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PPI AND ICC WORKING TOGETHER ON

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION CODE PROGRAMS

Safe Use of Plastic Pipe for Plumbing, Fire Sprinklers, and
Radiant Heating/Cooling Reinforced

IRVING, Texas (**September 19, 2012**) - The Plastics Pipe Institute, Inc. (PPI) today announced that it has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the International Code Council (ICC) providing a framework for the two organizations to identify opportunities to work together on educational, technical, scientific, legislative and regulatory matters. PPI is the major trade association representing all segments of the plastic pipe industry. The ICC is the premier code developer and product evaluator in North America and helps the building safety community and construction industry provide safe and sustainable construction through the development of codes and standards used in the design, build and compliance processes.

"For nearly 60 years, the PPI has sought out kindred organizations with which to form alliances that improve and advance the industries we serve," stated Tony Radoszewski, executive director of the PPI. "This agreement with the ICC fosters the interchange of ideas, promotes synergy for our programs and enhances educational efforts for both organizations."

PPI and ICC will disseminate information and collaborate on issues related to codes and standards concerning plastic piping system designs and installations. Together, both non-profit organizations will reinforce the safe use of plastic piping for plumbing, fire sprinkler and radiant

heating and cooling systems and in other building applications. This will be accomplished through publications, reports, association conferences, meetings and educational and training sessions, and work with ICC's subsidiary, ICC Evaluation Service, LLC (ICC-ES).

"Our goal at ICC is to create a safer world to live in," stated Mark Johnson, executive vice president & director of business development for ICC. "To achieve this, ICC members participate in code development and rely on the technical advice from ICC staff. Our alliance with PPI bolsters these efforts. It will be an integral part of our Blueprint 2015 business plan to develop training and support materials and best practice solutions and code regulations."

For more information, visit the Plastics Pipe Institute website: www.plasticpipe.org.

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About PPI:

The Plastics Pipe Institute Inc. (PPI) is the major trade association representing all segments of the plastic pipe industry and is dedicated to promoting plastics as the material of choice for pipe applications. PPI is the premier technical, engineering and industry knowledge resource publishing data for use in development and design of plastic pipe systems. Additionally, PPI collaborates with industry organizations that set standards for manufacturing practices and installation methods.

About ICC:

The International Code Council is a member-focused association dedicated to helping the building safety community and construction industry provide safe and sustainable construction through the development of codes and standards used in the design, build and compliance process. Most U.S. communities and many global markets choose the International Codes.