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**American Association of Automatic Door Manufacturers
Kicks Off New Program to Reflect Revised American
National Standard for Power Operated Pedestrian
Doors.**

The American Association of Automatic Door Manufacturers (AAADM), a trade association of manufacturers of automatic pedestrian door systems, has recently begun a new, updated training program for its approximately 1500 certified inspectors. The training update will enable AAADM certified inspectors to inspect, maintain and repair automatic doors in compliance with a revision to the A156.10 American National Standard for Power Operated Pedestrian Doors. A156.10 is a national consensus standard, approved under the procedures of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) that defines and governs requirements for pedestrian door systems. All ANSI standards are required to be revised, withdrawn or reaffirmed every five years.

"This new ANSI standard pushes automatic door operation to a new dimension," said Donald Moerbe, president of AAADM. "If door owners inspect and maintain their doors on a daily basis and conduct annual inspections by AAADM certified inspectors, the chance of a problem of any kind is greatly reduced."

Properly maintained and adjusted automatic pedestrian door systems provide consumers with safety, security, convenience, and a high degree of reliability. Every year in the United States alone, automatic doors open and close safely some 50 billion times. Although injuries caused by automatic doors do sometimes occur, the injury rate is low compared to the exceptional safety record of these doors and AAADM members continue to work to develop even better technology.

AAADM was founded in 1994 by a group of automatic door manufacturers who wished to promote safety in the manufacture, installation and operation of automatic doors and their components. AAADM offers training and certification for installers and service technicians as well as inspection of installations. The association also provides a strong support network to its members as they strive to improve technology and increase awareness of automatic door safety.

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