PIPE ASSOCIATION ISSUE BRIEF

BUY PVC PIPE MANUFACTURED BY MEMBERS OF THE PVC PIPE ASSOCIATION

The PVC Pipe Association (PVCPA) assists utilities and consulting engineers in the design, specification and installation of PVC piping systems and provides after-sales technical support. We believe that manufacturers of PVC pipe who are members of PVCPA are responsible producers and that municipalities should specify and buy their PVC pipe from them.

ENSURE YOUR UTILITY RECEIVES INSTALLATION AND AFTER-SALES SUPPORT FROM PVCPA

Founded in 1971, PVCPA serves the engineering, regulatory, public health and standardization communities and is the authoritative source of information on the design and application of gasketed-joint PVC pipe. PVCPA's technical publications, research and recommended standards are recognized around the world.

Responsible PVC pipe producers support PVCPA and:

- are committed to providing installation and after-sales support to their customers through their industry association;
- contribute to collective research, development and testing of PVC pipe to ensure the highest quality and long-term performance possible;
- work together with their industry association and other stakeholders to answer questions and address issues;
- recognize the importance of better understanding PVC piping systems through up-to-date technical information, hands-on presentations, and assistance with specifications development and project design through participation in PVCPA, which in turn assists water and sewer utilities;
- work with their industry association to maintain the required standards and to support certifications development.

ORANGE COUNTY, FL REQUIRES ALL PIPE MANUFACTURERS BE MEMBERS OF THEIR INDUSTRY ASSOCIATIONS

Follow Orange County's example. Only pipe manufacturers that are members of their industry associations can bid on water and sewer projects in Orange County, FL. "This ensures that these companies have the required technical expertise and resources to work with community engineers and that they are committed to after-sales customer service," says Troy Layton, Utility Construction Division Manager, Orange County.

UPDATE YOUR PVC PIPE SPECIFICATIONS TODAY!

Ensure installation and after-sales support from the PVC Pipe Association at no cost to your utility by specifying that the PVC pipe manufacturers who sell to your utility be members of PVCPA (<u>Click here</u> for Membership Directory). Please note that PVCPA does not assist utilities and consulting engineers for water and sewer projects that use PVC pipe purchased from non-members.

For an example of how to update your specifications, <u>click here</u> for Chapter 3, Section 3114 of Orange County Utilities: Standards and Construction Specifications Manual.

