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PMI Names Martin Knieps and Michael Martinez to Board of Directors

McLean, Va. – May 14, 2019 – [Plumbing Manufacturers International](#) announced today the addition of two new members to the PMI Board of Directors: Martin Knieps, of [Viega LLC](#), and Michael Martinez, of [Delta Faucet Company](#). Both individuals will serve terms through 2020.

Knieps, director of technical marketing at Viega, and Martinez, product compliance manager at Delta, served as the co-chairs of PMI's Advocacy/Government Affairs Committee during 2017 and 2018.

Located in Broomfield, Colo., Knieps has been a PMI member since 2015, when Viega joined PMI. He said Viega finds value in participating in discussions about industry issues and in helping to shape proactively both the discussion and the plumbing manufacturing industry's response to challenges. Viega is a global manufacturer and distributor of cold-press pipe fittings for multiple systems suitable for residential, commercial and industrial markets, as well as in-wall flushing and radiant products. Knieps said he believes he can bring his company's perspective to the board's discussions. "I'm excited to join PMI's board and look forward to contributing," he stated.

From his office in Indianapolis, Martinez said his board position is the latest in various leadership roles over the course of nearly 20 years as a PMI member. In addition to serving with Knieps as a co-chair, he was the co-chair of PMI's Conformity Assessment Committee and of its Technical Committee. A Delta employee since 2011, Martinez said he "enjoys working with like-minded individuals who put the betterment of the plumbing manufacturing industry first and work together toward common goals." Martinez is involved in several plumbing fittings and fixtures standards development committees: the American Society of Mechanical Engineers/Canadian Standards Association ASME A112/CSA B125 Joint Harmonization Task Group on Plumbing Fittings, the CSA B125 Technical Committee on Plumbing Fittings, and the CSA B45 Technical Committee on Plumbing Fixtures.

PMI Board of Directors President Nate Kogler, of [Bradley Corporation](#), welcomed both new members. "All of us on the board anticipate excellent insights from Martin and Michael, and we're eager to listen to them and learn from them," he said. "I'm sure their contributions will lead to outstanding outcomes for PMI members."

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](tel:847-481-5500); fax: [847-481-5501](tel:847-481-5501). www.safeplumbing.org.

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