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### **New One-Stop Quality Assurance Service Offered by IAPMO R&T Lab**

ONTARIO, CA (July 5, 2007) — Plumbing product manufacturers know the importance of maintaining quality standards that accurately reflect their company's brand and reputation. From the factory to the sales floor, products should be continuously monitored to ensure that only the highest quality components are used in the manufacturing process. IAPMO R&T Laboratory, a trusted name in plumbing and mechanical product testing, now offers pre-purchase, pre-shipment, and ongoing quality assurance services for plumbing, mechanical, and construction products, giving manufacturers an extra measure of confidence in their production process.

By implementing quality controls in the pre-purchase and pre-shipment phases, manufacturers can avoid costly recalls and prevent product failure, ultimately protecting their brand image. IAPMO R&T Laboratory's auditors can either visit suppliers' facilities to verify conformity to predetermined quality standards or ship products directly to IAPMO R&T Laboratory for physical testing. Ongoing quality assurance service is also available, with continuous monitoring of supplier plants or third party auditing of a manufacturer's own internal practices.

"Quality analysis by an independent third-party agency is essential to maintaining the integrity of a product," said Ken Wijaya, senior director of IAPMO R&T Laboratory. "Manufacturers can protect their bottom line by ensuring that only the highest quality components are used in the production process."

For more information on this and other services offered by IAPMO R&T Laboratory, please visit [www.iapmo.org/rtl](http://www.iapmo.org/rtl).

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