## **RE: RETRACTION OF PPN POST & ARTICLE**

In Volume 3 of the June 2023 Poly Pipe News Alerts, an article was posted entitled "The 'Canary in the Coal Mine': Aquatherm PP-R Failures Predate 2009". This article has now been formally retracted by PPN. This article was published solely relating to litigation in Australia and was not intended to imply any knowledge by any Aquatherm business entity, person or related agency located in North America regarding copper catalyzed thermal oxidation of polypropylene piping prior to 2010. Further, Dr. Scheirs and ExcelPlas Pty Ltd are not familiar with North American plumbing systems, North American plastic piping requirements, North American plastic piping materials standards, copper tubing requirements, recommendations of the Copper Development Association, North American building codes including the International Plumbing Code (IPC) and the Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC), the Plastics Pipe Institute (PPI) and PPI Technical Reports (PPI-TR) and Technical Notes (PPI-TN). This article was retracted due to statements and inferences that could not be validated or are simply not true, as well as any assumptions, implications, conclusions or statements drawn from same would be potentially substantially inaccurate, misleading or false.