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### STANDARD FOR THERMAL INSULATION TERMINOLOGY

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ULC Standards is pleased to announce the publication of the Third Edition of CAN/ULC-S773, Standard for Thermal Insulation Terminology. This ULC Standard was approved by the ULC Standards Committee on Thermal Insulation Materials and Systems, and is published under the date of August 2015.

The main intent of this document is to provide accurate and consistent terms used in the Canadian Thermal Insulation industry. More specifically, the application of the information contained in this Standard is for reference use with the Thermal Insulation Standards produced by the ULC Committee on Thermal Insulation Materials and Systems.

Alternative descriptions, sometimes used interchangeably for some items (e.g. organic foams, cellular plastics, expanded polymers, plastic foams or settled thickness, design thickness, declared thickness etc.) have been reduced, where possible, to a single term, one which was considered most suitable. The streamlined system will avoid confusion and misunderstanding which sometimes arises with multi-terms.

The definitions contained herein are specific to thermal insulation and may not be appropriate in other unrelated fields. The user is, therefore, cautioned of the limitations of this Standard.

The attached list provides some more common terms, symbols and abbreviations used in the field of thermal insulation. The definitions were kept brief, using only the key characteristics to describe the particular item.

CAN/ULC-S773 is not currently referenced in the National Building Code of Canada.

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