

## **ENERGY STAR Partnership Agreement for Associations**

### **Commitments**

Partner believes that an organization-wide energy management approach will help organizations enhance their financial health and aid in preserving the environment for future generations.

Partner will encourage its members to:

- Measure and track the energy performance of facilities, operations, and commercial new construction projects using tools such as ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager for buildings, ENERGY STAR Energy Performance Indicators (EPIs) for plants, and others offered through ENERGY STAR;
- Develop and implement plans consistent with the ENERGY STAR Guidelines for Energy Management to achieve energy savings;
- Promote the importance of energy efficiency, and the value of partnership with ENERGY STAR, to stakeholders, such as staff, association members, peer organizations, suppliers, and the community at large, and facilitate energy savings among these stakeholders through competitions, campaigns, and other engagement, where possible; and
- Highlight achievements by pursuing ENERGY STAR recognition and publicizing the accomplishments and recognition received by successful programs.

EPA will:

- Provide resources and tools to support partner's commitment to encourage its members to measure, track, and improve the energy performance of organizations.
- Recognize organization as a partner on the ENERGY STAR website.
- Provide access to partner resources, including the ENERGY STAR logo, which is recognized by more than 90 percent of American households.

### **General Terms and Conditions**

By submitting this application, the Partner acknowledges and agrees to the following:

- Partner has reviewed and will comply with the guidelines for use of the ENERGY STAR logo as described in the ENERGY STAR Brand Book (<https://www.energystar.gov/about/energy-star-brand/energy-star-brand-book>)
- Partner commits to promote ENERGY STAR in a manner consistent with the national ENERGY STAR efforts and to follow all applicable terms and conditions governing the use of the ENERGY STAR logos, which are registered trade and service marks.
- Partner understands that EPA may pursue legal action related to misuse of the ENERGY STAR logo or name.

- Partner will not construe, claim, or imply that its participation in the ENERGY STAR program constitutes federal government approval, acceptance, or endorsement of anything other than Partner's commitment to the program.
- Partner understands its participation in the ENERGY STAR program does not constitute federal government endorsement of partner or its buildings, products, services, or industrial facilities and plants.
- Partner understands that the activities it undertakes in connection with the ENERGY STAR program are voluntary and not intended to provide services to the federal government. As such, that partner will not submit a claim for compensation to any federal agency.
- Partner understands this agreement is wholly voluntary and may be terminated by either party at any time, and for any reason, without penalty.