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IAPMO Revises Code Development Timeline

Ontario, Calif. (June 2, 2010) — The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) has revised some upcoming dates in the timeline toward the development of the 2012 editions of the American National Standard designated Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC©) and Uniform Mechanical Code (UMC©).

In accordance with the ANSI-accredited code development process, balloting through the UPC and UMC Technical Committees will conclude Monday, June 7, on all proposals reviewed during the Technical Committee meetings, April 26-30. The Report on Proposals (ROP) will be created from these balloted actions and distributed to committee members on Aug. 2.

All suggested code amendments/additions/deletions published the ROP shall be reviewed before the public during the Assembly Consideration Session at IAPMO’s Annual Education and Business Conference, Sept, 26-30, in Seattle, Wash., and voted upon by eligible IAPMO members in attendance at that time.

The formal call for public comments on the ROP begins Oct. 4, with the submission period ending on Jan. 4, 2011. All comments will be distributed to the respective technical committees on March 25, 2011, and reviewed by the committees during their next meetings, May 2-6, 2011, in St. Louis.

IAPMO employs a consensus development process accredited by the American National Standards Institute, gathering the largest assembly of plumbing and mechanical experts in the world at its annual education and business conference and technical committee meetings, enabling anyone — members and non-members alike — to have a voice and a vote on proposed changes to the code. The 2012 editions of the UPC and UMC will mark the fourth time these codes have been developed in this manner.

IAPMO urges its members and other interested parties to get involved in the code development process to ensure effectiveness in preserving the public health, safety and welfare through strict governance of the Uniform Codes. Installers, plumbing and mechanical officials, the construction industry, engineers and manufacturers all benefit from a cooperative effort in developing codes.

The entire 2012 code cycle timeline, as well as background on IAPMO’s ANSI-accredited consensus development process, can be found at http://www.iapmo.org/Pages/CodeDevelopment.aspx. For any further questions, please contact Lynne Simnick, IAPMO director of Code Development, at (909) 472-4110 or lynne.simnick@iapmo.org.

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