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CSA International Opens Its First Certification and Testing Laboratory in China

On November 11, 2008, CSA International officially opened its first China laboratory in the city of Guangzhou. The new, state-of-the-art facility will enable customers to test and certify their products locally and obtain the relevant CSA International certification marks for exporting their products into the North American market and worldwide. As a global leader in testing and certification, CSA International certification marks appear on billions of qualified products worldwide.

“The new laboratory solidifies our commitment to a long-term relationship with the People’s Republic of China and serving the needs of the most valued and honourable customers in the region,” said Robert M. Griffin, President and CEO, CSA Group. “We are now able to provide our distinguished clients with superior local testing and certification services that will help fast-track their exports to the North American market and around the world.”

“This impressive laboratory signifies 11 years of close partnership and deep friendship with CCIC and is the first CSA International laboratory in the People’s



From left: Li Tingjia, Vice General Manager, CCIC-CSA International Certification Company Ltd.; Fred Mark, General Manager, CCIC-CSA International Certification Company Ltd.; Suzanne Kiraly, President, Standards, CSA and a member of the CCIC-CSA International Certification Company Board; Randall W. Luecke, President, CSA International and OnSpeX, Chairman of the Board, CCIC-CSA International Certification Co. Ltd.; Deng Xugi, Vice Director General, Guangdong CIQ (China Exit-Entry Inspection & Quarantine Bureau); Robert M. Griffin, President and CEO, CSA Group; Liu Shengming, Board Chairman, CCIC; Wu Bobo, General Manager, Guangdong, CCIC; Song Shengdong, Deputy General Manager, CCIC; and John Maheu, Vice President, International Services, CSA International and member of the CCIC-CSA International Certification Company Board.

Republic of China,” said Randall W. Luecke, President of CSA International and OnSpeX and Chairman of the Board of CCIC-CSA International Certification Co. Ltd. “The lab will position CSA International and CCIC to be the certification partner of choice for clients by providing timely, high-quality, and cost-effective services for a variety of products destined for the global marketplace.”

Joining Griffin and Luecke at the grand opening ceremonies of the lab were Li Tingjia, Vice General Manager, CCIC-CSA International Certification Company Ltd.; Deng Xugi, Vice Director General, Guangdong CIQ (China Exit-Entry Inspection & Quarantine Bureau); Liu Shengming, Board Chairman, CCIC; Wu Bobo, General Manager, Guangdong, CCIC; Song Shengdong, Deputy General Manager, Suzanne Kiraly, President, Standards, CSA and a member of the CCIC-CSA International Certification Company Board; John Maheu, Vice President, International Services, CSA International and member of the CCIC-CSA International Certification Company Board; and CCIC; Fred Mark, General Manager, CCIC-CSA International Certification Company Ltd. They were joined by Sue Dempsey, Vice President, OnSpeX, and

Frank Chen, Director, China Operations, OnSpeX. Also present were Paul Keane, Vice President, Human Resources, CSA Group and Michelle D’Souza, Manager, Planning and Finance, CSA International.

More than 150 guests attended the opening ceremony at the 3,000 sq. m lab.



From left: Liu Shengming, Board Chairman of China Certification and Inspection Group (CCIC), and Robert M. Griffin, President and CEO of CSA Group, paint dots on the eyes of the ceremonial lions. Custom in China says that dotting the lions’ eyes will wake the lions for the lion dance, a traditional Chinese celebration for lions to usher in good luck and prosperity.



Robert M. Griffin, President and CEO of CSA Group, left, and Liu Shengming, Board Chairman of China Certification and Inspection Group (CCIC), after the unfurling of a banner wishing CSA International’s Guangzhou lab great success and good luck.

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The CSA International Guangzhou Laboratory

Since first entering China market in early 1997, CSA International has placed high importance on the expansion and development of services and facilities to provide Chinese manufacturers with local testing and certification of products destined for the North American market and globally.

CSA International has been working closely with China Certification and Inspection Group (CCIC) since entering the China market. The Guangzhou lab is established in partnership with CCIC through a joint venture known as the CCIC-CSA International Certification Company Limited. The lab reinforces the cooperation between the two organizations and strengthens CSA International's commitment to the China market.

Located in the Guangzhou High-tech Development Zone, the lab provides qualified testing and certification services for China's manufacturers locally, enabling companies to save cost, reduce time-to-market and improve the product quality. The state-of-the-art lab can test a wide range of products to various standards across a wide range of industries.

CSA International's Guangzhou laboratory is equipped with several hundred types of advanced equipment that provide significant and unique functions including:

- A gas supply system which can mix the gas to meet North American gas heating value properties and analyze the gas to ensure that it is the same as North America before using it for testing.
- A water supply system which can control the cold and hot water, the flow rate and water pressure to meet Canadian or US standards when testing
- Testing of electrical products to Canadian, US and IEC standards

The CSA International Guangzhou Lab offers testing and certification services for gas, plumbing and electrical products, including:

Gas Products:

- BBQs, Table Top Grills and Smokers, Turkey Fryers
- Camp Heaters, Construction Heaters, Patio Heaters, Portable Infrared Heaters
- Camp Stoves and Outdoor Gas Fireplaces
- Camp Lights
- Commercial Broilers
- Instantaneous Water Heater
- Illuminating Appliances (gas lights)
- Portable Heater for Recreational Use

Plumbing Products:

- Anti-siphon Fill Valves, Flexible Connectors, Flush Valves, Supply Line Stops
- Ceramic, Plastic Plumbing Fixtures, Porcelain-Enameled Steel and Stainless Steel
- Plumbing Supply Fittings
- Plumbing Waste Fittings

Electrical Products:

- Fans and Ventilators
- Heating Appliances
- Household Cooking
- IT and AV
- Luminaries and Christmas/Decorative Lighting
- Motor Operated Appliances
- Tools
- Wiring Devices

Safety Footwear

The laboratory has a team of experienced engineers, testing experts and technicians that keep themselves constantly updated with relevant North American and international standards. They are experts in product testing and certification; providing high-quality and timely services to customers for the North American and global markets. CSA International's staff is assigned to each customer to work closely together in the testing and certification process.

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Grand Opening of the newest PV Solar Panel Labs Scheduled for Early 2009

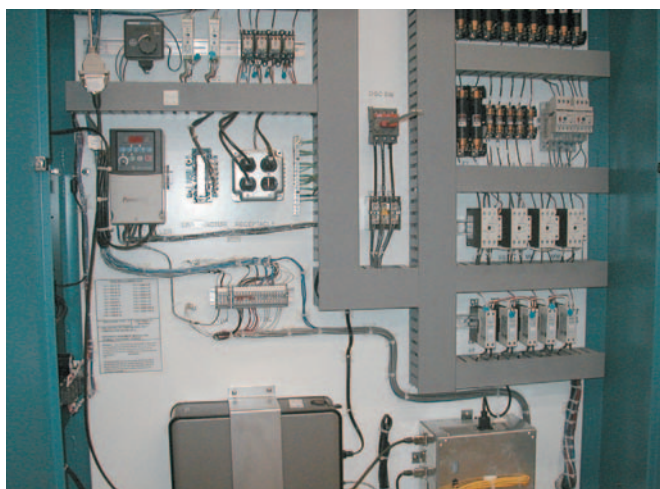
The installation of the newest and the latest photovoltaic (PV) solar panel testing laboratory at CSA International's Vancouver, BC, facility is nearing completion and is scheduled to open in early 2009. The lab will enable CSA International to help clients determine if their alternative energy technologies meet safety and performance standards globally.

A state-of-the-art photovoltaic/environmental testing laboratory, the Vancouver PV lab is where technical experts will test and certify solar energy equipment, distribution, control and other equipment such as: photovoltaic panels, control panels, inverters and tracking device equipment.

For more information, please visit www.getsolarcertified.com.



Photovoltaic solar panels, like these shown on the roof of CSA International headquarters in Toronto, will be tested at the CSA International Vancouver lab beginning early in 2009.



The photovoltaic testing facility at CSA International's Vancouver lab is nearing completion. When opened, the lab will enable CSA International to help clients determine if their alternative energy technologies meet safety and performance standards globally.



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