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Dear Ice Machine Manufacturer or Other Industry Stakeholder:

EPA welcomes your input on the attached **Final Draft** ENERGY STAR specification for Ice Machines. All stakeholders are encouraged to review the draft specification and provide any final comments to Rebecca Duff, ICF International, at rduff@icfi.com by **June 29, 2007**. This Final Draft specification reflects comments received on the previous Draft 1 document and discussions with several manufacturers at the recent National Restaurant Association Show. Please note that this is the final opportunity to comment on the specification prior to finalization.

Overall, EPA received significant support for the Draft 1 version of the specification. However, several stakeholders requested that EPA move the effective date to January 1, 2008 to coincide with California and other efficiency standards. EPA is now proposing a new effective date of January 1, 2008 in this Final Draft version.

Several stakeholders also voiced their support for the continued coordination between the ENERGY STAR and WaterSense programs on the development of specifications and market outreach strategies. EPA will continue to facilitate coordination between the ENERGY STAR and WaterSense programs and looks forward to further synergies, increased energy and water efficient products, and joint marketing and outreach efforts.

EPA considered all stakeholder comments while preparing the Final Draft document. Rationale is provided in note boxes throughout the specification for those items that EPA did not change as a result of these comments.

Comments on the Final Draft specification will be posted to the ENERGY STAR Product Development Web site unless the submitter requests that their comments remain confidential. If you support the Final Draft specification, please state this in writing or via email. It is equally important that EPA understand which portions of the draft specification meet with stakeholder approval, in addition to identifying the sections that may need further revision.

To track EPA's progress in revising the ENERGY STAR ice machine specification, visit the Product Development Web site at www.energystar.gov/productdevelopment and click on "New Specifications in Development".

Thank you for taking the time to review this draft specification. Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions or concerns at (202) 343-9124 or schmeltz.rachel@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rachel Schmeltz". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the word "Schmeltz".

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