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FOREWORD

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This foreword shall not be considered a part of the standard. However, it is offered to provide background information.

This is the first edition of ASSE/IAPMO/ANSI Series 13000, *Service Plumber and Residential Mechanical Service Technician Professional Qualifications Standard*.

ASSE International is dedicated to the preservation of public health and safety through the use of proper plumbing and piping practices, and approved materials. In the spirit of its motto, “Prevention Rather Than Cure,” ASSE’s mission is to continually improve the performance, reliability and safety of plumbing systems.

The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) has been protecting the public’s health and safety, and supporting sustainability and emerging technology for more than 80 years by working in concert with government and industry to implement comprehensive plumbing and mechanical systems around the world.

With the escalation of green building and the rapid emergence of sustainable technologies and construction practices, ASSE and IAPMO recognized the need to establish a level of competency necessary for the installation and inspection of sustainable plumbing and mechanical systems and products to protect public health, safety and the environment. As such, the Series 13000 working group was established to develop this *Service Plumber and Residential Mechanical Service Technician Professional Qualifications Standard*.

The Series 13000 institutes a minimum level of practical experience, and the plumbing service and residential mechanical service knowledge required in order for an individual to demonstrate the required level of competency.

This voluntary, consensus standard was promulgated in accordance with procedures developed by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

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