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Dear ENERGY STAR® Commercial Dishwasher Partner or Other Interested Stakeholders:

With this letter, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is releasing the ENERGY STAR Version 3.0 Commercial Dishwasher Final Draft Specification. This final draft addresses stakeholder feedback on the previously released Draft 2 specification, the subsequent Draft 2 stakeholder webinar held on October 22, 2019, and the limited topic proposal that was published on March 4, 2020. EPA plans on publishing the Final Version 3.0 Commercial Dishwasher Specification no later than August 10, 2020 with an effective date of May 24, 2021.

Through the limited topic proposal and extensive discussion with stakeholders, EPA vetted a means of offsetting the energy used by heat recovery machines. EPA's proposal received broad support and the Agency has carried this proposal into the final draft. In response to Draft 2, stakeholders suggested, and EPA has included, a footnote acknowledging the difference in water consumption measurements outlined in NSF versus ASTM test methods. Lastly, EPA received requests for clarifications to definitions and the idle energy efficiency requirements, all of which are addressed in the final draft. EPA has noted these changes and the Agency’s rationale with note boxes throughout the specification and has also attached a comment response matrix for the Draft 2 Specification and Limited Topic Proposal.

Comment Submittal
Remaining stakeholder comments regarding the Version 3.0 Final Draft Specification may be submitted no later than July 13, 2020 to commercialdishwashers@energystar.gov.

As a reminder, all submitted comments will be posted to the ENERGY STAR Product Development website unless the submitter specifically requests their respective comments remain confidential.

Please contact me at Crk.Tanja@epa.gov or 202-566-1037 and Adam Spitz at Adam.Spitz@icf.com or 916-231-7685 with questions or concerns. For any other commercial dishwasher related questions, please contact commercialdishwashers@energystar.gov.

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

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:
Version 3.0 Commercial Dishwasher Final Draft Specification
Version 3.0 Commercial Dishwasher Draft 2 Comment Matrix
Version 3.0 Commercial Dishwasher Limited Topic Proposal Comment Matrix

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