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SMARTPLUG GAINS ABYC COMPLIANCE

Continuing to revolutionize shorepower systems, SmartPlug Systems is proud to announce its 30 Amp Retrofit Boatside Plug and Inlet are American Boat and Yacht Council (ABYC) compliant. Both products have been independently tested by IMANNA Laboratory to meet ABYC E-11 standards.

"Becoming ABYC compliant paves the road to meeting Canadian regulations and beginning to distribute SmartPlug products in Canada," said Ken Smith, CEO and founder of SmartPlug Systems. "We forecast sales of the SmartPlug will double as soon as sales in Canada are permitted." Additionally, being ABYC compliant will assist in the introduction and meeting of regulatory requirements for shorepower in Europe and Australia, as well as facilitate the company in becoming an OEM for powerboats and sailboats.

Several rigorous tests were performed in order for the SmartPlug products to meet the standards. One test assured that the SmartPlug Retrofit Boatside Plug and Inlet are weatherproof, whether in use or not. With the plug and inlet engaged and in the locked position, the SmartPlug underwent a constant stream of water from a hose directed at all points of potential entry into the internal mechanisms.

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Additionally, a temperature test was performed to assure that the SmartPlug will work at its rated max amperage in high ambient temperatures. The blade of a boatside plug was tested and shown to be capable of carrying a current continuously, without a temperature rise of more than 54° F. This is equal to the ampacity of the cord, but not greater than the maximum current for which the plug is rated.

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