Certification Body Webinar for CAC/ASHP V5.0 and Draft Directive for Verifying ICM Combinations

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Agenda

• Overview of the ENERGY STAR program

• Reviewing Central Air Conditioners and Air-source Heat Pumps (CAC/ASHP) Version 5 specification

• Summarizing the CAC/ASHP draft requirements for verifying Independent Coil Manufacturers (ICM) Certified Combinations under the new specification
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Air Source Heat Pump and Central Air Conditioner Equipment **Version 5.0**

- V5.0 effective September 15, 2015
- Changes compared to V4.1 specification:
  - Scope expansion – Independent Coil Manufacturer (ICM) coil combinations added to the scope.
    - In an ICM coil combination, the coil (indoor unit) is manufactured by the ICM and is matched with an outdoor unit of a different manufacturer.
    - For ENERGY STAR qualification, an ICM coil can only be matched with an outdoor unit that is part of an ENERGY STAR qualified system manufacturer combination (System).
    - ENERGY STAR is awarded to the coil combination and not just the coil.
  - New national performance levels
    - Split Systems – 15 SEER, 12.5 EER and 8.5 HSPF
    - Single Package – 15 SEER, 12 EER and 8.2 HSPF
Initial Certification Guidance for ICM Combinations

Test Requirements (CAC/ASHP Specification, section 4.0)

- ICMs have the following sampling options for certification testing
  - Single test sample:
    - A single sample ICM coil is selected and tested with its matched outdoor unit.
    - The measured performance of this combination and of each subsequent combinations must be equal to or better than the ENERGY STAR specification requirements.
  - Multiple sample or ARM:
    - Rating determined by selecting units based on sampling requirements defined in 10 CFR Part 429, Subpart B § 429.16 or by the application of an alternative rating method (ARM) as defined in 10 CFR Part 429.70
    - The certified rating must be equal to or better than the ENERGY STAR specification requirements.
Verification Testing Guidance for ICM Combinations - Sample Size

• Under the multiple test sample approach, four units of the indoor coil from the ICM should be available for testing.
  – Each of the four ICM coil samples will be paired and tested with the same selected outdoor unit sample.

• In the unlikely event that Partners opt for the single sample approach, only 1 unit of the indoor coil from the ICM will be paired and tested with the selected outdoor unit sample.
Verification Testing Guidance for ICM Combinations – Unit Selection

• Select an outdoor model sample that has been verified to perform ≥ 95% of its rating as part of the System within the last three years
  – If a verified outdoor unit sample is not readily available, the CB will need to obtain an outdoor model unit from a verified system, assuming every outdoor unit from that sample performed ≥ 95% of its rating as part of the System within the last three years
• If there are no outdoor units available that are matched with the ICM coil, that performed ≥ 95% of its rating as part of the System within the last three years, then the CB is required to obtain a System that includes a relevant outdoor unit and test it as soon as possible.
  – The System test can be counted towards the annual testing requirement.
  – If the System performed at ≥ 95% of its rating, then the ICM can be tested with the outdoor unit sample.
CB Responsibilities for ICM Combinations

• Coordinate testing based on the availability of outdoor units from previously verified system manufacturer combinations

• Make arrangements to store eligible outdoor units (verified to perform at ≥ 95% of its rating) that are paired with a certified ICM combination, for 3 years for verification testing purposes

• The ICM is responsible for enabling verification testing of their indoor units with an eligible outdoor unit

• Report any issues with procurement or selection of ICM combinations or outdoor units to EPA immediately
Timeline

- **May 1, 2015** – Version 4.1 cessation date, all newly certified combinations must be certified to Version 5.0.
- **September 15, 2015** – Version 5.0 effective date, all combinations not certified to Version 5.0 must be removed from the qualified product list.
- **September 15, 2015** – Any verification testing conducted starting on September 15, 2015 will be for units certified to Version 5.0.
  - Per [Directive #2011-06](#), count all base model group (BMG) units as one unique model
  - All certified Systems and ICM combinations are eligible for verification testing
  - When making test failure determinations, the CB may verify the test setup with the manufacturer to confirm that the test was valid
  - CB must report testing failures to EPA within 2 business days of determining the failure
  - EPA will determine if the BMG will be disqualified per the [Disqualification Procedures](#)
Questions?
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