Western HVAC Performance Alliance Inc. (WHPA)



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A Message from the Western HVAC Performance Alliance Inc. Officers

We are pleased to announce that the Western HVAC Performance Alliance (WHPA) has incorporated as a California nonprofit public benefit corporation known as Western HVAC Performance Alliance Inc. for the purpose of providing, conducting and promoting research and education focused on energy efficiency, environmental quality, and sustainability through the HVACR lens.

As you may recall, WHPA (as the unincorporated entity) was initially founded in 2009 in response to the portion of the California Energy Efficiency Strategic Plan (CEESP) that reads: "An HVAC Advisory Group should be chartered to involve high-level HVAC industry stakeholders—such as manufacturers, distributors, and contractors—to coordinate industry sponsorship of and participation in HVAC strategies. Membership should also include other key players, such as the CPUC, Energy Commission, utilities, building owners/managers, consumers, and the Federal government."

As a nonprofit public benefit corporation, WHPA will continue to work as a guiding light for California stakeholders to educate and drive present and future HVACR energy efficiency initiatives and benefit consumers. This includes facilitated communication and action as a broad and diverse stakeholder advisory group whose collective expertise informs the development and implementation of efficiency strategy, policy and programs focused on topics such as HVAC Energy Efficiency and Demand Response, Emerging Technology, the HVACR Industry, HVACR Community Engagement, Consumer Outreach, Codes and Standards, Public Policy, and Workforce Education & Training.

More information about the foundational unincorporated organization, including the WHPA research library of past work products representative of the immense institutional knowledge and influence the WHPA has to offer, many of which were incorporated into activities of the California Energy Commission (CEC), the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), the California Investor Owned Utilities (IOUs), and other interested parties is currently available at performancealliance.org. That content will be merged into this whpa-inc.org website by early July 2018 at which time membership registration will also be reactivated. Membership is available in the following primary voting categories: (1) Direct Supply Chain/Market Actor/End User, (2) Industry/Consumer Organizations, (3) Local/State/Federal Government Agencies, and (4) Energy Providers/Program Administrators, as well as a nonvoting Associate category.

The WHPA Officers, Board of Directors, and Staff thank you for your patience while we have been actively laying the operational nonprofit business infrastructure on our path to resumed member recruitment and engagement.

To ensure WHPA as a nonprofit entity continues to meet membership needs while ensuring its mission to serve as a credible, reliable, influential, and effective resource for a broad-based community of stakeholders who have joined forces to transform the Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration marketplace through its focus on energy efficiency, environmental quality, and sustainability goals and outcomes, **we want to hear from you**. Please contact us at info@whpa-inc.org with any questions or comments you may have.

We look forward to our future engagement and thank you, in advance, for your continued support of the WHPA in its new formation.

Best regards,

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