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### **UL and STAMEQ sign agreement to promote national safety standards and enhance market access for Vietnam**

**NORTHBROOK, Ill., October 1, 2009** -- Underwriters Laboratories (UL) and the Directorate for Standards, Metrology and Quality (STAMEQ), of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, announce an agreement to promote the use of UL Standards for Safety in the ongoing development of national safety standards in Viet Nam via formalized communication and information exchange protocols.

The agreement was signed by both UL and STAMEQ management. This is the eighth such agreement announced by UL in support of its public safety mission and brand globalization initiatives. Earlier, UL announced a similar agreement with:

BSJ, the national standards body of Jamaica,  
IBNORCA, the national standards body of Bolivia in South America,  
INTECO, the national standards body of Costa Rica in Central America,  
SASO, the national standards body of Saudi Arabia,  
SII, the national standards body of Israel,  
TTBS, the national standards body of Trinidad and Tobago. and  
INDECOPI, the national standards body of Peru

"Underwriters Laboratories is pleased to be working with STAMEQ to advance our global public safety mission by deploying UL Standards for Safety nationwide in Viet Nam," said Bob Williams, UL Vice President, Global Standards. "As the national standards body in Viet Nam, STAMEQ officials are demonstrating foresight in promulgating the world's most trusted and widely recognized set of safety standards across their markets and infrastructure. UL welcomes the opportunity to have a standards presence in this country."

STAMEQ is accredited as the national standards writing organization in Viet Nam.

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