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## IAPMO-India, IIEC-India Sign Energy Conservation MoU

**Pune, India (Sept. 13, 2010)** — Recognizing the synergies available in the simultaneous promotion of green plumbing practices and energy efficiency and conservation, IAPMO–India and the International Institute for Energy Conservation–India (IIEC–India) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding. Together the organizations will promote energy and water efficiency and conservation by improving plumbing and pumping systems through pilot demonstration projects, policy interventions, regulatory mechanisms, financing mechanisms, public awareness and capacity building programs.

"The working relationship between these two forward thinking organizations will now be able to enhance the opportunities for the goals of the Government of India to have Green conservation and sustainable construction to be met and exceeded in the areas of safe, sanitary plumbing and Air Conditioning," said Megan Lehtonen, director of Business Development for IAPMO. "The most exciting aspect is that this is just the beginning.

"When IIEC, IAPMO–India, IPA and ISHRAE meet together to discuss the possibilities, the benefits that can result are almost endless. These activities will serve the people of India well for decades to come."

The MoU was signed in Pune, India, by Lehtonen and Dr. Nitin Pandit, president of IIEC, along with Subhash Deshpande, director of plumbing for IAPMO–India, and Ira Athale Prem, project manager for IIEC–India.

IAPMO–India and IIEC–India will work together to conceptualize the scope and scale of the joint programs at the nexus of energy and water conservation and efficiency, identify funding opportunities and develop a joint strategy for implementation.

"IIEC and IAPMO have considerable international expertise in promoting and implementing energy efficiency and green plumbing," Pandit said. "Our unique collaboration is targeted at addressing India's huge untapped potential in energy and water conservation."

IAPMO–India is an Indian Corporation established to develop and promote a uniform plumbing code in India. The organization is dedicated to advancing the most up to date methods of sanitation in India and to provide comprehensive education resources. IAPMO–India and Indian Plumbing Association (IPA) have jointly published the Uniform Plumbing Code–India (UPC-I) and Green Plumbing Code Supplement–India (GPCS-I).

IIEC–India is a Section 25 company registered in India and a subsidiary of IIEC, a reputed international non-governmental and not-for-profit organization with a mission to work through its offices in developing countries to accelerate the global adoption of energy efficiency and conservation, climate friendly transport and environmental policies, and modern technologies and practices to enable economic and environmentally sustainable development.

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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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