

2020

Award of Merit Recipient

Doug Drysdale



In recognition of outstanding dedication, exceptional technical knowledge, and strong advocacy of wire and cable standards

Doug Drysdale has been an outstanding contributor and leader on numerous CSA Group wire and cable committees for almost 20 years, including skillfully guiding the harmonization of many CSA standards across North America. His dedication, leadership and attention to continuous improvement has enhanced the quality of CSA standards in his field.

Doug is known to give his time freely, including the mentorship of new committee members. As a Chair, Doug not only provides all members with an opportunity to voice their opinions, but is also effective at analyzing the issue and bringing the committee to consensus.

He is highly regarded by his fellow committee members and is seen as an ambassador for CSA, exhibiting both patience and approachability. He consistently volunteers for complex or difficult assignments, and is often the voice of reason leading the way to a tactful resolution.

One of Doug's nominators put it best when they wrote, "For those of us who have been lucky enough to participate in committee meetings where Mr. Drysdale is present, it is obvious that he firmly stands behind what he believes in and that this clearly translates not only into heightened respect and admiration for him but also for Canada and CSA."

Doug works in Design/Application Engineering for Nexans Canada Inc. He started his Nexans career with Canada Wire at the Orangeville, Ontario facility in July of 1977. Doug started in production in drawing, bare wire Foreman, then inspection and test, bare wire process technician in Fergus, then design with machine human interface programming and later transitioned into engineering and cable design. Doug joined the Central Engineering group in 2010 working in design and representing Nexans on several standard development organizations.