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Via E-Mail

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Re: ENERGY STAR Program Requirements Product Specification for Clothes Washers,  
Eligibility Criteria, Final Draft, Version 6.0, Combination (All-in-One) Washer-Dryers

Dear Amanda,

As a very active member of the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM), we have worked closely with them in the development of the comments they have submitted (under separate cover) regarding this matter. Please be advised that we support and echo the positions taken by AHAM. As their letter calls out, the EPA decided that it should wait to consider clothes washers with an optional dry cycle "until there is both a selection of products with an optional dry cycle available on the market and appropriate testing standards have been developed for them". We applaud the EPA for listening to industry feedback on this point of contention and agree with the EPA that a more detailed evaluation is necessary along with a consultation with the DOE before any changes can be considered.

As always, we appreciate your time and look forward to continued collaboration with the EPA going forward. Our ongoing commitment to the growth, success and integrity of the ENERGY STAR promise is a strong source of pride for Whirlpool Corporation as a leader in designing, producing and marketing ENERGY STAR qualified appliances.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nick Gillespie". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nick Gillespie  
Government Affairs Manager