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Dear Commercial Solid Door Refrigerator and Freezer Manufacturer:

I am pleased to inform you that the specification for ENERGY STAR® labeled commercial solid door refrigerators and freezers has been finalized. Your valuable feedback and input throughout the development process has been integral to the design of the specification and is very much appreciated. Please note that EPA considers this specification to be final and has no further plans to revise it at this time.

We are very encouraged by the support the specification has received to date from manufacturers. By labeling commercial solid door refrigerators and freezers, you will be providing your customers with an easy way to protect the environment while saving money. Energy Star also presents a great opportunity for manufacturers, distributors, government, and other stakeholders to work together towards a common goal—to sell more energy efficient commercial solid door refrigerators and freezers.

Enclosed please find a customized Partnership Agreement which provides both the partner commitments and the energy efficient specification for commercial solid door refrigerators and freezers. This Agreement need only be signed once. After that, you can update or expand your participation into other product areas, as appropriate, by completing the ENERGY STAR Commitment Form. Please return the signed Partnership Agreement to ENERGY STAR (please see the enclosed Instructions for Partnering with ENERGY STAR for details).

ENERGY STAR plans to launch the new commercial solid door refrigerator and freezer specification at the National Association of Food Equipment Manufacturers (NAFEM) show in Orlando, Florida on September 7-10, 2001. **Any company that joins ENERGY STAR between now and August 24, 2001 will be eligible to participate in all promotional and marketing activities at NAFEM, irrespective of whether the company has qualified products.** Your suggestions and support are appreciated.

To familiarize you with the contents of the Partnership Agreement, the following is a list of partner commitments:

- Comply with current product Eligibility Criteria (i.e. the energy efficient specifications)
- Comply with current ENERGY STAR Logo Use Guidelines (located on the ENERGY STAR Web site at www.energystar.gov/library)
- Qualify at least one ENERGY STAR labeled commercial solid door refrigerator or freezer model within one year of activating the Partnership Agreement
- Provide clear and consistent labeling of ENERGY STAR qualified commercial solid door refrigerators and freezers
- Provide to EPA, on an annual basis, an updated list of ENERGY STAR qualifying commercial solid door refrigerator and freezer models
- Provide to EPA, on an annual basis, unit shipment data of those commercial solid door refrigerators and freezers qualified as ENERGY STAR (data will be masked by EPA to protect the confidentiality of the partner)
- Notify EPA of a change in the designated responsible party or contact for commercial solid door refrigerators and freezers within 30 days





If your company is interested in joining ENERGY STAR for Commercial Solid Door Refrigerators and Freezers and you have any questions about the Partnership Agreement, please contact me at (202) 564-9124 or schmeltz.rachel@epa.gov.

Finally, thank you again for your input throughout the eligibility criteria development process. I look forward to an ongoing relationship that will benefit your company, consumers, and the environment.

Regards,

Rachel Schmeltz

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