The present document includes information on an individual standardizing body in Canada.

**Country:** Canada

1. **Name:**
   - a) Le Bureau de normalisation du Québec
   - b) BNQ

2. **Date of Establishment:**
   - 1961

3. **Membership:**
   - Nil - BNQ is a branch of the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Tourism of the Government of Quebec

4. **Organizational Structure:**
   - a) Directors
     - Assistant Directors (2)
   - b) Staff: 25

5. **Financing:**
   - BNQ is financed by the Government of Quebec

6. **Activities:**
   - a) Standards writing and certification
   - b) BNQ publishes only its own standards
   - c) BNQ has no power to enforce technical regulations
   - d) BNQ is not a member of any international or regional standardization or certification body
   - e) BNQ has no functions related to the implementation of the Standards Code, except with respect to its own activities
   - f) Catalogue des Normes
7. Fields of Standardization:
   a) Agricultural equipment and products
      Transportation equipment
      Primary minerals
      Construction materials
      Tools and cleaning compounds
      Office supplies
      Textiles
      Food products
   b) 100 new standards or new editions of standards were drafted or adopted in 1980/81

8. Fields of Certification:
   Plastic Pipe
      - field drains
      - perforated pipe
      - unpressurized underground sewage pipe
   Cement Sewer Pipe
      - cement storm sewer
   Asbestos-Cement Sewer Pipe
      - pressurized, asbestos-cement water pipe
   Agricultural lime
   Septic tanks
      - cement septic tanks
      - steel septic tanks
      - plastic septic tanks
      - glass-fibre reinforced plastic septic tanks
   Materials contacting drinking water

9. Status of Publications:
   a) 1021 standards have been published by BNQ
   b) Approximately 20 BNQ standards are referenced in regulations
   c) BNQ does not enforce any technical regulations