for safe, sanitary plumbing and mechanical systems. Learn more about IAPMO at www.iapmo.org.

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