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Dear Commercial Fryer Manufacturer or Other Interested Stakeholder:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) welcomes your input on the attached Draft 1 ENERGY STAR® Version 2.0 Commercial Fryers specification.

Qualification Criteria

The primary purpose of this revision is to expand the scope of the existing specification to allow large vat commercial fryers to qualify for ENERGY STAR. The proposed Draft 1 levels for large vat fryer cooking energy efficiency are identical to the existing Version 1.0 requirements for standard fryers. However, performance data suggests a relationship between increasing vat size and idle energy consumption and therefore, higher idle energy rate levels are proposed for the larger units. The dataset used to derive the levels proposed in this Draft 1 specification was provided primarily by PG&E's Food Service Technology Center (FSTC) with additional data points submitted by commercial fryer manufacturers. EPA is also proposing to adopt the most recent version of the ASTM test procedure for large vat fryers. Comments on this proposal are due to EPA by **October 22, 2010**.

Enhanced Testing and Verification (ET&V)

On September 14, 2010, EPA released a draft of the existing Version 1.0 specification that focuses on clarification of existing testing and qualification requirements. EPA also included revised Partner Commitments that will support the new ET&V requirements. The Draft 1 Version 2.0 specification also incorporates these proposed changes. Once finalized, these Partner Commitments will be coupled with this Version 2.0 specification

Submittal of Written Comments

Stakeholders are encouraged to submit written comments on the Draft 1 Version 2.0 specification for EPA consideration to commercialfoodservice@energystar.gov by **October 22, 2010**. All comments will be posted to the ENERGY STAR Product Development website unless the submitter requests otherwise.

To track EPA's progress in revising the ENERGY STAR Commercial Fryer specification, visit the Product Development website at www.energystar.gov/revisedspecs.

Thank you for taking the time to review this draft specification. Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions or concerns at (202) 343-9046 or via e-mail at kent.christopher@epa.gov or contact Rebecca Duff, ICF International, at (202) 862-1266 or via e-mail at rduff@icfi.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christopher Kent".

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