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## **CERTIFICATION BULLETIN 2018 -12**

## Removal of Original ULC and cUL Certification Marks on Refurbished Tanks in accordance with CAN/ULC-S676-15, Standard for Refurbishing of Storage Tanks for Flammable and Combustible Liquids

 To: Subscribers to UL's and ULC's Certification Services under EEEV7 (S601, S653) - Aboveground Flammable-liquid Tanks Certified for Canada EFGR7 (S602) - Oil-burner-fuel Tanks Certified for Canada EGHX7 (S603, S603.1) - Underground Tanks Certified for Canada EELU7 (S655) - Protected Aboveground Tanks for Flammable and Combustible Liquids Certified for Canada EFVT7 (S601, S652) Special-purpose Tanks Certified for Canada Members of the ULC Advisory Committee and Other Interested Parties

ULC has received a number of requests from industry and others regarding obtaining certification to refurbish ULC or cUL labelled storage tanks in accordance with CAN/ULC-S676-15 Standard. At this time, neither UL nor ULC have a Certification program to evaluate and label refurbished storage tanks in accordance with CAN/ULC-S676-15 Standard. Storage tanks that have been refurbished in accordance with CAN/ULC-S676-15 Standard are subject to approval by the applicable Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ).

Since the refurbishing of an aboveground or underground storage tank likely affects continued compliance of a ULC or cUL labelled tank to the applicable certification requirements, a proposal has been submitted through the ULC Standards development process to require that a refurbishing company shall remove and destroy the label bearing the original Certification Mark on the tank under Subsection 4.4, "Refurbishing Company's Responsibilities", prior to any work done under Parts II and III of CAN/ULC-S676-15 Standard. Regardless of the outcome of the submitted proposal through the Standards development process, or the time until publication and implementation of a revision to CAN/ULC-S676-15 Standard, UL/ULC's expectation is that any aboveground or underground storage tank being refurbished have the label bearing the ULC or cUL mark removed by the refurbisher or facilitate removal of the Certification Mark through other means. If a ULC or UL Subscriber suspects unauthorized refurbishing of their tank(s), it is recommended that the applicable AHJ and UL/ULC be contacted.

UL/ULC believes that modifications permitted under Subsections 4.3 and 4.5 of CAN/ULC-S676-15 Standard without an established Certification program could lead to increased risks of potential leakage, reduced strength, structural failure, and additional liabilities to the original tank manufacturer. In addition, without appropriate oversight and recertification, the overall safety of an aboveground or underground storage tank may be compromised. The non-removal of the ULC or cUL mark on a refurbished tank misleads tank owners and AHJs that the storage tank continues to meet the requirements of the Standard that the storage tank was originally evaluated to.



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Sincerely,

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