

Dear Televisions Partner or EPA-Recognized Certification Body:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has two important announcements regarding the Version 6.1 ENERGY STAR® Televisions Specification.

### **Number of Units Required for Testing**

For certification of televisions to Version 6.1 with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Televisions Final Rule (DOE Final Rule), manufacturing partners have the option to test and report measured data for one representative unit or multiple units per the sampling requirements as defined in 10 CFR § 429.25. The attached Version 6.1 ENERGY STAR Television Program Requirements incorporate this change which takes effect immediately. No other changes have been made to the Eligibility Criteria. Section 4.4 Number of Units Required for Testing of the product specification now reads:

- 4.4.2 One of the following sampling plans shall be used to test the Representative Model for ENERGY STAR certification:
- i. A representative unit shall be selected for testing as the Representative Model; or
  - ii. Units shall be selected for testing per the sampling requirements defined in 10 CFR § 429.25, which references 10 CFR § 429.11.

During verification testing, the CB will determine the number of units to test as outlined in [Directive 2011-04 Test Sample Sizes and Determining Testing Failures](#). This directive requires products to be tested for purposes of verification consistent with how they were tested for purposes of qualification.

### **Guidance for Submitting Version 6.1 Data to EPA**

For certification of televisions to Version 6.1 with the DOE Final Rule, attached are the finalized Televisions Version 6.1 updates to the existing Televisions Version 6 web service, marked in red. **It is the manufacturing partner's responsibility to ensure representations of their products are in accordance with the DOE Final Rule after April 23, 2014; therefore, if a television is tested to the DOE Final Rule, then the CB must collect relevant Version 6.1 data as outlined in the attached document.** EPA will inform CBs when the web service changes have been made in late April.

In the interim, CBs may submit Televisions Version 6.1 models using the existing Televisions Version 6 web service. For DOE Final Rule Reported Annual Energy Consumption (kWh), CBs may use the Estimated Annual Energy Use (kWh/year) field to submit data. **CBs must indicate in the "Notes field" that the television was tested using the DOE Final Rule Test Procedure for Television Sets.** For all other fields, when submitting Version 6.1 Televisions, CBs are required to collect information in the attached document. Once the web service for Version 6.1 is available, CBs are required to submit the Version 6.1 data for any televisions tested to the DOE Final Rule.

Please direct any questions regarding testing products or submitting data for Televisions Version 6.1 to [Certification@energystar.gov](mailto:Certification@energystar.gov).

Thank you for your continued support of ENERGY STAR.