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Plumbing Manufacturers International Names Trade Association Leader Kerry Stackpole as CEO and Executive Director

Rolling Meadows, III. – June 5, 2017 – Plumbing Manufacturers International (PMI), the trade association promoting water efficiency, health, safety, quality and the environmental sustainability of plumbing products worldwide, today announced that it has appointed Kerry Stackpole, FASAE, CAE, as Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director, effective June 12, 2017.

Stackpole has spent over two decades leading trade associations in manufacturing, technology and services. His leadership helped grow technology associations from start-up into multi-million-dollar entities and established their positions as leading industry organizations.



Most recently, Stackpole served as an advance team leader for the Executive Office of the President, working both domestically and internationally to execute events on behalf of the President and Vice President of the United States. Prior to the White House, he was President and CEO of Printing and Graphics Association Mid-Atlantic, crafting the association's award-winning marketing campaign and driving its merger with Printing Industries of Virginia. He has also served as CEO of four other trade associations and as an interim CEO and strategy consultant to professional groups.

Stackpole is a Certified Association Executive (CAE) and Fellow of the American Society of Association Executives (FASAE). He holds a Master of Education in Organization and Management Development from Cambridge College.

"I'm incredibly excited to join the PMI team," said Stackpole. "PMI has that rare combination of a passionate member base, a strong commitment to social action, and a talented team of people whose dedication to promoting safe, responsible plumbing is unmatched. The extraordinary product innovations from our member firms and the continued commitment to sound environmental and public health policies are setting new standards to make water a more sustainable resource. I'm honored to join this dynamic leadership team and to partner with all the great people that fuel PMI's continued growth and success. As we add services for our members, deepen our association presence, and explore new opportunities, our mission remains unchanged – safe, responsible plumbing, always."

Stackpole succeeds Barbara C. Higgens, who has led PMI for the past 19 years and who will continue to assist in a consulting capacity during the transition to the new leader.

Plumbing Manufacturers International engaged Kittleman & Associates to conduct a search for a new CEO and Executive Director. Kittleman & Associates is a Chicago-based national executive search firm that specializes in the recruitment of CEOs for tax-exempt nonprofit organizations, public charities and philanthropic organizations. For more information, visit www.kittlemansearch.com.

About Plumbing Manufacturers International (PMI)

Plumbing Manufacturers International is the voluntary, not-for-profit international industry association of manufacturers of plumbing products, serving as the Voice of the Plumbing Industry. Member companies produce 90 percent of the nation's plumbing products and represent more than 150 brands. As part of its mission, PMI advocates for plumbing product performance and innovation contributing to water savings, sustainability, public health and safety, and consumer satisfaction. For more information, contact the organization at 1921 Rohlwing Road, Unit G, Rolling Meadows, IL, 60008; tel.: 847-481-5500; fax: 847-481-5501. Visit our website at www.safeplumbing.org.