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**PPM to exhibit at 'Build tight, ventilate right?' conference.**

Members of PPM's team will attend the upcoming 'Build tight, ventilate right?' conference to be held in Glasgow, Scotland on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February.

The conference will provide landlords, architects, housing associations, developers, policymakers and legislators with important new knowledge that is emerging from current research and practice in the UK and Europe that examines relationships between ventilation, indoor air quality and health.

We hope the event will be an opportunity to gain knowledge of the latest research in IAQ and Ventilation, as well as a chance to meet relevant people in the building industry. Hopefully there will also be some interest in our instruments from the conference delegates.

[Event Website](#)



**Survey of distributors aims to give insight in international marketplace.**

A survey was sent to all our distributors in December; the survey aims to give us an accurate picture of the trends in the international marketplace for formaldehyde detection and other IAQ parameters.

We are still waiting for replies from many of our distributors; we would appreciate timely responses if possible, as your answers will help us in formulating our strategy for 2012.

**\* If you haven't received the survey, and would like to complete it please contact me at - [gareth@ppm-technology.com](mailto:gareth@ppm-technology.com)**

**France attempts to cut Indoor Air Pollution.**

France has published a decree setting out how the quality of indoor air should be monitored in schools. According to the decree, the methods of ventilation used in these buildings should be evaluated and certain pollutants – namely formaldehyde, benzene and carbon dioxide - measured. The decree also agrees limit values for these pollutants, which if exceeded, should trigger further investigations to try to find the source of the pollution.

More info: <http://chemicalwatch.com/9595/france-attempts-to-cut-indoor-air-pollution>

**Request for Information – Formaldehyde emitted from Power Generator.**

We recently received a request for information from a prospective customer regarding Formaldehyde emissions from generator insulating materials (such as certain lamination insulation varnishes or insulating paints).

According to the customer - generator manufacturers have issued technical letters detailing the recommended protection measures.

***Does anyone have any experience or information regarding formaldehyde emitted from power generators? Any information will be greatly appreciated.***

If you have any relevant stories, including any recent or upcoming exhibitions, application stories or customer testimonials that you want to be included in the next newsletter please feel free to contact us:

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## CNN spotlight the hazards posed by poor IAQ in schools.

CNN have highlighted the dire condition of some schools in the US and the health hazards posed by poor indoor air quality.

The segment followed CNN's Chief Medical Correspondent Dr. Sanjay Gupta as he visits schools in Pennsylvania, New York, and Connecticut to examine the impact of indoor air quality on students and school employees. During his travels, Dr. Gupta spoke to National Education Association (NEA) members and leaders, including National Education Association Vice President Lily Eskelsen, who called the poor condition of schools a "national crisis" and emphasized how the ability of many students to learn depends on a safe and healthy school environment.

News report: <http://edition.cnn.com/2012/01/14/health/school-indoor-air-pollution/index.html>

Video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wBxGwLCkN4s&feature=share>

## Please find the attached article '*Aldehydes in the Hospital Environment*'.

## New year brings new opportunities.

We wish all our readers a Happy New Year. With the continued support of our customers, distributors and suppliers we are confident 2012 will be a successful year.

We will continue our policy of continuously improving the performance and features of our instruments in 2012. PPM also sees great benefit in asking customers for feedback and insight to improve every aspect of the company's performance.



**We are optimistic PPM Technology will continue to grow and thrive in 2012.**



We would also like to wish all our readers a Happy Chinese New Year.

China has always been a major market for PPM; with the continued support of our best-selling distributors Science International and their associated company Science Laboratories we are confident this will continue for years to come.

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