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IAPMO, ASPE Sign MoU Outlining Future Collaboration

Ontario, Calif. (Dec. 1, 2010) — The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) and the American Society of Plumbing Engineers (ASPE) have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) specifically detailing ways in which the two venerable organizations will work together to jointly advance and promote the mutual interests of regulations, design, specifications, installation and inspection of plumbing systems.

Through this historic MoU, IAPMO and ASPE pledge cooperation in the achievement of numerous objectives, including the following:

- Identify and promote new and existing sustainability opportunities and services
- Agree to open dialogue to aid best practices in the plumbing industry
- Jointly promote and co-op respective educational programs, conferences, trade shows, publications, and standards and codes
- Encourage continuing dialogue in an effective and timely manner between IAPMO and ASPE at all organizational levels
- Promote the advantages of utilizing chapter resources to increase education and communication among chapter members of both organizations and encourage the participation of members from each organization to serve on technical committees and councils
- Support measures, including federal and state legislation, that work toward increasing the level of enforcement of plumbing and mechanical codes and standards in the United States and internationally
- "ASPE has for years been a powerful ally in IAPMO's mission to provide safe, healthy plumbing systems for everybody," said GP Russ Chaney, IAPMO CEO, "and this MoU strengthens that spirit of altruistic collaboration tenfold."

Founded in Los Angeles in 1926, IAPMO has grown to be recognized the world over for its *Uniform Codes*. With offices in 11 states and seven countries, IAPMO has assisted with code development in such diverse places as Saudi Arabia, China, India, Jordan, Egypt, Israel, Vietnam, Indonesia, Philippines, Venezuela, Colombia, and the United Arab Emirates.

ASPE was founded in 1964 as an organization dedicated to the advancement of the plumbing engineering profession, growing from a group of less than 50 individuals in Los Angeles to an international society of more than 7,000 members.

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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.

