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Dear ENERGY STAR® Brand Owner or Other Interested Party:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is releasing the final ENERGY STAR Emerging Technology Award criteria for a new 2022 product category: Adaptive Commercial Refrigeration Equipment. This award will recognize self-contained commercial refrigeration products using variable speed compressors with sensor-driven control systems capable of capacity modulation.

After reviewing input from stakeholders, EPA has maintained the criteria presented in the initial draft that EPA released on January 12th. All documents associated with the development of the Adaptive Commercial Refrigeration Equipment criteria can be found on the ENERGY STAR Emerging Technology for Industry Stakeholders webpage.

**Award Application Process**
Manufacturers with products that meet the Award criteria may immediately begin submitting the necessary documentation to emergingtech@energystar.gov for EPA review. Award-winning products will be recognized upon determination that all Award criteria have been satisfied. Note that multiple products are eligible for the Award. All recognized, Award-winning products will be listed on energystar.gov on the list of ENERGY STAR Emerging Technology Award winners for Adaptive Commercial Refrigeration Equipment.

**2021 Residential Induction Cooking Tops Category**
This letter also serves as notice that EPA is extending recognition of the 2021 Award category – Residential Induction Cooking Tops – into 2022. No changes to the criteria have been made for 2022. The performance criteria and list of award-winning products can be found on the Residential Induction Cooking Tops webpage.

If you have any questions about the Award, the criteria development process, or marketing and promotion of Award-winning products, please contact me, Peter Banwell, at banwell.peter@epa.gov and (202) 343-9408, or Emmy Feldman at emmy.feldman@icf.com and (202) 862-1145.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:
Final Criteria for Adaptive Commercial Refrigeration Equipment