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## UL and ICONTEC Sign Agreement to Promote National Safety Standards for Colombia

**NORTHBROOK, Ill., July 25, 2016** – Underwriters Laboratories Inc., a global safety science leader and standards developer, and the national standards body of Colombia (ICONTEC) have signed an agreement to promote the use of UL Standards in the ongoing development of national standards in Colombia via formalized consulting, communication and information exchange protocols.

The agreement provides ICONTEC with full access to all UL standards, and encourages the translation, use, and adoption of UL standards within Colombia. In addition, the agreement encourages cooperation and collaboration between UL and ICONTEC on standards development efforts.

“UL is pleased to be working with ICONTEC to continue to advance our global public safety mission by providing UL Standards within Colombia,” said Phil Piqueira, Vice President, UL Standards. “As the national standards body in Colombia, ICONTEC officials reinforce the importance of cooperation on standards development. UL welcomes the opportunity to have a stronger standards presence in this important country.”

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Standards are essential to public safety and confidence and improve the quality of products and services in the marketplace. UL leads the research and science needed to understand complex safety issues and develop standards. Further, we bring the right stakeholders together to effectively develop consensus-based standards. We also play a key role in the development and harmonization of national and international standards. As of today, UL has developed more than 1,500 Standards ranging from Standards for Safety to Standards for Sustainability and utilizes the expertise of more than 400 Standards Technical Panels. Visit <http://ulstandards.ul.com/> for more information.

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