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IAPMO Technical Committee Meetings First Step Toward Development of 2018 Uniform Solar/Hydronic and Swimming Pool Codes

Ontario, Calif. (Sept. 21, 2016) — The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) on Oct. 25-26 will host Technical Committee meetings toward the ANSI-accredited consensus development of the 2018 editions of the *Uniform Solar Energy and Hydronics Code (USEHC)* and *Uniform Swimming Pool, Spa and Hot Tub Code (USPSHTC)*.

The technical committees, consisting of a broad coalition of industry experts — installers, inspection officials, contractors, engineers, and manufacturers — will consider public proposals to amend the *USEHC* and *USPSHTC* in advance of the release of the 2018 editions.

The USEHC Technical Committee will consider the following topics Oct. 26:

- Protection of potable water in hydronic systems.
- Air testing of plastic piping in hydronic systems.
- Tankless water heaters for hydronic heating systems.
- Open- and closed-type expansion tanks.
- New material for hydronic systems.
- Radiant heating and cooling tube fasteners.
- Hydronic plastic tubing joining methods.
- Hydronic underground piping installation.
- Direct exchanger (DX) systems.
- Vertical boreholes.
- Factory-made air ducts.
- Flexible air ducts.
- Duct leakage tests.
- Electrical provisions in solar photovoltaic systems.

The *USEHC* is a model code developed by IAPMO to govern the installation and inspection of solar energy and hydronics systems as a means of promoting the public's health, safety and welfare.

The USPSHTC Technical Committee will meet via teleconference Oct. 25 and consider the following topics:

- Updating requirements for the design, materials and methods of construction, facilities, and decks as they pertain to public and private swimming pools, spas and hot tubs.
- Adding reference standards where appropriate and the updating of existing reference standards.
- Reviewing the requirements for Aquatic Recreational Attractions with regards to diving facilities, slides, decks, means of access, equipment, and wave pools.

The *USPSHTC* is a model code developed by IAPMO to govern the installation and inspection of both public and private swimming pools, spas and hot tubs to ensure the safety of their operation.

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