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IAPMO Releases 2011 Uniform Plumbing Code – India

Ontario, Calif. (Nov. 23, 2011) — An updated version of the Uniform Plumbing Code – India ®, developed jointly by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) and the Indian Plumbing Association (IPA), is now available.

IAPMO CEO GP Russ Chaney announced the release of the 2011 Uniform Plumbing Code – India on Nov. 18 during the 15th Indian Plumbing Conference in New Delhi. Originally introduced in February 2008, the UPC-I serves as the model code of plumbing installation and maintenance for the entire nation of more than 1.1 billion people.

Dan Cole, IAPMO’s Technical Services supervisor, said the majority of changes from the 2008 edition come as a result of aligning the 2011 UPC-I with the 2009 version of the UPC. English measurements were also removed, he said, and replaced with International System of Units (SI) equivalents. Additionally, the 2011 UPC-I includes addendums related to copper plumbing products and systems; sewage pump stations and sizing of sump and pumps; and an alternative method of designing a single-stack vent system.

“The new version of the Uniform Plumbing Code – India is another step toward ensuring the Indian people are served by the most up-to-date set of codes governing plumbing practices and the installation and maintenance of plumbing and sanitation systems available,” Chaney said.

IAPMO-India, the IPA and the Central Public Works Department (CPWD) of the Government of India signed a Memorandum of Understanding in 2009 in which the CPWD voluntarily adopted the UPC-I and implemented the Plumbing Education to Employment Program (PEEP) curriculum jointly developed by IAPMO-India and the IPA.

The updated version of the UPC-I is another example of the ongoing relationship IAPMO has with the IPA and of its strong cooperative presence in the nation.

In March 2011, IAPMO-India and the IPA announced the release of the Uniform Swimming Pool Code – India (USPC-I). The code of practice governs the materials, installation and maintenance associated with swimming pool systems for India.

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