Dear ENERGY STAR® Commercial Ovens Partner or Other Interested Party:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing an amendment to the test method referenced in the current (Version 2.0) ENERGY STAR Commercial Ovens specification.

On June 1, 2013, the ASTM F1496-13 Standard Test Method for Performance of Convection Ovens was approved. The only change to the updated ASTM F1496 test method was to add a definition to the “energy to pan” formula, used in calculating cooking-energy efficiency. This definition was added to help clarify the inputs needed for the cooking-energy efficiency calculation and does not change the testing methodology. As such, this amendment will not impact models currently certified to Version 2.0 or require retesting of ovens tested using the ASTM F1496-12.

The attached Version 2.1 specification references the revised ASTM F1496-13 test method in place of Version 2.0 ASTM F1496-12 and takes effect immediately. No other changes have been made to the Eligibility Criteria. Stakeholders with questions can email commercialovens@energystar.gov.

Thank you for your continued support of ENERGY STAR.