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Dear ENERGY STAR® Computers Partner or Other Interested Stakeholder,

With this letter, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is releasing the Final Draft, Version 7.0 ENERGY STAR Computer specification. EPA thanks stakeholders for the feedback that they provided and has taken that feedback into consideration in developing this draft specification.

This final draft reflects significant engagement with stakeholders and strikes a reasonable balance across the numerous criteria that make up this specification. The modest adjustments to the base allowances proposed in the November 14, 2017 memo as well as the memory adder were retained. However, in response to stakeholder feedback, EPA adjusted the p-score boundary between notebook category 1 and 2 to allow those products with a p-score of 8 to meet the category 2 requirements. Significant comments were also received on the incorporation of mobile workstations into the specification. As such, EPA will collect data on these products with the intent of proposing energy efficiency criteria as part of a Version 7.1 to follow closely on the finalization of Version 7.0. In the interim, mobile workstations will continue to be eligible for certification under the notebook criteria. EPA also received comments regarding the full network connectivity definition and the requirements to obtain the full network connectivity mode weighting. These criteria were amended to more clearly indicate what manufacturers must do to use this mode weighting. Modest adjustments were also made to the workstation and full network connectivity definitions, the internal power supply requirements, and the international market certification section of the specification.

Stakeholders may submit any comments on this Final Draft specification to computers@energystar.gov no later than February 2, 2018. All comments will be posted to the ENERGY STAR Product Development website unless the submitter requests otherwise.

The exchange of ideas and information between EPA, industry, and other interested parties is critical to the success of ENERGY STAR. Specifications and meeting materials are distributed via email and posted on the ENERGY STAR website. To track EPA's progress on this specification, please visit the product development website at www.energystar.gov/revisedspecs and navigate to "Computers."

Please contact me at Fogle.Ryan@epa.gov or 202-343-9153 or John Clinger at John.Clinger@icf.com or 215-967-9407 with questions or concerns. For any other computer related questions, please contact computers@energystar.gov. Thank you for your continued support of the ENERGY STAR program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ryan Fogle".

Ryan Fogle
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