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Preface

This is the second edition of CSA C22.2 No. 274, *Adjustable speed drives*, one of a series of Standards issued by CSA Group under Part II of the *Canadian Electrical Code*. It supersedes the previous edition published in 2013.

This edition includes
a) updates to the Scope to deal with integrated motor/drive combinations;
b) clarification on using the spacing requirements of IEC 61800-5-1;
c) clarification on the use of MOVs;
d) clarifications regarding the 30 A fuse in ground circuits;
e) expansion of the contactor overload requirements;
f) information on testing when surge arresters are present;
g) additional requirements for mechanical interlocks;
h) an annex on dielectric testing; and
i) numerous other minor edits and clarifications throughout.

This Standard follows traditional North American practices for evaluating adjustable speed drives, the international requirements described in IEC 61800-5-1 were reviewed in detail and accommodated within this Standard whenever possible. It is anticipated that the next round of activity for adjustable speed drives will be an adoption of IEC 61800-5-1 to align Canadian requirements with those of the IEC.

For general information on the Standards of the *Canadian Electrical Code, Part II*, see the Preface of CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 0.

This Standard is considered suitable for use for conformity assessment within the stated scope of the Standard.

This Standard was prepared by the Integrated Committee on Adjustable Drives (ICAD), under the jurisdiction of the Technical Committee on Industrial Products (TCIP) and the Strategic Steering Committee on Requirements for Electrical Safety (SCORES), and has been formally approved by the Technical Committee.

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