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Ms. Josette Gallant
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(Submitted by email)

Re: REC-LAB, Issue 7 – Procedure for the Recognition of Testing Laboratories to Canadian requirements; and Testing laboratory technical assessment checklist;
DES-LAB, Issue 8, – Procedure for the Designation of Canadian Testing Laboratories; and
REC-CB, Issue 1, – Recognition Procedure and Requirements for Certification Bodies

Dear Ms. Gallant,

In November 2020, the Department requested the RABC review the above noted documents. The Department also requested the documents be posted to the RABC website in order to facilitate the receipt of comments from WTO members.

The Board assigned the review of the documents to the RABC Electromagnetic Compatibility Committee. The Committee held one call to review the documents. There were roughly ten stakeholders represented on the call, including guest participation from LabTest Certification. No significant concerns regarding the documents were raised by RABC members during the RABC review.

The Board also received six comments concerning REC-LAB via the WTO Portal on its website. These comments were forwarded to the Department for consideration.

The Board has completed its review of REC-LAB, DES-LAB and REC-CB and recommend that the Department publish the documents. We appreciate having had the opportunity to review the updated standard.

Sincerely,



J. David Farnes
General Manager