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NEW PROJECT ON BUILDING/FACILITY COMMISSIONING

CALL FOR MEMBERS

ULC is pleased to announce a new project for the development of a new National Standard of Canada to be identified as CAN/ULC-S575, Building/Facility Commissioning. This project has been approved for development under the purview of the ULC Committee on Fire Alarm and Life Safety Equipment and Systems.

Although Canadian Building and Fire Codes have requirements to commission individual fire protection and life safety components to ensure proper operation, there are no specific requirements for integrated systems to be tested as a whole. Therefore, the intent of CAN/ULC-S575, Building/Facility Commissioning, is to develop performance based commissioning parameters for integrated fire protection systems, including, but not limited to, fire alarm systems connected to sprinkler systems, smoke control systems, ventilation systems, pressurization systems, door hold-open devices, electromagnetic locks, elevator recalls, fire shutters, etc.

It is the ultimate intention of the ULC Committee on Fire Alarm and Life Safety Equipment and Systems to work with the NRC Standing Committee on Use and Egress, and the NRC Standing Committee on Housing & Small Buildings, to have CAN/ULC-S575, Building/Facility Commissioning, introduced into the National Building Code and the National Fire Code to address the commissioning needs of a building's life safety system as a whole.

In order to proceed with this project, we are calling for volunteer members with experience in various facets of the industry relating to building/facility commissioning. Potential members are expected to be able to actively participate and attend meetings. Every effort will be made to conduct 'virtual' meetings.

Should you wish to be considered as a potential member, please submit your name and contact information together with your resume to mahendra.prasad@ca.ul.com.

Please forward this Bulletin to anyone who may be interested in participating.

For additional information, contact Mahendra (Mike) Prasad at mahendra.prasad@ca.ul.com or the ULC-S575 Project Leader, Fred Leber (Leber/Rubes Inc.) at fleber@leber-rubes.com.

Yours truly,

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