UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460



OFFICE OF AIR AND RADIATION

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Dear ENERGY STAR[®] Imaging Equipment Partner or Other Interested Stakeholder:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the European Commission (EC) are beginning to examine and revise the ENERGY STAR specification for imaging equipment. The efficiency criteria in the current ENERGY STAR specification have been in effect since July 2009, and market share of qualified models is increasing steadily. As indicated in past correspondence, EPA plans to revisit the current ENERGY STAR specifications for office and consumer electronics on a biannual basis to ensure the ENERGY STAR mark continues to represent the top performers in terms of energy efficiency. As always, stakeholder participation in this process is critical to its success.

Discussion Guide

EPA and the EC are sharing the attached ENERGY STAR Imaging Equipment discussion guide to invite your input on the proposed specification development process, possible approaches for covered products, as well as key questions regarding the forthcoming specification revision.

EPA welcomes written comment from stakeholders on the issues presented in the discussion guide through **Friday**, **April 1**, **2011**. Please send all comments and supporting information to <u>imagingequipment@energystar.gov</u>.

The discussion guide will be posted to the ENERGY STAR Imaging Equipment Specification Revision page at <u>https://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=revisions.img_equip_spec</u>. Future materials pertaining to the revision of the ENERGY STAR Imaging Equipment specification will also be made available on this site.

Collection of Non-qualified Product Performance Data

To assist EPA in determining ENERGY STAR performance levels, manufacturers are invited to submit product information on non-qualified imaging equipment models using the data template attached with this letter. A robust data set of both qualified and non-qualified product performance data will ensure that revised specification levels are reflective of overall market conditions. If you wish to submit non-qualified product performance data, please send completed data forms to <u>imagingequipment@energystar.gov</u> by April 1, 2011.

Web based Stakeholder Meeting

On April 13, 2011, EPA will hold an online stakeholder meeting to listen to stakeholders' ideas and concerns, and to discuss EPA's proposed approach to establishing Version 2.0 requirements. Please RSVP to <u>imagingequipment@energystar.gov</u> by Tuesday, April 12, to receive call-in information.

Stakeholders are encouraged to provide EPA with any additional topics to be addressed during the April discussion. EPA is also willing to hold individual phone conversations with stakeholders, if needed.

Thank you for your continued support of ENERGY STAR. I look forward to working with you on this next revision of the ENERGY STAR imaging equipment specification. Please contact me at (202) 343-9046 or <u>kent.christopher@epa.gov</u> with any questions or comments regarding this specification revision.

Sincerely,

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