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To: ssl@energystar.gov

Subject: full cutoff for lights

Dear Energy Star people,

I understand from the International Dark Sky Association that you people are proposing new regulations for the distribution of light intensities. It is vital for both energy conservation and sky viewing that these improvements be enacted and that LED fixtures be utilized wherever possible. I heartily support the proposals and hope that they will be enacted.

I note one concern with the parking garage lighting. Doesn't the cone angle depend significantly on the size of the illuminated area and the distance of the fixture from the edge?. I have been blinded on the street by lights from parking garages with open walls when i was in the 60-70 degree zone.

thank you,
John R. Dickel