

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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Dear ENERGY STAR[®] Imaging Equipment Partner or Other Interested Stakeholder:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is beginning the process to examine and revise the ENERGY STAR specification for imaging equipment to establish Tier 2 energy-efficiency criteria. Tier 1 of the current ENERGY STAR Version 1.0 specification has been in effect since April 2007 and market share of qualified models is increasing steadily. As indicated in the Version 1.0 specification, EPA will revisit the current ENERGY STAR specification for imaging equipment to set Tier 2 performance levels that 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.

Collection of Non-qualified Data

To assist EPA in determining Tier 2 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. Beginning with a robust data set that includes both qualified and non-qualified models will ensure that Tier 2 criteria are set at appropriate levels and reflective of the overall market. If you wish to submit non-qualified data, please send completed data forms to Bijit Kundu, ICF International, at bkundu@icfi.com by January 11, 2008.

Virtual Stakeholder Meeting

On December 11, 2007, EPA will hold an online stakeholder meeting to listen to stakeholders' ideas and concerns, and to discuss EPA's efforts to establish Tier 2 requirements. Prior to this Web-based meeting, EPA will distribute a detailed agenda, which will highlight key issues related to the Tier 2 specification revision. Some areas that may be highlighted in the agenda include:

- Revisiting duplexing requirements for copiers, multifunction devices (MFDs), and printers to ensure they are reflective of current products in the market.
- The need for addition of recovery or default-delay time requirements.
- The impact of changes to the ENERGY STAR External Power Supply (EPS) specification.
- New product technologies or product categories that we should consider.

Stakeholders are encouraged to notify EPA of additional changes they feel may be needed to the Version 1.0 specification, or other topics to be addressed during the December 11 discussion. EPA also is willing to hold individual phone conversations with stakeholders, if needed.

Stakeholders who are interested in participating in the Web-based meeting are requested to **RSVP no later than Friday, December 7, 2007**. Please RSVP via e-mail to Bijit Kundu at bkundu@icfi.com. More information on the meeting, including an agenda, will be provided to participants prior to the meeting.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christopher Kent".

Christopher Kent, EPA Product Manager
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