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Dear PAHRA Accredited School Leader:

Re: PHCC's support for ACCE Accreditation Program

On behalf of the members of the Plumbing, Heating, Cooling Contractors National Association (PHCC), we strongly support the transition of of the Partnership for Air-Conditioning, Heating, Refrigeration Accreditation (PAHRA) to the American Council for Construction Education (ACCE).

The PHCC National Association represents approximately 3500 plumbing and HVACR businesses and 65,000 technicians. There is a crucial need for skilled workers in the trades and the number one challenge facing our members. As an organization whose mission is dedicated to the advancement and education of the plumbing and HVACR industry for health, safety and welfare of society and the protection of the environment, we understand the critical role HVACR training programs and their instructors play in attracting and training workers coming into the industry.

We see ACCE's accreditation program as a critical step in guaranteeing HVACR programs are investing in a level of educational quality that focuses on establishing as well as maintaining high standards and ensuring the school's educators meet the needs of the industry.

I have personally been involved with ACCE for the past couple of years and cannot speak highly enough of their professionalism and their dedication to raising the bar and improving the outcomes in construction workforce education and training programs.

I hope you will take a close look at ACCE as you explore future accreditation. For more information about ACCE please visit www.acce-hq.org or contact Steve Nellis, President/CEO of to learn more. Steve can be reached at steve.nellis@acce-hq.org or (972)660-8800.

Sincerely,

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