
About the Report

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Abbreviations Used in the Text

AECMA	Association Européenne des Constructeurs de Matériel Aérospatial
AFNOR	Association Française de Normalisation
BPIB	Bureau de promotion des industries du bois
BSI	British Standards Institution
CCA	CENELEC Certification Agreement (for electrical low-voltage goods)
CECC	CENELEC Electronic Components Committee
CEN	European Committee for Standardization
CENCER	Certification Association of CEN
CENELEC	European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization
CEPT	European Conference of Posts and Telecommunications
CGSB	Canadian General Standards Board
CNC/IEC	Canadian National Committee of the International Electrical Commission
CNC/ISO	Canadian National Committee of the International Organization for Standardization
CSA	Canadian Standards Association
COFI	Council of Forest Industries of British Columbia
