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Dear Imaging Equipment Manufacturer or Other Interested Party:

Thank you for your continuing support and feedback regarding the ENERGY STAR imaging equipment specification revision process. This letter is intended to give you an update on the status of the revision process and on where we are headed in the months to come.

Presently, EPA is beginning preparations for the creation of a first draft specification for comment and review. This Draft 1 specification is now scheduled for release in late fall 2003. One area of focus has been the analysis of the Information Technology Industry Council's proposed criteria and its supporting data, to determine its feasibility and compatibility with EPA's own research and findings. Concurrently, EPA has been meeting with interested stakeholders to understand any additional issues, concerns, and technologies that need to be addressed in the draft specification. A brief sample of the items being considered at the moment include the following:

- Performance and features of imaging equipment technologies in the market today;
- New products and marking technologies not previously included in existing specifications;
- Different approaches to assessing the energy efficiency of imaging equipment;
- Existing industry test procedures for imaging products; and
- Product metering results and other independent research.

EPA appreciates partner and other stakeholder input during this specification revision process. If you would like to share your views and concerns, please feel free to contact me at either [hershberg.craig@epa.gov](mailto:hershberg.craig@epa.gov) or (202) 564-1251 to schedule a meeting or conference call. This letter will be available shortly on the ENERGY STAR Product Development Web site at [www.energystar.gov/productdevelopment](http://www.energystar.gov/productdevelopment), where other materials related to the revision process also are posted. We will contact you in the months ahead with updates as the specification development progresses. Thank you.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Craig Hershberg".

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