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State of Florida Reconfirms Approval of IAPMO ES

Tallahassee, Fla. (June 2, 2010) — Florida Gov. Charlie Crist Tuesday signed into law new legislation that reconfirms IAPMO ES as an approved certification body, ensuring that Authorities Having Jurisdiction across the State of Florida will accept products with an accompanying evaluation report from IAPMO ES.

House Bill 663, Building Safety, revises, among other things, provisions of law relating to building code inspections and enforcement, including revisions to provisions governing inspection services and product evaluation. Included in this portion of the new law is language reconfirming IAPMO ES's status as an approved entity to provide evaluation services for manufacturers wishing to market their products in Florida. The state previously granted this approval in August 2008 with the passage of House Bill 697, Florida Building Code Standards.

“The assurance of statewide approval, especially in a state with the geography and emphasis on construction of Florida, removes a potentially substantial roadblock for our current and prospective manufacturer clients,” said Amir Zamanian, director of IAPMO ES.

Hundreds of jurisdictions nationwide now recognize the validity of IAPMO ES reports, including Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and San Diego counties in California, Clark County in Nevada, and the cities of Los Angeles and Scottsdale, Ariz., to name a few.

Building product manufacturers and building officials looking for a real partner in the process of shepherding a products launch to market find one with IAPMO ES. The organization has leveraged industry-leading expertise in some of the most complex products through its partnership with VanDorpe Chou Associations, Inc. (VCA). VCA’s 30 years of experience with building officials enables IAPMO ES to serve clients more effectively, efficiently and professionally than any other provider of evaluation services.

ABOUT IAPMO ES

Since 1936, IAPMO has proved the integrity of building products to the gatekeepers in every community. When presented with an IAPMO ES evaluation report, these gatekeepers have every confidence that building products meet the required standards. Day in and day out, jurisdictions across the country recognize the IAPMO marks of conformity among the most trusted marks in the industry. This includes ES reports. IAPMO ES is an approved agency in compliance with Section 1703 of the International Building Code (IBC) and is accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) under ISO/IEC Guide 65.

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IAPMO ES evaluates building products, materials and designs according to all applicable codes and standards, ensuring continuous compliance to such documents.

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