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## Call for Abstracts Issued for 7<sup>th</sup> Emerging Water Technology Symposium

McLean, Va. – March 4, 2019 – A <u>call for abstracts</u> for the 7<sup>th</sup> biannual Emerging Water Technology Symposium (EWTS), to be held from May 12-13, 2020, in San Antonio, can be downloaded from the EWTS website at <u>https://ewts.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/EWTS\_call\_for\_abstracts\_2020.pdf</u>. The deadline for submitting an abstract is Oct. 1, 2019.

The symposium will be co-convened by the American Society of Plumbing Engineers (ASPE), the Alliance for Water Efficiency (AWE), the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO), and Plumbing Manufacturers International (PMI), in cooperation with the World Plumbing Council (WPC).

Abstracts will be welcomed on topics including the water-energy nexus, water efficiency, water quality, alternate water sources, 3-D modeling for plumbing and mechanical applications, water reuse, water infrastructure, sustainability, mitigating opportunistic pathogens, and more, said PMI CEO/Executive Director Kerry Stackpole, on behalf of the leadership of the four associations organizing the conference (Billy Smith, ASPE; Mary Ann Dickinson, AWE; and GP Russ Chaney, IAPMO). "EWTS is an international symposium and we encourage interested parties from around the globe to submit abstracts," he emphasized.

EWTS provides an opportunity for experts to present new ideas and approaches, emerging technologies coming to market, innovative green plumbing and mechanical concepts, and more. Professionals from the manufacturing, engineering, plumbing and mechanical, and water utility industries participate, along with individuals from government and academia.

"Over the years, EWTS has grown into a much-anticipated forum that provides presenters with the opportunity to increase the visibility of their ideas, products, services and organizations," Stackpole said. "PMI is looking forward to collaborating with ASPE, AWE and IAPMO to develop a program and networking event that will be beneficial to both presenters and professionals wishing to have an outstanding professional development experience."

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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.: <u>847-481-5500</u>; fax: <u>847-481-5501</u>. www.safeplumbing.org.

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