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## **CERTIFICATION BULLETIN 2006 - 17**

To: Members of the Advisory Council of the Underwriters' Laboratories of Canada  
Others Interested

Subject: First Draft, Proposed Second Edition, ULC/ORD-C312-2006,  
Check Valves for Fire-Protection Service

Dear Members:

This is the Second Edition of the Check Valves for Fire-Protection Service, ULC/ORD-C312-2006.

This Other Recognized Document (ORD) will replace ULC/ORD-C312-1995, Check Valves for Fire-Protection Service.

ULC/ORD-C312-1995 is outdated and obsolete in some areas of the requirements and test methods as they relate to the product and the development of the product over time. As such, ULC/ORD-C312 needs to be updated to reflect product developments, technological changes, and test methodology requirements. ULC/ORD-C312 was initially based on UL 312, the Standard for Check Valves for Fire-Protection Service. While UL 312 has been revised and updated to reflect the latest requirements and technological advances, the requirements between the base UL 312 standard and the ULC ORD have diverged.

As ULC/ORD-C312 is in need of updating, the requirements contained in UL 312 have been used for the evaluation of check valves for Canadian Certification. Using UL 312 as a basis for the ORD requirements has multiple benefits:

- For the industry manufacturer members, this approach will provide a more singular platform for product development to meet the requirements of both markets, Canada and the US.
- For the regulatory authorities, this approach is not expected to have any measurable impact, other than a sense of comfort in knowing that the requirements are already proven effective.

A copy of the First Draft, proposed Second Edition, is enclosed for your review together with a Letter Ballot.

We would appreciate your completion and prompt return of the attached Ballot **by November 26, 2006**. Please return your completed Ballot to Rae Dulmage at [Graham.R.Dulmage@ca.ul.com](mailto:Graham.R.Dulmage@ca.ul.com).

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to your response.

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