

ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (continued)

ISO: International Organization for Standardization: the international agency for standards making. Its members are the standards organizations of 90 countries. The standards produced are the work of the Technical Committees (TCs) to which a total of over 20,000 members are nominated by ISO members.

QA,QAP: Quality Assurance, Quality Assurance Program.

QMI: Quality Management Institute: is a not-for-profit division of the Canadian Standards Association with a mandate to improve Canadian business performance and productivity through the application of quality management principles. QMI provides independent, third-party auditing authority for Quality Assurance Program registration and auditor accreditation.

Q1: An American Quality Assurance standard.

SCC: Standards Council of Canada:created by an Act of Parliament in 1970, this Crown corporation was created to assist government by helping industry obtain the best possible advantage in the use of domestic and international standards, serve as the government's focal point for voluntary standardization, represent Canada at international voluntary standardization activities (such as the ISO) and set out procedures for the development of National Standards of Canada, and for accreditation of certification and testing organizations.

Z299: The Canadian Standards Associations Quality Assurance series.