

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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Dear Room Air Conditioner Brand Owner or Other Interested Party:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Department of Energy (DOE) welcome your input on the attached draft ENERGY STAR Test Method to validate Demand Response capabilities of Room Air Conditioners with connected functionality.

Following the publication of the Version 4.0 Room Air Conditioner specification with optional connected criteria, DOE and EPA worked with stakeholders to source products that could inform the drafting of this Demand Response Test Method. Once finalized, this Test Method can be applied at the option of Room Air Conditioner partners wishing to have their Room Air Conditioner identified as having connected functionality on the ENERGY STAR Product Finder and/or wishing to make use of the 5% allowance.

Stakeholders are invited to participate in a web-based stakeholder meeting on February 22 from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time to discuss the Draft Test Method. To register for the webinar, please click [here](#). Comments on the Test Method may be submitted via email by March 9, 2017 to appliances@energystar.gov. All comments received will be posted to the ENERGY STAR Room Air Conditioner Product Development [Webpage](#), unless the submitter specifically requests that his or her comments remain confidential.

The exchange of ideas and information between EPA, DOE, and stakeholders is critical to the success of ENERGY STAR. Please feel free to contact me at (202) 343-9464 and fiffer.melissa@epa.gov or Bryan Berringer at (202) 586-0371 or bryan.berringer@ee.doe.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melissa Fiffer".

Melissa Fiffer, EPA Manager

ENERGY STAR for Room Air Conditioners