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This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee EL-014, Equipment for Explosive Atmospheres.

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The purpose of this document is to provide standard test methods used for the control of static electricity, such as surface resistance, earth leakage resistance, powder resistivity, liquid conductivity, capacitance, and evaluation of the incendivity of provoked discharges. It is especially intended for use with existing Standards of the AS/NZS IEC 60079 series.

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