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IAPMO Granted Audited Designator Status in Development of WE♦Stand

Ontario, Calif. (Oct. 13, 2015) – The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO®) applied for and was granted Audited Designator status by the American National Standard Institute (ANSI) in the ANSI-accredited consensus development of the Water Efficiency and Sanitation standard to be known as WE♦Stand 2017. Accordingly, WE♦Stand will be designated as an American National Standard immediately upon finalization, without the need for review by the ANSI Board of Standards Review.

In September 2011, IAPMO was granted Audited Designator status for its flagship *Uniform Codes* — *the Uniform Plumbing Code*®, *Uniform Mechanical Code*®, *Uniform Solar Energy and Hydronics Code*®, and *Uniform Swimming Pool, Spa, and Hot Tub Code*® — becoming one of only six organizations worldwide holding the prestigious honor.

"WE Stand will provide a unique opportunity for the most talented and committed minds in the plumbing and water efficiency communities to come together and develop a meaningful and comprehensive standard dedicated exclusively toward safely optimizing water use in and around residential, commercial and institutional buildings," said IAPMO CEO GP Russ Chaney. "IAPMO is proud to have the scope of our Audited Designated status expanded by ANSI to include this critically important standard."

WE Stand, which will use as its basis the water provisions within IAPMO's 2015 *Green Plumbing and Mechanical Code Supplement (GPMCS)*, draws upon IAPMO's core competency and industry expertise in plumbing systems for the purpose of providing comprehensive requirements to optimize water use practices attributed to the built environment while maintaining protection of the public health, safety and welfare.

Earlier this month, IAPMO called for proposals, setting a Dec. 1 deadline for submissions. IAPMO intends to publish the standard in December 2017.

For more information on WE♦Stand, please contact Dan Cole, IAPMO technical services supervisor, at (708) 995-3009 or dan.cole@iapmo.org.

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