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## Plumbing Manufacturers International Opens Registration for New Online Course Focused on Legionella, Backflow and More

McLean, Va., May 16. 2019 – Registration is now open for a new <u>Plumbing Manufacturers</u> <u>International</u> (PMI) online course featuring in-depth information on Legionella and water supply systems, backflow issues and several other important plumbing subjects.

"Part 2: Standards and Topics in Plumbing," open to both PMI members and non-members, is a follow-up to "Part 1: A Primer on Standards, Regulations, Codes and Conformity Assessment." Part 2 is designed for plumbing manufacturing professionals with technical experience who would like a deeper dive into standards and other important topics.

Part 2 course material includes a discussion on how a water supply system can become contaminated with Legionella; how the weighted average lead content is determined in NSF 372 (Drinking Water System Components – Lead Content) for plumbing products such as faucets; and accessibility requirements that impact plumbing product manufacturers. In addition, the course covers:

- Backflow and its causes, and the standards that pertain to backflow prevention
- Standards that regulate water temperature and the various valves used
- Minimum water quality standards and conservation requirements
- Accessible design and the fundamental provisions for design and installation
- Regulations affecting manufactured housing
- Legionella and water supply systems
- Background information on the major U.S. standard development organizations

Elida De Jesus, OEM associate with Neoperl – a PMI member, said she plans to register for the part 2 course to build on what she learned in the first course. "I'm looking forward to learning more about conservation requirements, since flow rates are constantly changing, and backflow, which is an issue in the industry." Having started her position only a year ago, Elida said the courses also are helping her establish a solid foundation of industry know-how.

**Emilee Hughes**, PMI education manager, said the part 2 course is invaluable for anyone wanting to learn about the many standards and regulations for the plumbing industry. "Attendees will walk away able to design compliant products for common situations, and for specific purposes like manufactured housing and accessible design," she said.

The course fee for either the Part 1 or Part 2 course:

• PMI members: \$119 (a discount of \$50!)

• Non-members: \$169

• Group discounts available

Register for Part 1 at <a href="http://beeid.org/86123451ae59">http://beeid.org/86123451ae59</a>.

Register for Part 2 at <a href="http://beeid.org/5738396cf578">http://beeid.org/5738396cf578</a>.

## **About Plumbing Manufacturers International**

Plumbing Manufacturers International (PMI) is the trade association of plumbing product manufacturers that produce more than 90 percent of the United States' plumbing products, represent more than 150 iconic brands, and develop safe, reliable and innovative water-efficient plumbing technologies. PMI members contribute more than 464,000 jobs and \$85.5 billion in economic impact to America's economy.

With a vision of safe, responsible plumbing – always, PMI advocates for plumbing product performance contributing to water efficiency and savings, sustainability, public health and safety, and consumer satisfaction. PMI members manufacture water-efficient toilets, urinals, faucets, showerheads and other products at more than 70 locations across the country and market them online and in home improvement stores, hardware stores and showrooms in all 50 states. For more information on PMI, contact the organization at 1750 Tysons Blvd., Ste. 1500, McLean, Va., 22102; tel.: 847-481-5500; fax: 847-481-5501. www.safeplumbing.org.

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