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BACL as an **OSHA** NRTL

The Federal Register Notice announcing OSHA's final decision to recognize BACL as an NRTL was published on April 6th, 2017. BACL is now recognized by OSHA to perform certifications for Information Technology Equipment.

BACL is formally recognized as an NRTL site with additional BACL-affiliated laboratories around the world who are qualified to test products for United States certification under the umbrella of our main NRTL site at BACL Sunnyvale, CA.

BACL uses its own unique registered certification mark to designate product conformance to the applicable product safety test standards. After certifying a product, BACL authorizes the manufacturer to apply its registered certification mark to the product.



BACL's certification mark signifies that the product complies with the requirements of product safety test standards.

About NRTL: OSHA's Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) Program recognizes private sector organizations to perform certification for certain products to ensure that they meet the requirements of both the construction and general industry OSHA electrical standards.

Canadian Standards Testing and Certification

If you are selling your product in Canada, you must comply with the applicable nationally-accepted Canadian standards. BACL can evaluate and test your product, help you through the certification process, and enable you to certify your product in compliance with Canadian standards.

The Standards Council of Canada (SCC) regulates all electrical products in Canada by stipulating that these products be suitably third-party safety-approved by an SCC-accredited laboratory. A manufacturer has the option to use the accredited lab of its choice for the testing and certification of their products.

Additionally, they can expect that customers/retailers will accept products that have been certified by an SCC-accredited lab.

BACL would perform all certification testing in compliance with the Canadian standards and perform the initial and follow- up factory inspections as well.

Canadian Certification Process for Listing or Certification Evaluation

While the product itself will be evaluated and tested for conformance with the appropriate standards, the manufacturer must also be able to demonstrate a Quality Control system to assure that all future products will continue to conform. This process includes: an Initial Customer Application/Quality System Review, an initial factory

inspection, and ongoing quarterly inspections.

Steps to Product Certification

Product Testing and Evaluation

A sample of your product and its supporting documentation will be evaluated and tested to the applicable safety standard(s).

Initial Factory Inspection

Immediately prior to the issuance of your first certification, an initial factory inspection will be performed.

Follow-Up Factory Inspections

Quarterly inspections, or follow-up visits, will be performed at each manufacturing site. During these visits, the inspector will review (among other things): production line tests, quality procedures and documentation, product revisions, required markings, etc.

BACL can provide testing in compliance with the applicable standards for the following type(s) of products and equipment:

-Information Technology Equipment (ITE)

If you have any questions, please contact us. We would be more than happy to discuss the Canadian testing and certification process in more detail with you in order to meet your specific needs and requirements.