



# MI Home Products

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Subject: Energy Star Criteria

The new four-zone alternative for the energy star programs raises some concerns for MI Home Products. We are troubled by the U-factor differential between the zones. How can more than 7/8 of the United States basically have the same U-factor? The southern zone is a .65 and then decreases .25 to a U-factor of .4 for the central zones and then only decreases .05 to a .35 for the northern zones. If you live along the southern coast between Texas and Georgia or the state of Florida you will be the only ones able to buy an energy star labeled aluminum window. Is this really a cost savings approach? If so what such data has been collected to prove a positive cost analysis for this alternative.

Regards,

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