



Professional Electrical Apparatus Recyclers League (PEARL)

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Canadian Standards Association (CSA) to Include PEARL Reconditioning Standards in New Electrical Maintenance Guidelines

The CSA Z463 Guideline will help industrial and commercial organizations develop an effective electrical maintenance program or improve upon an existing one

AURORA, CO, April 17, 2013 – [The Professional Electrical Apparatus Recyclers League](http://www.pearl1.org) (PEARL) is pleased to announce that the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) – the standards writing body for Canada – will reference PEARL's Reconditioning standards in its CSA Z463 Guideline on Maintenance of Electrical Systems.

Due to be released later this year, Canada's new national electrical maintenance guideline will provide a concise set of documents that helps electrical system managers protect workers and property, as well as extend the life of their electrical equipment. CSA officials say PEARL's Reconditioning standards will be an important reference for the final electrical maintenance guidelines. PEARL's Reconditioning standards include technical guidance on the inspection, cleaning, reconditioning, testing, and documentation of industrial and commercial electrical equipment.

"With the addition of advice on equipment reconditioning and use of refurbished electrical equipment to CSA Z463, the PEARL Reconditioning Standards were accepted as the best available standards in this specialized subject area," says Dave Shanahan, CSA Z463 project manager. "For this reason, the CSA Technical Committee agreed to reference these standards as recommended practice in the new guideline."

"CSA's consideration of PEARL's Reconditioning Standards underscores the importance of electrical maintenance," says PEARL president Malcom Frederick. "We are pleased to serve as a resource in the creation of this very important guideline."

The CSA Z463 electrical maintenance guideline follows the development of two other standards – CSA Z462 Workplace Electrical Safety (the Canadian equivalent of NFPA 70E) and CSA Z460 Control of Hazardous Energy and Other Methods (used for energy isolation and lockout).

About PEARL

Founded in 1997, the Professional Electrical Apparatus Recyclers League (**PEARL**) creates, collects, and disseminates information, policies, procedures, and standards to ensure the proper recycling and reuse of electrical power equipment. Its 70+ corporate members must meet strict technical, safety, and operational requirements. For more information, visit www.pearl1.org.

About CSA Group

CSA Group is a not-for-profit membership-based association serving business, industry, government and

consumers in Canada and the global marketplace. As a solutions-oriented organization, CSA Group works in Canada and around the world to develop standards that address real needs, such as enhancing public safety and health. Advancing the quality of life. Helping to preserve the environment. Facilitating trade.

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