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Dear Commercial Oven Partner or Other Interested Stakeholder:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to inform you that the Version 2.0 ENERGY STAR[®] Commercial Oven Program Requirements has been finalized. Your valuable feedback throughout the development process has been integral to the design of the final eligibility criteria. The new Version 2.0 Program Requirements will take effect on January 1, 2014.

These final eligibility criteria outline new energy efficiency requirements that commercial ovens will need to meet in order to earn the ENERGY STAR. This document will replace the current Version 1.1 Eligibility Criteria. Manufacturers may now begin certifying commercial convection and combination ovens to the Version 2.0 Requirements.

Commercial ovens that meet these new requirements will provide significant savings to purchasers. If all commercial ovens in the United States met these new ENERGY STAR requirements, the savings in energy costs would grow to more than \$165 million each year and more than 2 billion pounds of annual greenhouse gas emissions would be prevented, equivalent to the emissions from more than 209,000 vehicles. With this specification, the ENERGY STAR label will recognize products that are, on average, between 6 to 41% more energy efficient than standard models, depending on the product size, fuel type and operating characteristics of the oven. New to this specification, ENERGY STAR combination ovens will be an average of 31 to 35% more efficient than standard models.

The complete Commercial Oven Program Requirements document, including the Final Version 2.0 Eligibility Criteria and existing Partner Commitments, is attached for your reference. Previous draft proposals, supporting analyses, and stakeholder comments are available on the Product Development website at www.energystar.gov/revisedspeccs (click on 'Commercial Ovens').

Effective Date and Deployment Timeline

EPA shares its Partners' desire for a smooth transition from one ENERGY STAR specification version to the next with the objective of meeting end user expectations that ENERGY STAR labeled products fully meet the latest requirements in effect upon their date of manufacture. With this in mind, EPA has established the following timeline:

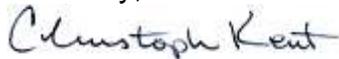
- Effective immediately, manufacturers may elect to have their Certification Body (CB) certify their eligible products to the Version 2.0 requirements.
- On **September 2, 2013** CBs will be asked to stop certifying new product submittals to the existing ENERGY STAR Version 1.1 specification requirements. Note, however, that existing certifications to Version 1.1 will remain valid for the purposes of ENERGY STAR qualification until January 1, 2014.
- As of **January 1, 2014** any product manufactured and labeled as ENERGY STAR must meet Version 2.0 requirements. At this time, all certifications of products to the Version 1.1 specification will be invalid for purposes of ENERGY STAR qualification and CBs will only submit product models certified to Version 2.0 to EPA.

Third-Party Certification

Manufacturers are reminded that as of January 1, 2011 all new products must be certified by an EPA-recognized CB before being labeled and marketed as ENERGY STAR. Upon satisfactory completion of all certification requirements, a CB will notify the Partner that the product is ENERGY STAR qualified and will submit qualified product data to EPA for listing on the ENERGY STAR website. For more information on the Third-party Certification program please visit www.energystar.gov/3rdpartycert.

On behalf of EPA, I appreciate your participation in the development of this specification and look forward to working with each of you as you qualify and promote your energy-efficient equipment. Please feel free to contact me at (202) 343-9046 and kent.christopher@epa.gov or Adam Spitz, ICF International, at (202) 862-1226 and adam.spitz@icfi.com with any questions or comments regarding this specification.

Sincerely,



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