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Dear Uninterruptible Power Supply Equipment Manufacturers and Other Interested Parties:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) welcomes your input on the following Draft ENERGY STAR<sup>®</sup> Test Method for uninterruptible power supplies (UPSs). This draft is being proposed for use in the initial data collection as part of the ENERGY STAR specification development process and may be revised prior to implementation as the final ENERGY STAR Test Method for determining product compliance with the future specification. For example, the definitions, which are presented in the attached draft test method for ease of reference, will be refined during the specification development process and moved into the eligibility criteria of the future ENERGY STAR<sup>®</sup> UPS specification.

EPA is inviting comment on this draft, to ensure that all data submitted is consistent and relevant. EPA has already received some comments from industry stakeholders on the key issues raised by the test procedure, and will consider them along with any other comments provided during the upcoming Webinar on November 19, 2010, and in writing by December 8, 2010.

In particular, EPA seeks feedback on:

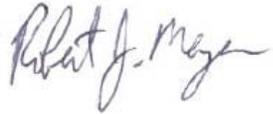
- Any gaps encountered when addressing the full suite of UPS products from consumer- to datacenter-scale;
- Potential impact the test procedure might have on the later specification development process; and
- Any additional data collection parameters that are relevant to the test method.

On behalf of EPA, I appreciate your participation in the development of this test procedure, which will be followed by a comment period and data collection. EPA looks forward to continuing to work with stakeholders through these steps.

The exchange of ideas and information between EPA, product manufacturers, and other interested parties is critical to our success. We hope you will continue to actively participate in the ENERGY STAR specification development process. If you know of others who may be interested in participating in this process, please forward this announcement and encourage them to send their contact information to [UPS@energystar.gov](mailto:UPS@energystar.gov) to be added to the stakeholder contact list.

Please direct any specific questions to RJ Meyers, EPA, at [Meyers.Robert@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:Meyers.Robert@epamail.epa.gov) or 202-343-9923, or Matt Malinowski, ICF International, at [MMalinowski@icfi.com](mailto:MMalinowski@icfi.com) or 202-862-2693. We look forward to working with you and thank you for your interest in ENERGY STAR.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert J. Meyers". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R" and a long, sweeping underline.

RJ Meyers  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
ENERGY STAR for UPS