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The availability of more robust analytical tools and the increasing frequency of intense storms have been contributing factors to changes by the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) regarding rules governing wood pole design for overhead power lines. In 2003, the CSA began the process of transitioning the industry from linear structural analysis to nonlinear structural analysis – Standard C22.3 No.1-15 Overhead Systems in 2015 completed this transition.

Previously, power line designers performed