

As a HVAC wholesaler, I greatly appreciate the effort and timeliness invested in the Energy Star version 3.0 revision. For that, I thank you all very much. It will make it much easier for our Dealers to sell the energy efficient benefits of the Geothermal System.

I do have one request, and that is to make it retroactive to January 1, 2009, so that Water to Water systems put in to service this year will qualify for the Tax Credit. Although we have made our dealers aware that these systems did not qualify, I think there have been some assumptions promoted by manufacturers that the revision would be retroactive. I know that responsibility for the misinformation does not fall on your shoulders, but I feel that the entire geothermal industry would benefit more from a proactive outcome. We have sold several systems this year that standard water to air would not work, and water to water was the best solution. I'm sure those consumers would greatly appreciate the additional benefit of tax credit qualification. We have also had several jobs that either did not go, or are on hold waiting for this revision.

Thank you for your consideration.

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