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IAPMO R&T Designated as an EPA-Recognized Certification Body for ENERGY STAR®

Ontario, Calif. (Nov. 2, 2010) — IAPMO R&T, one of North America’s premier product certification agencies, is now an EPA-recognized certification body to the ENERGY STAR® product labeling system. A joint program of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy, ENERGY STAR® qualified products help consumers save money and protect the environment through energy efficient products and practices.

Manufacturers wishing to promote the energy-saving benefits of their products by labeling them as ENERGY STAR® qualified can apply to do so now through IAPMO R&T, long recognized as a leader in third-party certification for its efficiency and commitment to customer service. On January 1, 2011, qualifying manufacturers will be able to display their IAPMO R&T certified ENERGY STAR® qualification for the following products:

• Appliances (clothes washers, dishwashers, water coolers, refrigerators and/or freezers)
• HVAC Equipment (boilers, room air conditioners, central air conditioners and air source heat pumps, residential water heaters, furnaces, residential ceiling fans, residential ventilating fans)
• Commercial Food Equipment (dishwashers, fryers, griddles, hot food holding cabinets, ice machines, ovens, refrigerators and/or freezers, steam cookers)
• Battery Charging Systems (BCSSs)
• Luminaires and Decorative Light Strings
• Roof Products

The process is made simple to understand and easy to complete through the IAPMO R&T and ENERGY STAR® partnership. Manufacturers need merely to have their products tested at an EPA-recognized third party laboratory. If testing proves the product complies with ENERGY STAR® standards, IAPMO R&T will confirm the results and certify that the product can bear the ENERGY STAR® label for energy efficiency.

Launched in 1992 as a voluntary labeling program, ENERGY STAR® was expanded in 1995 to include residential heating and cooling equipment and later major appliances and lighting. Users of ENERGY STAR® qualified products saved around $17 billion on their energy bills in 2009, eliminating greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to those from 30 million cars.

“IAPMO R&T is honored to partner with ENERGY STAR® and help manufacturers demonstrate the energy-saving innovation of their product lines,” said GP Russ Chaney, CEO of The IAPMO Group. “Our firmly established expertise with many of these products makes us a natural choice for these forward-thinking product manufacturers.”

For more information on having products ENERGY STAR® certified, direct your Web browser to www.iapmort.org or contact Karen Snowden or Brenda Madonna at (909) 472-4100 or for more information on the ENERGY STAR® program visit www.energystar.gov.

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