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Dear Commercial Oven Partner or Other Interested Stakeholder:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) welcomes your input on the following Draft 3 Version 2.0 ENERGY STAR[®] Commercial Oven specification. With this draft, the Agency is refining proposed performance levels for convection ovens based on the revised ASTM test procedure. Stakeholders are encouraged to submit comments to EPA no later than November 2, 2012.

Changes to Draft 2

This draft reflects input received from stakeholders in response to the Draft 2 specification, the analysis of new data, and subsequent discussions with stakeholders. Questions and important discussion topics are highlighted in note boxes located throughout the draft specification. The comments received during Draft 2 and a masked version of the dataset and data plots are posted to the ENERGY STAR website at www.energystar.gov/revisedspecs.

The Draft 3 Version 2.0 specification includes the following key changes:

1. **Definitions:** Based on stakeholder input, EPA has proposed alternative terminology to define those ovens unable to accommodate a single 12x20x2 ½ pan in any rack position. We are proposing to use the term “Less than ½ Size” rather than “2/3 Size” to avoid any possible confusion.
2. **Scope:** EPA expanded the scope of products to include gas combination ovens with 6-pans based on additional data and comments submitted by stakeholders.
3. **Combination Oven Efficiency Requirements:** Based on updated data from several California utilities, EPA is proposing new cooking efficiency performance levels for convection ovens. EPA has provided additional information on the analysis completed and the proposed changes in the supplement to the Draft 3 specification.
4. **Effective Date:** EPA plans to finalize the Version 2.0 Commercial Oven specification by December 2012. Any eligible model may qualify immediately upon finalization, once it is certified to the Version 2.0 requirements by an EPA recognized Certification Body (CB). Effective **September 1, 2013**, all currently qualified convection ovens must meet the Version 2.0 requirements and be third party certified to remain on the ENERGY STAR Qualified Product List (QPL). Manufacturers of products that do not meet eligibility and certification requirements as of this date must cease using the ENERGY STAR mark to promote their products.

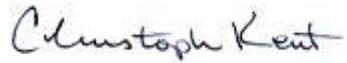
Stakeholders are requested to provide comments on the Draft 3 specification no later than November 2, 2012. Please email comments to commercialovens@energystar.gov. All comments received will be posted to the ENERGY STAR product development website, unless the submitter specifically requests otherwise.

The exchange of ideas and information between EPA, industry, and other interested parties is critical to the success of ENERGY STAR. To track EPA's progress in revising the ENERGY STAR Commercial

Oven specification and to review comments, please visit the product development website at www.energystar.gov/revisedspecs.

Thank you for your continued support of ENERGY STAR. Please contact me at (202) 343-9046 and kent.christopher@epa.gov or Adam Spitz, of ICF International at (202) 862-1226 and adam.spitz@icfi.com with any questions or comments regarding this specification revision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christopher Kent". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'C'.

Christopher Kent,
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