Feedback to Draft 1 version 6.0 Energy Star Commercial Clothes Washer Specification

1 Regarding upper limit of clothes compartment

I am questioning why there should be limited compartment according to DOE definition? There are horizontal-axis clothes washers far above 3,5 cubic feet. It's good to have this Energy Star incitement also for bigger machines.

2 Regarding cleaning and/or rinse performance

In Europe the Commission have given mandate to Cenelec TC 59 to develop a new standard for measurement of energy and water consumption and also taking wash performance in to consideration. The standard group (SWG 1:12) have just up started their work. Coordination and re-use of standards between Europe and USA are recommended.

3 Clearer and simpler standard for commercial washers

It is important that a standard for commercial washers is both relevant for the products under test and feasible to perform for the involved companies/institutions without excessive costs. For instance hardness of water is costly to create. Test clothes should preferably be used more runs (especially if upper limit of compartment should be increased)

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Best Regards