ULC Standards is pleased to announce the publication of the Second Edition CAN/ULC-S561-13, Standard for Installation and Services for Fire Signal Receiving Centres and Systems, published under the date of March, 2013. This National Standard of Canada was processed and approved by the ULC Committee on Fire Alarm and Life Safety Equipment and Systems.

The First Edition of CAN/ULC-S561 was based on ULC/ORD-C693-1994, Requirements of Central Station Fire Protective Signalling Systems and Services. This Second Edition of the Standard has been extensively revised, incorporating published Amendment 1 (2006) and Amendment 2 (2008) of the First Edition. This Edition was also developed to, as much as practicable, harmonize with requirements contained in CAN/ULC-S301, Standard for Central and Monitoring Station Burglar Alarm Systems; CAN/ULC-S304, Standard for Central and Monitoring Station Burglar Alarm Control Units; and CAN/ULC-S559, Standard for Equipment for Fire Signal Receiving Centres and Systems; and to reflect requirements in other fire alarm system standards. CAN/ULC-S561 is currently referenced in the National Building Code and the National Fire Code of Canada.

This Standard covers the construction, operation, installation, inspection and tests applicable to fire signal receiving centres for fire protective signalling services utilizing fire signal receiving centre facilities and satellite centres and bridging centres; construction and operation of a proprietary fire signal receiving centre; and the installation, inspection and tests applicable to fire signal transmitting unit and its field device inputs at the protected premises.

CAN/ULC-S561-13 is available for purchase at $250.00 for soft copy or $300.00 for hard copy, from the ULC website (www.ulc.ca) ULC online store.

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