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### **IAPMO Extends Proposals Deadline for 2017 WE♣Stand**

**Ontario, Calif. (Nov. 23, 2015)** – The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO®) has extended the deadline calling for formal proposals toward the development of the 2017 Water Efficiency and Sanitation Standard (WE♣Stand). Proposals will now be accepted until 5 p.m. PST on Jan. 29.

The proposal form, with instructions and background on IAPMO's ANSI-accredited consensus process, as well as the WE♣Stand draft document, can be found at:

<http://www.iapmo.org/WEStand/Pages/DocumentInformation.aspx>.

All proposals recommending new text, revised text, or the deletion of text must be written in legislative format and clearly state the reason behind the recommendation.

The standard, which will use as its basis the water and sanitation 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.

IAPMO will employ a voluntary consensus development process accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) for the development of WE♣Stand, enabling anyone to have a voice in the development of the standard. The WE♣Stand Technical Committee, charged with the development and ongoing maintenance of WE♣Stand, brings together an impressive and diverse assembly of plumbing and water efficiency experts.

IAPMO urges its members and other interested parties to get involved in the development process to ensure effectiveness in preserving the public health, safety, and welfare through strict governance of its codes and standards. Manufacturers, potential users of the standard, installers and maintainers, labor representatives, design professionals, enforcing authorities, and consumers all benefit from a cooperative effort in developing codes and standards.

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