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Dear ENERGY STAR® Computers Partner or Other Interested Stakeholder:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to provide you with the final Version 6.1 ENERGY STAR Program Requirements. EPA would like to thank the many stakeholders who have invested time and effort in this revision. **The Version 6.1 requirements will take effect on September 10th, 2014**. This letter provides highlights of the new requirements.

The Version 6.1 Program Requirements expand the scope of the computers program to include two new product types; Slates/Tablets and Portable All-In-One Computers, as well as a new subtype of Notebook Computers; Two-In-One Notebooks. Power management and energy efficiency criteria have been added for the two new product types, while Two-In-One Notebooks are addressed directly through the existing Version 6.0 Notebook Computer requirements.

By making the ENERGY STAR label available to these products, EPA recognizes additional highly efficient computer options and helps consumers reduce energy bills and decrease greenhouse gas emissions. The computer market has transformed significantly since the introduction of the first consumer-facing tablets in 2009 and 2010. Many of the personal and business functions that have long been conducted on desktop and laptop computers are now performed on smaller, more mobile devices. Adding these products to the ENERGY STAR program will facilitate the procurement of these energy efficient computer products. ENERGY STAR product test data will also provide valuable information for policymakers and third parties that want to better understand the energy efficiency of these products.

EPA received limited comments in response to the Final Draft specification, which resulted in some modest edits to the final specification, including clarifications in the definitions for Two-In-One Notebooks and Portable All-In-One Computers.

EPA looks forward to working with you as you certify and market your energy-efficient computers. If you have any questions or concerns about the specification or partnership process, please feel free to contact me at Meyers.Robert@epa.gov, or 202-343-9923, or John Clinger at ICF International at John.Clinger@icfi.com or 215-967-9407. For any questions related to the test method, please contact Jeremy Dommu, DOE, at Jeremy.Dommy@ee.doe.gov, or 202-586-9870.

Thank you for your continued support of ENERGY STAR.

Best Regards,

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