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Dear HRV/ERV stakeholder or other interested party:

The US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to announce the completion of the Final Version 1.0 ENERGY STAR Heat/Energy Recovery Ventilators (HRVs/ERVs) specification. EPA also wishes to recognize the contributions of Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) to the development of this specification.

The requirements in this Final Version 1.0 specification remain unchanged from the final draft. On January 1, 2010, Tier 1 of this specification will enter effect only in Canada. Please note that qualified products must include the ENERGY STAR mark and state that they are ENERGY STAR qualified only in the Canadian market.

EPA developed this specification with NRCan through a process that included stakeholder meetings, comment periods, and the release of four draft specifications with supporting documents such as data analyses and presentations. Stakeholder comments, previous drafts of the specification, and related materials are available on EPA's ENERGY STAR Web site at www.energystar.gov/productdevelopment. Click on, "New Specifications in Development," and then, "Heat/Energy Recovery Ventilators."

NRCan will be contacting manufacturers and distributors soon with information on registering and reporting qualified models to NRCan.

EPA thanks stakeholders who provided feedback during the specification development process. If you have any questions about the ENERGY STAR program or the specification development process, please contact Andrew Fanara, EPA, at fanara.andrew@epa.gov, or Joshua Forgotson, ICF International, at jforgotson@icfi.com or 1-202-862-2955. If you wish to apply for partnership with NRCan for this product category, or have any questions about partnering under this program, please contact Brian Killins, NRCan, at bkillins@nrcan.gc.ca, or 1-613-947-8764. EPA is not inviting partnership in the U.S. at this time.

Thank you for your continued support of ENERGY STAR.

Best Regards,

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