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IAPMO R&T Hires Dona Douglas to Lead Food Equipment Certification Program

Ontario, Calif. (April 15, 2014) — The IAPMO Group is pleased to announce Dona Douglas has joined North America's premier plumbing and mechanical product certification agency, IAPMO R&T, as manager, Food Equipment Certification Program.

A highly skilled scientist, Douglas brings more than 24 years of experience in food equipment certification, formerly working with Underwriters Laboratories (UL) and NSF International (NSF).

"We are thrilled to have Dona join IAPMO R&T, bringing invaluable industry knowledge and hands-on experience in leading one of our fastest-growing certification programs," said Jin Luo, IAPMO R&T senior director.

Most recently with UL since 1997, Douglas was considered the company's leading subject matter expert (SME) for Sanitation while serving as staff chemist/regional lead reviewer (level 4). In this role, Douglas trained and assessed staff in addition to evaluating and testing products to NSF/ANSI food equipment standards. Prior to that she was senior project chemist with the company.

With NSF International, Douglas served as engineer/field representative for eight years, performing product evaluations to food equipment, drinking water, plumbing system components, and swimming pool, spa and hot tub standards.

IAPMO R&T's expertise in the kitchen extends beyond those products related solely to plumbing, as the company is also accredited by both the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and Standards Council of Canada (SCC) to provide certification for such food preparation, cooking and storage products as prep tables, work stations, commercial cooking appliances, commercial refrigerators and freezers, and commercial powered food preparation equipment.

"The IAPMO Group prides itself on assembling a staff of acknowledged industry leaders in every aspect of our business," said GP Russ Chaney, The IAPMO Group CEO. "Dona brings immense added credibility to the services we offer manufacturers of food equipment."

Douglas holds a bachelor of science in Environmental Health from Western Carolina University in North Carolina and is a member of the California Environmental Health Association (CEHA).

"I'm excited to join an organization that is known worldwide as a respected leader in product certification, assuring safe, reliable operation of a wide range of products," Douglas said. "I intend to build IAPMO R&T's Food Equipment Certification Program into an industry stalwart on par with the organization's numerous other vastly successful programs."

For more information on having your food equipment listed, contact Dona Douglas at dona.douglas@iapmort.org, (909) 472-4103, toll free at 844-4-PURITY (844-478-7489) or visit www.iapmort.org.

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