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To: Subscribers to UL's Listing Service for:  
Power Limited Circuit cable (QPTZ)  
Communications Cable (DUZX)  
Power-Limited Fire Alarm Cable (HNIR)  
Non-power Limited Fire Alarm Cable (HNHT)

Subject: Circuit Integrity (-CI) Cables

On September 12, 2012, UL announced important changes to the certification requirements for the above referenced categories. As announced, UL will not offer certification to the previous program for circuit integrity cable testing in accordance with UL 2196 Tests for Fire Resistive Cables. In conjunction with the public announcement, all affected UL follow up service procedures have been revised to remove the option to mark cable with a -CI suffix.

The announcement also stated that the relevant technical committees (UL 2196 STP and ULC Committee on Fire Tests) will work to determine appropriate next steps. Finally the announcement indicated that UL would be willing to work with customers on interim alternatives prior to the technical committee completing their work.

This bulletin announces the availability of an interim certification program for circuit integrity cable (-CI). Effective as of the date of this bulletin, UL is making available an interim program, whereby subscribers who wish to certify circuit integrity cables (-CI) can do so in accordance with UL 2196, Tests for Fire Resistive Cables. Attached to this bulletin are the guidelines that will be followed during the investigation of circuit integrity cables for compliance with UL2196.

Please note that this is an interim program. Should the work of the technical committees further revise the certification requirements, products certified in accordance with the interim program may need to be reevaluated in the future in accordance with any new or revised requirements to UL 2196.

Those interested in submitting cables for an evaluation in accordance with the interim requirements for CI cables, or have any questions concerning the guidelines for submitting the CI cables for testing, should feel free to contact the undersigned.

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