



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF
AIR AND RADIATION

September 2, 2016

Dear ENERGY STAR® Ceiling Fan Brand Owner or Other Interested Party:

With this letter the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing a minor revision of the ENERGY STAR Version 3 Ceiling Fan specification to exempt ceiling fan light kits from the standby power consumption requirement. No currently certified products would be affected by this revision.

Under the ENERGY STAR Ceiling Fan specification, light kits must meet all requirements outlined in the ENERGY STAR Luminaires specification in effect at the time of certification. Stakeholders have brought to EPA's attention concerns that the standby power consumption criteria found in Section 11.5 of the ENERGY STAR Version 2.0 Luminaires specification are too stringent for ceiling fan light kits with remotes that control both light and fan settings. In light of the fact that most ENERGY STAR ceiling fans are controlled by a remote, EPA is exempting ceiling fan light kits from the standby requirement until the new Federal metric and test method, which take standby loss into account, are incorporated through a more extensive revision. Ceiling fan light kits must meet all other requirements found in the Luminaires specification at the time of certification.

If you have comments or concerns about this change, please submit them by **September 23, 2016**, to CeilingFans@energystar.gov. Please direct any specific questions to Abigail Daken at EPA, Daken.Abigail@epa.gov or 202-343-9375 and/or Jacob Bayus at ICF International, Jacob.Bayus@icfi.com or 202-791-8871. Barring any objections from stakeholders, EPA expects to finalize Version 3.1 by October 3, 2016 and this update to the standby requirements will be available immediately.

Thank you for your continued support of the ENERGY STAR program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Abigail Daken".

Abigail Daken
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
ENERGY STAR HVAC Program