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Dear ENERGY STAR® Light Commercial HVAC Stakeholder or Other Interested Party:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has finalized the ENERGY STAR® Version 2.2 Light Commercial HVAC (LC HVAC) specification. **Please note that EPA considers this specification to be final and has no further plans to revise it at this time.** The new Version 2.2 specification will take effect on January 1, 2011.

EPA received limited stakeholder feedback on the Draft Final Version 2.2 specification, which proposed the removal of the Tier 2 placeholder in the current version of the specification (Version 2.1). EPA will continue to monitor the marketplace, including a periodic review of the Air-Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI) directory and analysis of 2010 ENERGY STAR market penetration data, and initiate a specification revision process, as appropriate. We will also continue to monitor industry response to new performance levels recently proposed by the Consortium for Energy Efficiency (CEE) for LC HVAC products.

Also effective on January 1, 2011, all new LC HVAC products seeking ENERGY STAR qualification will be required to be tested by an EPA-recognized Laboratory and third-party certified by an EPA-recognized Certification Body. Manufacturers can view the latest list of recognized Certification Bodies and Laboratories at: [www.energystar.gov/testingandverification](http://www.energystar.gov/testingandverification). This list will be updated as new applications are received and approved for participation in the ENERGY STAR program.

By March 31, 2011, manufacturers are expected to submit all previously qualified ENERGY STAR LC HVAC products (i.e. those not qualified through a third-party certification program) for verification testing through an EPA-recognized Certification Body.

Manufacturers with specific questions about the new Program Requirements can contact Abigail Daken, EPA, at [daken.abigail@epa.gov](mailto:daken.abigail@epa.gov) or 202-343-9375 and Rebecca Duff, ICF International, at [rduff@icfi.com](mailto:rduff@icfi.com) or 202-862-1266. Thank you for your continued support of ENERGY STAR.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Abigail Daken".

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ENERGY STAR HVAC Program