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ELECTRICAL CERTIFICATION NOTICE NO. 232D
FUEL BURNING EQUIPMENT CERTIFICATION NOTICE No. 43B
OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY PRODUCT CERTIFICATION
NOTICE NO. 7B
PLUMBING PRODUCTS CERTIFICATION NOTICE NO. 34B
PLASTIC PIPE CERTIFICATION NOTICE NO. 34B
(Supersedes Subject Notice Dated May 22, 1980)

To: Manufacturers of CSA Certified Products; Packagers of CSA Certified Products; Members of the CSA Advisory Council on Electrical Safety; Members of the CSA Advisory Council on Fire Safety; and Members of the CSA Advisory Council on Occupational Health and Safety

Subject: CSA Certification Program for Packagers of Certified Products

The Canadian Standards Association is pleased to announce that it is extending the Certification Program for Packagers of Certified Products to include products which have been certified for use as component parts of other equipment (i.e. power supply cords, special use cord sets, etc.).

The conditions for allowing packagers to apply the CSA mark to individualized packages of products for sale to other equipment manufacturers (OEM) are the same as for products intended for general sale - these are outlined in the attached "Information Sheet".

Direction

Packagers wishing to participate in this program may make an application by contacting CSA's Application Section, Customer Services Group, Rexdale, (416) 747-4300 or any CSA Regional Office.

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Enquiries

Complete details about this program are contained in the attached "Information Sheet on Certification Program for Packagers of Certified Products.

Anyone wishing further information regarding this Notice is invited to contact CSA's Customer Services Group, Rexdale, (416) 747-4007 or any Regional Office.

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INFORMATION SHEET ON
CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FOR PACKAGERS
OF CERTIFIED PRODUCTS

Background

This program was initiated to provide a means whereby "packaging houses" could obtain authorization to apply the CSA mark to packaging containing CSA certified products supplied to them by other companies.

Packaging with markings that signify the contents as being certified are now in greater demand by regulating authorities (who must ensure that products offered for sale are certified), consumers and retailers, because sealed packaging systems are increasingly being used in marketing products at retail outlets.

Scope

This program is intended for any person, company or other entity engaged in the acquisition of CSA certified products for the purpose of packaging them in individual containers. This would include any "listed" manufacturer who, in his facility or plant, packages certified products of other manufacturers.

Authorization will not be required by manufacturers who package CSA certified products that they themselves manufacture. The use of the CSA mark on their packagings is authorized under the terms of the CSA Certification Service Agreement.

This program is applicable to any type of CSA certified product except:

- any wire and cable products, because CSA presently has a certification service covering "re-spooled" CSA certified insulated wire or cord;

- child resistant packaging, because packaging requirements for the vial and cap combination are detailed in CSA's Child Resistant Packaging Program; or

- products in kit form whose parts are not already in a separate sealed container bearing a CSA "Kit" label to prevent the interchangeability of parts or components.

This program is concerned solely with the markings appearing on the package insofar as they relate to the requirements for the CSA certified contents and to the CSA Certification Mark. It does not apply to quality or durability of the packaging nor to the materials used in the manufacture of the packaging.

Authorized Packagers's Requirements

Authorization to use the CSA mark on packages will be contingent upon compliance with the following:

- When ordering devices intended for packaging, packagers must specify, in their purchase order, a statement stipulating that products will be CSA certified and bear the required CSA certification markings.

- A record of product purchases intended for packaging in packages bearing the CSA mark must be maintained for each model, rating, etc.

- The packager must ensure that the package bearing the CSA mark contains only products that are CSA certified and bear the CSA mark.

- The CSA file number of the packager (e.g., "AP 12345") must appear adjacent to the CSA mark on the package.

- Each package must bear statements, instructions, or other pertinent information that may be required to comply with the certification requirements to ensure proper and safe use of the products involved.

- Each package will also bear a code or marking that denotes the date on which packaging of the product took place; this date marking will be optional where the packager agrees, in writing, that all like products covered by packaging certification shall be subject to recall, if and when a recall is deemed necessary.

The catalogue or model number under which a product is certified must be included on (or in) the package when there is no such identification on the product itself, but only where certification requirements permit such a marking practice. Where a packager wishes to identify a packaged product with a catalogue or model number other than that assigned to the product in the Certification Report, the packager's report will incorporate a detailed "cross listing" for the numbers involved. The packager must notify CSA immediately of any and all changes which affect the "cross listing" so that CSA records can be updated accordingly.

Where a packager intends to identify the packaged product with the catalogue or model number assigned to the product in the Certification Records, that packager will be given a "generic" form of listing by product category.

Listing Charges

Charges for evaluation, preparing reports, a pre-certification inspection and other functions in processing an application for certification, are billed on a time/cost basis. Travel and living expenses, if any, are extra. Each application must be accompanied by a deposit in the amount of $200.00 for the first generic category plus an additional $50.00 for each subsequent category.

First-time applicants will be required to undergo a pre-certification inspection and the deposit will be adjusted accordingly to cover expected travel and living expenses.

Surveillance

Upon issuance of certification, and the signing of the CSA Certification Service Agreement by CSA and the Packager a surveillance program involving periodic in-plant inspections will be initiated. There will be, normally, a minimum of two inspections per year in each packaging facility for the purpose of ensuring that the packager is complying continuously with the requirements of this program and that there is no improper use of the CSA mark.

Charges for in-plant inspection visits and other related functions for servicing a Certification Agreement will be assessed as a yearly fee based on the number of inspections and other functions of surveillance that may be necessary (e.g. updates of cross listings, etc.).

Publication

Authorized packagers of CSA certified products intended for general sale will be classified under the following product classification:

> AUTHORIZED PACKAGERS OF CSA CERTIFIED PRODUCTS (Class 9085 01, Re-examination Service)

Authorized packagers of CSA certified products intended expressly for sale to other equipment manufacturers will be classified under the following product classification:

> AUTHORIZED PACKAGERS OF CSA CERTIFIED PRODUCTS - For Other Equipment Manufacturers (Class 9085 02, Re-examination Service)

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