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Preface

This is the fourth edition of CSA 3.16, *Lever operated non-lubricated plug type gas shut-off valves*. It supersedes the previous editions published in 2015, 1988, and 1985.

The major changes to this edition include the following:

- a) an alternative manufacturing production test has been added; and
- b) updated formatting throughout the Standard.

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

This Standard was prepared by the ANSI/CSA Joint Subcommittee on Standards on Manual Valves, under the jurisdiction of the Technical Committee on Gas Appliances and Related Accessories and Related Accessories and the Strategic Steering Committee on Standards for Gas Appliances and Related Accessories, and had been formally approved by the CSA Technical Committee and the Interprovincial/Territorial Gas Advisory Council.

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Notes:

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 - c) *wording of the proposed change; and*
 - d) *rationale for the change.*

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1 Scope

1.1

This Standard applies to manual lever operated, gas shut-off valves sizes NPS 1/4 to 8 of metallic construction with weld and flanged and threaded ends other than pressure lubricated designs for use with natural gas, manufactured gas, and liquefied petroleum gases.

Notes:

- 1) Valves covered by this Standard may be used on “digester gas” (methane produced during sewage treatment) but because of entrained contaminants their use is subject to agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser.
- 2) Valves covered by this Standard may not be used on “sour gas” (gas with entrained hydrogen sulphide) without modification(s). Manufacturers should be consulted for their recommendation.

1.2

All valves covered by this Standard will be limited as to the service temperature and/or special provisions in accordance with the following designations and descriptions in Clauses [5](#) to [9](#).

- a) Clause [5](#): –30 to 65 °C (–22 to 149 °F);
- b) Clause [6](#): –40 to 65 °C (–40 to 149 °F);
- c) Clause [7](#): –60 to 65 °C (–76 to 149 °F);
- d) Clause [8](#): –30 to 120 °C (–22 to 248 °F); and
- e) Clause [9](#): –30 to 180 °C (–22 to 356 °F).

1.3

This Standard applies to manual lever operated gas shut-off valves having maximum operating pressure over a range of 0 to 860 kPa (125 psig) and able to withstand field pressure testing to a maximum permissible pressure of 1290 kPa (187 psig).

1.4

All references to psi (kPa) throughout this Standard are considered as gauge pressure unless otherwise specified.

1.5

In this Standard, “shall” is used to express a requirement, i.e., a provision that the user shall satisfy in order to comply with the Standard; “should” is used to express a recommendation or that which is advised but not required; and “may” is used to express an option or that which is permissible within the limits of the Standard.

Notes accompanying clauses do not include requirements or alternative requirements; the purpose of a note accompanying a clause is to separate from the text explanatory or informative material.