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### **ANSI Expands ICC-ES PMG/WaterSense Program Accreditation to Include High-Efficiency Showerheads**

ICC Evaluation Service (ICC-ES) announced on March 11, 2011, that the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Accreditation Committee has voted to expand its accreditation of the ICC-ES / WaterSense PMG Listing Program to include high-efficiency showerheads. Prior to this scope expansion, ICC-ES's ANSI accreditation included high-efficiency toilets (HETs), urinals, and lavatory faucets. Now, with the addition of showerheads, the ICC-ES / WaterSense program is comprehensive and includes a wider range of PMG (plumbing, mechanical, and fuel gas) products.

“Since the program’s inception,” said Dawn La Fleur-Qualley, ICC-ES PMG Certification Program Manager, “ICC-ES has worked in tandem with EPA’s WaterSense program to offer manufacturers a means to distinguish their water-efficient products in the marketplace. Now, with this additional capability, we expect that ICC-ES will be positioned to add even more value to manufacturers of plumbing fixtures. Even more, this announcement is a direct response to market demand. Our clients and prospective customers have been inquiring about the availability of a showerhead designation for some time. Now we can deliver on that need.”

Sponsored by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), WaterSense is designed to promote water efficiency with the goal of protecting the nation’s water supply. Any manufacturer wishing to use the WaterSense label must receive a listing from a licensed certifying body such as ICC-ES. A leader in evaluating building products for code compliance, ICC-ES works with WaterSense to offer manufacturers a label that can be used to clearly distinguish products that meet the EPA criteria.

ICC-ES PMG Listings and WaterSense support the International Green Construction Code (IGCC) and California Green Building Standards (CALGreen), as well as green rating systems such as the NAHB’s and ICC National Green Building Standard (ICC 700-2008), USGBC’s LEED, and EnergyStar.

The ICC-ES product evaluation program offers a full range of certification activities, including PMG listings and evaluation of sustainable product attributes. ICC-ES PMG

can certify products to AB1953, Annex G of NSF/ANSI 61, and the requirements of WaterSense for free.

### **About ICC-ES**

A nonprofit, limited liability company, ICC-ES is the United States' leading evaluation service for innovative building materials, components and systems. The ICC-ES [Evaluation Reports](#) and [PMG Listing Program](#) provide evidence that products and systems meet requirements in codes and standards. The [ICC-ES SAVE Program](#) provides manufacturers with verification that their products meet specific sustainability targets defined by today's codes, standards and green rating systems. The program also takes into account codes such as the International Green Construction Code (IGCC) and the California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen). ICC-ES is a subsidiary of the [International Code Council](#).

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