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Trade visit to Hong Kong and Macau

PPM's Managing Director – John B Jones recently paid a visit to a number of our distributors in the Far East.

He visited our best selling distributors Science International in Hong Kong where constructive discussions were held regarding future plans including Science's strategy for the Chinese market.



Science have been successful in winning a number of large tenders for Formaldemeter instruments recently, they are confident this trend will continue in upcoming months.

Whilst in Hong Kong he also visited our distributors Hinds International, Hinds have long co-operated with PPM in our range of multiparameter IAQ instruments – the meeting was a chance to discuss new product features especially in respect to the Touch Screen IAQ Monitor.

John also met with S.H.K Real Estate Management Company Ltd, who are interested in monitoring IAQ in a number of properties which they own across the city. Due to the heavily populated, high rise nature of Hong Kong, coupled with high humidity and temperature IAQ is often a concern in residential and public buildings.



John also visited neighbouring Macau, where he met with distributors Ecotech Environmental; Ecotech is a company specialising in 'green technologies'.

John and Ecotech CEO Sonny Liu visited the Health Bureau of Macau to discuss a tender for monitoring IAQ in a hospital, the bid was successful and we will supply a Touch Screen IAQ Monitor to monitor the hospital's Air Quality.



EU: Animal feed preservatives containing formaldehyde will be banned from 1 July 2015.

The European Commission has published its decision in the EU Official Journal on the non-inclusion of formaldehyde (product type 20 – preservatives for food or feedstocks) under Annexes 1, 1A or 1B of the biocidal products Directive. Biocides used as feed preservatives and containing formaldehyde will be banned from 1 July 2015.

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IAQ Instrument exhibited at Ice Rink managers conference.

Our Mini Wireless IAQ Monitor instrument was displayed at the recent MIAMA (Minnesota Ice Arena Managers Association) conference.

Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) is a significant concern in ice rinks and arenas; these facilities are especially vulnerable to the affect of an unhealthy indoor environment as fuel-burning equipment such as ice resurfaces are used indoors. PPM Technology and our partner in the United States, Joel Anderson of Precision Quality Consulting have supplied a number of Mini IAQ Profile Monitor units to various ice rinks/arenas with the aim of providing a safe environment for users and employees of the rinks.

The parameters commonly monitored in ice rinks/arenas are temperature, relative humidity and also carbon monoxide and nitrogen dioxide, both are emitted from the ice-resurfacing vehicle.

MIAMA Website - <http://www.miama.org/main/>

Formaldehyde rules pass through White House

The White House finished the review on Monday of two proposed rules that govern standards for formaldehyde emissions from certain types of wood products, such as plywood and particleboard.

The legislation asks the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to not only create the emission standards – but also craft regulations to create a third-party compliance system.

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Minnesota House of Representatives passes ban on formaldehyde in children's products

The Minnesota House of Representatives has passed legislation (H.F. 458) that would prohibit manufacturers from "intentionally" adding formaldehyde to children's personal care products such as lotions, shampoos and bubble bath for children younger than age 8.

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