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IAPMO’s Uniform Evaluation Service Enters Cooperative Agreement with Certified Testing Laboratories (CTL)

Ontario, Calif. (Jan. 27, 2015) — IAPMO’s Uniform Evaluation Service (UES) has entered into a cooperative agreement with Certified Testing Laboratories (CTL) for the development and maintenance of evaluation reports, with CTL performing the corresponding product testing. As a result of the agreement, CTL clients may choose to have their products recognized in the form of a Uniform Evaluation Report.

“This agreement provides CTL clients the opportunity to have their products recognized in an Uniform Evaluation Report while maintaining current qualified testing relationships,” said Jim Blakely, vice president of CTL.

CTL is ISO 17025 accredited through International Accreditation Service (IAS) report TL-609. The report recognizes CTL’s ability to test exterior windows, skylights, doors, and curtain walls to ASTM Standards E 283, E 330, E 331, E 547, E 1886, E 1996, F 588 and F 842; and Miami-Dade Test Protocol TAS 201, 202 and 203. CTL headquarters are in Orlando, Fla.

“This agreement makes sense, yielding a win for manufacturers, building professionals and code officials,” said Richard Beck, vice president of Uniform Evaluation Services. “It effectively allows both organizations to do what they do best for the efficient advancement of the building industry.”

Products recognized under UES have successfully undergone evaluation based on applicable requirements within the International Family of Codes, as well as codes published by other entities. UES staff thoroughly examines a product’s information, test reports, calculations, quality assurance, quality control methods, and production processes/procedures to determine if a product is code compliant.

The UES program is built upon IAPMO’s more than 70 years of experience in evaluating products for code compliance. Accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), the program operates under ISO/IEC Guide 65, “General Requirements for Bodies Operating Product Certification Systems.”

IAPMO’s UES offers a full range of recognition opportunities, including for the applicable national model codes, as well as Florida, California and various other state codes. The UES program increases the value to code officials of these reports by combining all of these recognitions in one concise report prepared by an internationally recognized product certification body.

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