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### **IAPMO's Leppellere Elected to Chair NCPCCI Board**

**Ontario, Calif. (Aug. 14, 2009)** — The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) is pleased to announce that Terrence Leppellere, IAPMO director of member services, has been elected to serve a two-year term as Chairman of the National Certification Program of Construction Code Inspectors (NCPCCI) Board of Governors. Leppellere is a charter member of the NCPCCI Board of Directors and previously served as its chairman from 1988-89.

Launched as a consortium of state agencies and model codes groups in 1978, the NCPCCI was created to develop code enforcer examinations that could be used nationally to provide uniformity in certification and licensing testing. Leppellere, then manager of Training and Education with Building Officials and Code Administrators (BOCA), helped draft the NCPCCI bylaws and served on the Board until 1993. He rejoined the Board again last December.

NCPCCI exams are developed by state code enforcement agencies and professional organizations in collaboration with Prometric Holdings, LLC. They provide a basis for assessing competency in technical code knowledge of a Construction Code Inspector or Plan Reviewer. The Board of Governors includes representatives from the states of Indiana, Kentucky, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Ohio, Oklahoma and Virginia, as well as from the International Association of Electrical Inspectors (IAEI).

"Moving forward, the NCPCCI Board will work to recruit more states into the program, thereby expanding the test candidate population and ensuring the continuation of this vital program for decades," Leppellere said.

This year, all NCPCCI exams will be updated to the most current editions of the model codes. During this update process, IAPMO's *Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC®)* and *Uniform Mechanical Code (UMC®)* will, for the first time in the history of the NCPCCI program, become reference documents. The plumbing and mechanical tests will also be compatible with the International Plumbing Code, International Mechanical Code and the National Standard Plumbing Code.

For more information on NCPCCI, direct your Web browser to [www.prometric.com/NCPCCI](http://www.prometric.com/NCPCCI) or contact Leppellere at (708) 995-3001 or [terry.leppellere@iapmo.org](mailto:terry.leppellere@iapmo.org)

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