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Dear ENERGY STAR® Commercial Coffee Brewer Manufacturer or Other Interested Party:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to share this Final Draft Version 1.0 ENERGY STAR Commercial Coffee Brewers specification. EPA would like to thank the many stakeholders who have contributed feedback that has informed this product specification process. The Agency plans to finalize this specification in May and will invite manufacturers to certify products upon publication. A brief summary of changes reflected in this draft is included below.

Recent Activities to Date
EPA held an in-person stakeholder meeting on November 4, 2015, during the National Automated Merchandising Association (NAMA) Coffee, Tea, and Water Show in Washington, D.C. to discuss the Draft 1 specification, which was released on October 30, 2015. Based on input received during that stakeholder meeting, subsequent industry discussions, and written comments, EPA has developed this Final Draft.

Overview of the Final Draft
The majority of the feedback from stakeholders demonstrated support of the Draft 1 proposal, with modest modifications requested. EPA addresses verbal and written comments submitted by stakeholders in response to Draft 1, and provides the rationale for proposed changes in note boxes throughout the specification. The changes made throughout this draft do not impact the test method or performance levels. EPA has made two noteworthy edits in this Final Draft specification.

- EPA added a minimum temperature limit in the hot water tank while operating in energy save mode; and
- EPA expanded the scope to include satellite coffee brewers without separate heated docking stations for remote use.

Submittal of Written Comments
Comments on the Final Draft Version 1.0 specification may be submitted via email to coffeebrewers@energystar.gov no later than May 9, 2016. All comments will be posted to the ENERGY STAR Product Development website unless the submitter requests otherwise. EPA correspondence and specification documents are posted on the ENERGY STAR Commercial Coffee Brewers specification development webpage, which can be accessed through www.energystar.gov/newspecs (click on the Commercial Coffee Brewers “Version 1.0 is in development” link).
Stakeholders with questions or comments can contact me directly at (202) 564-2984 and Hesla.Kirsten@epa.gov or Adam Spitz, ICF International, at (916) 231-7685 and Adam.Spitz@icfi.com.

Sincerely,

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