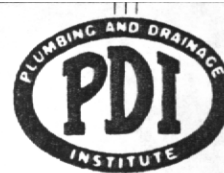


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REF: Your letter of January 10, 1994 -
RE: Family Protection Act (29 USC 671a)

Dear Sir:

The Plumbing and Drainage Institute is a not-for-profit association of manufacturers of plumbing and drainage equipment. The primary function of the Institute is to promulgate standards covering the performance of selected plumbing and drainage hardware. The Institute also certifies the performance of several items on test equipment owned by the Institute. This equipment is located in several certified testing laboratories. The materials used in the construction of these products are determined by each manufacturer submitting their products to be tested. The tests merely determine their efficiency and durability performance to the standard.

Sincerely,

Sol Baker
Executive Secretary

cc: Directors