

Dear ENERGY STAR® Ceiling Fan Partner:

As you may know, the ENERGY STAR Residential Lighting Fixture (RLF) Specification Version 4.0 takes effect on October 1, 2005. Currently, the ENERGY STAR Requirements for Residential Ceiling Fans (Version 2.0) simply reference the RLF specification to set the requirements for ceiling fan light kits. As the RLF specification becomes more complex and specific to light fixtures, EPA recognizes that it is becoming increasingly difficult for ceiling fan partners to determine what requirements actually apply to their products.

As such, EPA is proposing that the following attachment be added to the ceiling fan specification to outline the specific requirements that apply to ceiling fan light kits. For the most part this is a clarification of existing requirements; however, there are a few new requirements that resulted from revisions to the RLF specification. These new requirements appear in red font. It is EPA's understanding that these new requirements are already being met by existing ENERGY STAR ceiling fan light kits.

Please take a moment to review the attached amendment and provide comments by Friday, July 22, 2005. EPA is interested in receiving comments on the overall format of this new appendix as well as the proposed new requirements. All questions and comments should be sent to Tim Greeff, ICF Consulting, at tgreeff@icfconsulting.com.

Once the new appendix is agreed upon by EPA and ceiling fan partners, a new QPI form will be distributed and partners will be asked to provide the additional information needed to meet the new requirements for existing and new products by October 1, 2005.

Thank you for your continued support of ENERGY STAR.