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IAPMO R&T Lab Opens Electrical Laboratory

Ontario, Calif. (Dec. 3, 2008) – IAPMO R&T Lab, a long-trusted name in independent testing, research and technical services for the plumbing and mechanical industries, has formally opened a new electrical laboratory to further enhance its already comprehensive list of testing capabilities.

Incorporating more than 1,300 square feet of the lab's ongoing expansion at The IAPMO Group World Headquarters in Ontario, Calif., the electrical laboratory features separate spaces for both wet and dry testing. Wet testing comprises all instances where there is direct interaction between water and the applicable electrical unit. These include a host of plumbing products, such as hydro massage bathtubs or spas with stereos, LCD televisions and chromotherapy mood lighting built into the unit, electronic faucets, water softeners, submersible or non-submersible pumps, chlorinators, sprinkler controllers, pedicure spas, and bidet seats (washlet) with built in heaters, solenoid valves, electric water heaters, blowers and deodorizers.

The dry testing or burnout room houses the testing associated with scenarios of catastrophic failure. A third space, the ozone offgas test room, will be completed soon for the testing of ozone generators to OSHA regulation.

Many of IAPMO R&T Lab's manufacturer clients now market products featuring consumer friendly electrical amenities. The new electrical lab once again offers these manufacturers all of the necessary testing services under one roof, expediting the process and managing the costs associated with product testing.

"These new testing capabilities represent another significant renewal of our commitment to serving our customers," said IAPMO R&T Labs Senior Director Ken Wijaya. "We have always been a partner with our clients; with no bureaucracy. The same will be true of the electrical lab."

Heading up the new laboratory as Manager, Electrical Testing is Tony Zhou, who has supervised construction of the lab since joining IAPMO R&T Lab earlier this year following 10 previous years with Underwriters Laboratories (UL), most recently as Senior Project Engineer. Zhou brings extensive experience in establishing testing infrastructure and facilities, training laboratory technicians and providing consultation to clients on compliance and other testing issues.

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