**世界建筑给水排水日视频有利于宣传水的问题**  
Did you know that more than 700,000 children die each year from communicable diseases caused by drinking contaminated water? Using numerous facts and figures, <a href="https://docs.google.com/file/d/0B1H90KPPnIwndEJlcEtjUlZ3aGs/edit"> [a new video from the World Plumbing Council](https://docs.google.com/file/d/0B1H90KPPnIwndEJlcEtjUlZ3aGs/edit)</a>, featuring WPC Chairman Sudhakaran Nair, explains the importance of protecting and conserving the world’s water supply. This video would make an excellent vehicle for promoting World Plumbing Day in your community this March.

**加拿大行业协会请求议会承认2014世界建筑给水排水日**  
The Canadian Institute of Plumbing & Heating and the Mechanical Contractors Association of Canada recently submitted <a href="http://aspe.org/sites/default/files/webfm/pdfs/CIPH\_letter\_to\_Parliament.pdf"> [a letter to the Constituency Office](http://aspe.org/sites/default/files/webfm/pdfs/CIPH_letter_to_Parliament.pdf)</a> requesting that March 11, 2014 be proclaimed as World Plumbing Day in the Parliament of Canada and recognized in the House of Commons.

**纽约市水塔中发现死老鼠和鸟粪**  
<a href="http://www.nytimes.com/video/nyregion/100000002630106/inside-new-york-citys-water-towers.html?ref=earth"> [A new documentary by The New York Times](http://www.nytimes.com/video/nyregion/100000002630106/inside-new-york-citys-water-towers.html?ref=earth)</a> takes an inside look at the city’s rooftop water storage towers and finds alarming evidence of neglect and disrepair, possibly endangering the residents who use the towers for drinking water.

**饮用水列为最佳化工发明榜首**  
Chemical engineers recently voted drinking water as the most important chemically engineered invention/solution of the modern era, according to <a href="http://www.icheme.org/media\_centre/news/2014/drinking-water-petrol-and-antibiotics-top-poll-of-best-inventions.aspx#.UwOiCkJdXtA"> [a survey by the Institution of Chemical Engineers](http://www.icheme.org/media_centre/news/2014/drinking-water-petrol-and-antibiotics-top-poll-of-best-inventions.aspx#.UwOiCkJdXtA)</a>. Sanitation was voted the eighth most important invention.

**中国计划耗费几十亿美元改善给水**  
More than 50 percent of China’s groundwater is heavily polluted, threatening the drinking water supply for its 1.35 billion residents, so the government has pledged to spend $330 billion to improve the quality of the country’s water by 30 to 50 percent through investments in treatment technologies, <a href="http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/02/18/us-china-water-pollution-idUSBREA1H0H120140218"> [according to Reuters](http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/02/18/us-china-water-pollution-idUSBREA1H0H120140218)</a>.

**哪一州LEED认证的建筑面积最多？**  
Illinois led the pack in 2013, with 171 projects representing 2.29 square feet of LEED space per resident achieving LEED certification last year, followed by Maryland, Virginia, and Massachusetts. <a href="http://www.usgbc.org/articles/usgbc-releases-top-10-states-nation-leed-green-building"> [More>>](http://www.usgbc.org/articles/usgbc-releases-top-10-states-nation-leed-green-building)</a>

**EPA公布美国雨水计算器新版**  
This <a href="http://www.epa.gov/nrmrl/wswrd/wq/models/swc/"> [desktop application](http://www.epa.gov/nrmrl/wswrd/wq/models/swc/)</a> now includes changes in seasonal precipitation levels, the effects of more frequent high-intensity storms, and changes in evaporation rates based on validated climate change scenarios to help users predict future stormwater runoff.

**为帮助旅馆节水的 WaterSense新动议**  
The <a href="http://www.epa.gov/watersense/commercial/challenge.html"> [H2Otel Challenge](http://www.epa.gov/watersense/commercial/challenge.html)</a> encourages hotels to assess water use, change products or processes to save water, and track progress. A series of educational webinars begins February 27.

**网络课程解释美国能耗标准的变动情况**  
On May 14, “Significant Changes to Standard 90.1-2010,” offered through the <a href="https://ashrae.org/education--certification/2014-spring-online-courses"> [ASHRAE Learning Institute](https://ashrae.org/education--certification/2014-spring-online-courses)</a>, will provide an in-depth overview of the standard and answer questions about changes from previous editions. Other new courses being offered this spring cover commissioning, energy efficiency, and environmental quality topics, among others.

**美国建筑科学研究院开办网上建筑科学讲座**  
The first course, “<a href="http://training.nibs.org/cobieintro.php"> [Introduction to COBie](http://training.nibs.org/cobieintro.php)</a>,” explains how to implement a Construction Operations Building information exchange (COBie), which allows information to flow from the design phase, be added during construction, and be delivered to the facility manager upon completion.

**招聘委员修订美国绿色建筑标准**  
NAHB, ICC's partner in the development of ICC 700: National Green Building Standard, has issued a call for committee members, with applications due March 16. They also seek proposed changes to the standard by March 24. More information can be found <a href="http://www.homeinnovation.com/ngbs"> [here](http://www.homeinnovation.com/ngbs)</a>.

**环境标示试点工程需要认证机构，欢迎申请参与**  
This new ANSI program was implemented to determine the eligibility of a Type I environmental labeling certification scheme and to assess the competence of ecolabeling certification bodies. Applications to participate in the program are due by April 11. <a href="http://news.gnom.es/pr/ansi-launches-new-pilot-accreditation-program-to-determine-eligibility-of-a-type-i-environmental-labeling-certification-scheme-and-to-assess"> [More>>](http://news.gnom.es/pr/ansi-launches-new-pilot-accreditation-program-to-determine-eligibility-of-a-type-i-environmental-labeling-certification-scheme-and-to-assess)</a>

**2014 给水和污水交钥匙工程会议定于3月17-19举行**  
<a href="http://www.dbia.org/Conferences/water/Pages/default.aspx"> [This event in San Jose, California](http://www.dbia.org/Conferences/water/Pages/default.aspx)</a> is designed to help engineers, architects, and other building construction professionals learn how to implement design-build strategies in water and wastewater projects to save time and money and increase the quality of these systems.

**伊利诺州医用气体展览会将于9月18日开幕**  
ASPE is helping sponsor <a href="http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=glpyxccab&oeidk=a07e8h7kd270516ab5c"> [this free event](http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=glpyxccab&oeidk=a07e8h7kd270516ab5c)</a> for hospital engineers and medical gas professionals to learn about changes affecting the industry and the latest innovative industry products.