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UL Selected as Authorized Standard Developer for Canada

NORTHBROOK, IL. – February 4, 2013 – UL (Underwriters Laboratories), a world leader in advancing safety science, has recently been accredited by the Standards Council of Canada (SCC) to develop National Standards of Canada - one of only two standards developing organizations based outside of Canada to receive this authority. This credential enables UL to create standards for Canada along with fully harmonized bi-national standards for the U.S.-Canada marketplace. As a result, manufacturers can more efficiently participate in the $500 billion annual merchandise trade between the United States and Canada, which is the world’s largest bilateral trade relationship.

In a news release issued by the Standards Council of Canada (SCC), SCC’s Chief Executive Officer John Walter stated: “With additional SCC-accredited standards development organizations operating in Canada, SCC is able to offer more standardization solutions to better serve the needs of Canadian government, industry and consumers.”

UL Vice President of Standards Bob Williams noted that ULC Standards, a member of the UL family of companies, is also accredited to develop Standards for Canada and has been doing so under SCC accreditation since 1973. “The knowledge, expertise and experience of UL and ULC Standards in the standards development arena are a powerful combination. We’re looking forward to working collaboratively with stakeholders and putting our capabilities to work in creating standards that serve the safety needs of Canada and that provide a pathway for newer and safer products to flow more freely between Canada and the US.”

UL created its first safety Standard in 1903. Today, UL Standards encompass extensive safety research, scientific expertise and uncompromising focus on quality. UL’s portfolio of over 1,000 safety and sustainability standards are an essential component of its mission for a safer, more sustainable world.

For more information about this new accreditation, please visit the UL Standards pages on UL.com.

About UL
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