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These requirements generally seem reasonable to keep the industry self policing. My only problem with this is that Solar Water Heaters are already required to go through 3rd party certification to receive the Energy star Sticker. Without the third party, SRCC, certification the solar products are not eligible for Energy Star. This seems to imply that all of a sudden SRCC will now be held to a higher standard for anyone to receive Energy Star certification for Solar Water Heating.

I believe the requirements are bringing the rest of the Energy Star community up to the standard that Solar Water Heating systems are currently held to but I don't believe the one certification agency, SRCC, has the ability to comply with any additional requirements. If I am correct, this will effectively eliminate Solar Water Heating from the Energy Star program. That would be a tragedy for the solar water heating industry and a blow to the credibility of Energy Star.

Regards,

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