

# **The Road to ISO 17025 Accreditation: Further Adventures at a National Metrology Institute**

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## **Abstract**

As a signatory to the BIPM Mutual Recognition Arrangement the National Research Council of Canada's Institute for National Measurement Standards is seeking ISO 17025 Accreditation for its calibration and measurement services. We report some of the problems and pitfalls encountered by the Thermometry Group during the Internal Audit and while preparing for the External Audit. Some of these will be very familiar to metrologists from industrial facilities, and some may be unique to NMIs. By sharing our experiences we hope that our clients and peers will realize they are not alone when faced with the sometimes daunting task of ISO 17025 accreditation.