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IAPMO Selected to Attend U.S. Government Water Infrastructure Business Development Mission to Singapore, Vietnam, and the Philippines

Ontario, Calif. (July 14, 2016) – The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO[®]) today will participate in the Water Infrastructure Business Development Mission to Singapore, Vietnam, and the Philippines to offer solutions to water issues and develop international business relationships.

Arun Kumar, Director General of the U.S. Commercial Service, and Joel Beauvais, EPA Deputy Administrator, Office of Water, will lead IAPMO and eight other companies to the trade mission's Singapore and Vietnam locations. Dain Hansen, IAPMO Senior Vice President of Government Relations, and Christopher Lindsay, Manager of IAPMO Government Relations, will represent IAPMO on the delegation.

"The ASEAN region is actively seeking solutions for its water and environmental management needs," Kumar said. "The mission participants are considered subject-matter experts and will collaborate using their expertise to begin developing widespread sustainable water solutions for the ASEAN region."

Over the past two years, IAPMO has aggressively increased its work in this region, assisting with code development and product testing and certification toward standardization of plumbing practices, products, and work force.

"On the heals of IAPMO's successful and continued work in Indonesia, our current work in the Philippines, and our past work in Vietnam, this trade delegation to the ASEAN region comes at the opportune time," Hansen said. "With the water crisis throughout Southeast Asia, we are thrilled to engage with key ministries and stakeholders while providing IAPMO's members and clients the path into such an important international market."

Singapore, Vietnam and the Philippines are part of the 10 member states in the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), which represents a region that received more than \$78 billion in merchandise exports from the United States in 2014. The Water Infrastructure Business Development Mission will address Singapore's water demand, Vietnam's wastewater treatment, and the impact of water on the Philippines' growing population.

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