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Dear ENERGY STAR® Commercial Fryer Brand Owner or Other Interested Party:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to provide you with the Final Version 3.0 ENERGY STAR Commercial Fryers specification. EPA would like to thank the many stakeholders who contributed valuable feedback that informed this specification revision process. The effective date for this specification is October 1, 2016.

The new Version 3.0 performance requirements for standard vat electric fryers offer end users as much as 17% in energy savings and about \$320 per year when compared to conventional models. If all standard vat electric fryers sold in the United States met these ENERGY STAR requirements, the savings in energy costs would grow to nearly \$15 million each year and nearly 330 million pounds of annual greenhouse gas emissions would be prevented, equivalent to the emissions from more than 30,000 vehicles.

Overview of Version 3.0 Specification

On November 25, 2015, EPA distributed a Final Draft for stakeholder review. EPA received no comments on this draft and thus the Final Version 3.0 specification remains unchanged from the Final Draft. This specification was developed through a process that included the release of two draft specifications and a stakeholder webinar. All Version 3.0 specification development materials are available on EPA's ENERGY STAR website at www.energystar.gov/RevisedSpecs (click on the Commercial Fryers "Version 3.0 is in development" link).

Transition Timeline and Next Steps

EPA shares its Partners desire for a smooth transition from one ENERGY STAR specification version to the next with the objective of meeting end user expectations that ENERGY STAR labeled products fully meet the latest requirements in effect upon their date of manufacture. With this in mind, EPA has established the following timeline:

- Effective immediately, manufacturers may elect to have their Certification Body (CB) certify their eligible products to the Version 3.0 requirements.
- On May 15, 2016 CBs will be asked to stop certifying new product submittals to the existing ENERGY STAR Version 2.0 specification requirements. Note, however, that existing certifications to Version 2.0 will remain valid for the purposes of ENERGY STAR qualification until October 1, 2016.
- As of October 1, 2016 any product manufactured and labeled as ENERGY STAR must meet Version 3.0 requirements. At this time, all certifications of products to the Version 2.0 specification will be invalid for purposes of ENERGY STAR qualification and CBs will only submit product models certified to Version 3.0 to EPA.

Requirements have not been changed for standard vat gas, large vat gas and large vat electric fryers. Although performance levels for these products have not changed, manufacturers should work with their CBs to ensure their products continue to appear on the ENERGY STAR certified product list.

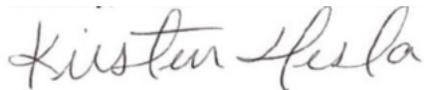
Third-Party Certification

All new products must be certified by an EPA-recognized CB before being labeled and marketed as ENERGY STAR. Upon satisfactory completion of all certification requirements, a CB will notify the Partner that the product is ENERGY STAR certified and will submit certified product data to EPA for listing on the ENERGY STAR website. For more information on the Third-party Certification program please visit www.energystar.gov/3rdpartycert. Currently qualified models that are not certified to Version 3.0 will be removed from the ENERGY STAR qualified products list on October 1, 2016.

Please note that ENERGY STAR partnership as a manufacturer is limited to organizations that own and/or license a brand name under which they sell eligible products in the United States and/or Canada. Partnership is not available to original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) that do not sell directly to end users. OEMs may certify products on behalf of the ENERGY STAR brand owners/licensees; however, the brand owner must be the ENERGY STAR partner associated directly with the certified product models, since only partners are authorized to use the ENERGY STAR certification mark.

On behalf of EPA, I appreciate your participation in the development of this specification and look forward to working with each of you to promote ENERGY STAR certified fryers. Please feel free to contact me at (202) 564-2984 and Hesla.Kirsten@epa.gov or Rebecca Duff, ICF International, at (434) 202-7875 and Rebecca.Duff@icfi.com with any questions regarding this specification or the certification process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kirsten Hesla".

Kirsten Hesla, Product Manager
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