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IAPMO Green Plumbing and Mechanical Code Supplement
Now Available for Peer Review, Comments

Ontario, Calif. (Aug. 31, 2009) – IAPMO’s Green Plumbing and Mechanical Code Supplement, the most comprehensive document ever created to standardize sustainable residential and commercial plumbing and mechanical systems, is now available for peer review and comment. The 45-day review period will conclude at 5 p.m. CDT on Friday, Oct. 9, at which point no more comments will be accepted.

The Green Supplement will complement IAPMO’s Uniform Codes — or any other adopted plumbing and mechanical code — by introducing additional language pertaining to water and energy efficiency, HVAC system commissioning, the use of alternate water sources, such as gray water and harvested rainwater, and increased indoor environmental quality.

This preliminary version of the supplement and the peer review comment form can be obtained by contacting Maria Bazan by e-mail at maria.bazan@iapmo.org. Comments will only be accepted electronically via e-mail. Comments received will be compiled and serve as the agenda for the IAPMO Green Technical Committee meeting in Chicago, Nov. 17-19, at which time the committee will finalize the supplement for publishing by February 2010.

“This is an exceptional document for its foresight and balance in representing our industry’s best direction toward more sustainable practices,” said Bill Erickson, chairman of the Green Technical Committee. “The GTC is comprised of some of the very best minds representing all facets of the sustainable plumbing and mechanical fields. It’s a tribute to the hard work of so many professionals dedicated to getting this supplement ready for the final steps of the development process. In all, more than 85 experts served on the GTC and its eight associated task groups.”

IAPMO’s Board of Directors created the Green Technical Committee (GTC) and charged these individuals with the development of the IAPMO Green Plumbing and Mechanical Code Supplement in an effort to fulfill the Board’s call for a reduction in energy and water consumption as permitted in the Uniform Codes.

The Green Supplement is not a “greener” version of the Uniform Codes, but rather a separate document establishing requirements for sustainable building and water efficiency applicable to safe, reliable plumbing and mechanical systems. It will serve as an invaluable resource for code officials, plumbers, contractors, engineers and manufacturers in designing, installing and approving more sustainable plumbing and mechanical systems.

For more information about the Green Supplement and/or IAPMO’s commitment to a sustainable environment, please direct your Web browser to http://www.iapmo.org/Pages/IAPMO_Green.aspx or contact Maria Bazan at (708) 995-3000 or maria.bazan@iapmo.org.

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