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This Standard was prepared by the Z21/CSA Joint Technical Subcommittee on Standards for Manually Operated Gas Valves, under the jurisdiction of the Technical Committee on Performance and Installation of Gas Burning Appliances and Related Accessories and the Strategic Steering Committee on Standards for Gas Appliances and Related Accessories, and had been formally approved by the Z21/83 and CSA Technical Committees, American National Standards Institute, and the Interprovincial Gas Advisory Council.

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With the onset of the Free Trade Agreement between the United States and Canada on January 2, 1988, significant attention was given to the harmonization of the United States and Canadian safety standards addressing gas-fired equipment for residential, commercial, and industrial applications. It was believed that the elimination of the differences between the standards would remove potential trade barriers and provide an atmosphere in which North American manufacturers could market more freely in the United States and Canada. The harmonization of these standards was also seen as a step toward harmonization with international standards. Joint subcommittees were established to facilitate the standards harmonization process between the United States and Canada.

The draft harmonized standard for Gas Convenience Outlets and Optional Enclosures, Z21.90 • CSA 6.24 was first adopted for public review and comment by the Z21/(Interim CSA) Joint Manual Valve Subcommittee at its Meeting of March 10-11, 1998 and issued for public review on July 27, 1998.

Following reconsideration and modification of the proposed draft standard, in light of comments received, by the joint subcommittee at its March 16, 1999 meeting, substantive revisions were re-issued for public review on April 5, 2000; comments and criticisms were considered by the subcommittee at its meeting of June 15, 2000. The subcommittee recommended the proposed draft standard to the Accredited Standards Committee Z21/83 and the (Interim CSA) Standards Steering Committee on June 16, 2000.

The proposed draft of the harmonized standard for gas convenience outlets and optional enclosures, as modified by the joint subcommittee, was approved by the Z21/83 Committee by letter ballot on January 22, 2001, and by the CSA Technical Committee on Gas Appliances and Related Accessories by letter ballot dated December 19, 2000.

The first edition of the American National Standard/CSA Standard for Gas Convenience Outlets and Optional Enclosures was approved by the Canadian Interprovincial Gas Advisory Council on June 25, 2001, and by the American National Standards Institute, Inc., on August 31, 2001.

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1 Scope

1.1

This Standard applies to gas convenience outlets (see Clause 3, Definitions), hereinafter referred to as gas outlets and optional enclosures, not to exceed 1-1/2 in (38.1 mm) and pressures not to exceed 5 psi (34.5 kPa), capable of operation at temperatures between 32°F and 200°F (0°C and 93.3°C) if intended for indoor use only, or between -20°F and 200°F (-28.8°C and 93.3°C) if intended for indoor/outdoor use. Indoor/outdoor use is also to be capable of operation at -40°F (-40°C) when so specified by the manufacturer.

1.2

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1.3

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1.4

All references to pressure throughout this Standard are to be considered gauge pressure, unless otherwise specified.

1.5

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1.6

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1.7

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(CSA) Canadian Standards Association

CSA B149.1-10

Propane and Natural Gas Installation Code

(AGA) American Gas Association

NFPA 54/ANSI Z223.1-2012

National Fuel Gas Code

(ASME) American Society of Mechanical Engineers

ANSI/ASME B1.20.1-1983 (R2006)

Pipe threads, General Purpose (Inch)

(NFPA) National Fire Protection Association

NFPA 54/ANSI Z223.1-2012

National Fuel Gas Code

(SAE) Society of Automotive Engineers

ANSI/SAE J512-1997

Automotive Tube Fittings

3 Definitions

The following definitions shall apply in this Standard.

Appliance side connection — the male half of the connection device that is inserted into the gas convenience outlet allowing the check valve to open.

Concealed space — that space in a finished building that would require removal of permanent construction to gain access to the piping.