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### Standards Council of Canada Accredits ICC-ES PMG

[ICC Evaluation Service](http://www.icc-es.org) (ICC-ES) announced today that its Plumbing, Mechanical and Fuel Gas (PMG) program has been accredited by the [Standards Council of Canada](http://www.scc-scc.ca) (SCC) with [following scope](#) of accreditation. “This is a great day for us,” said Dawn La Fleur-Qualley, PMG Certification Program Manager. “SCC is a tough accreditor, and we’ve been working diligently and have successfully satisfied their requirements. The accreditation is a real achievement, and will give a major boost to the PMG program.”

Given the new accreditation, the ICC-ES PMG Program—which has long been accredited in the United States by the [American National Standards Institute](http://www.anisi.org) (ANSI)—can now certify products for both the Canadian and U.S. markets. The ICC-ES Executive Director for Certification Programs, [Shahin Moinian](#), believes that manufacturers of plumbing and mechanical products will see substantial benefits in this expansion of ICC-ES certification capabilities. “A number of companies have come to us in the past and asked about Canadian certification,” says Moinian. “Now we can tell them that ICC-ES offers not only a quality program with the most recognized mark of conformity, fast service, and reasonable fees, but also certification of their products under Canadian as well as U.S. standards. They can use our services to help sell products on both sides of the border.”

The ICC-ES PMG Program normally certifies products to both code requirements and applicable technical standards. To gain SCC accreditation, ICC-ES PMG first submitted its program documents to SCC accreditation officers. Thereafter, an SCC team of assessors visited the ICC-ES offices in Whittier, California, and Birmingham, Alabama, where they reviewed records and interviewed staff to determine that the ICC-ES PMG Program was fully compliant with Canada’s stringent requirements for product certification agencies. “The Canadian assessors were tough, thorough, and fair,” says Dawn La Fleur-Qualley. “They looked at our whole operation, from the time we receive an application for certification, to the granting of the certification as well as the surveillance audits that are conducted at factories, after a product is certified. The process was rigorous, but well worth it.”

The ICC-ES PMG Program offers a full range of certification activities, including certification of products under the International Codes, applicable technical standards, EPA programs, and a variety of state and federal laws. La Fleur-Qualley says that because of ICC-ES’ long history as a product certifier, its superb technical staff, and its double accreditation in the U.S. and Canada, “manufacturers can be assured that their ICC-ES certifications are going to be widely accepted and relied upon by regulatory agencies.”

To learn more about ICC-ES PMG, please contact ICC-ES at 1-800-423-6587, extension 7643, or by e-mail at [espmg@icc-es.org](mailto:espmg@icc-es.org).

## 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](#)<sup>®</sup> (IgCC<sup>®</sup>) and the [California Green Building Standards Code](#) (CALGreen). ICC-ES is a subsidiary of the [International Code Council](#)<sup>®</sup> (ICC<sup>®</sup>).

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