

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460



OFFICE OF  
AIR AND RADIATION

May 16, 2003

Dear ENERGY STAR<sup>®</sup> Office Equipment Partner:

You recently received a letter from me announcing the availability of the new ENERGY STAR marks and Identity Guidelines. Since this letter caused some confusion among the office equipment partners who received it, I wanted to clarify that our previous guidance on when the new marks should be phased in remains unchanged.

Since the new marks will not be recognized by the European Union countries until our agreement with them is changed, we do not expect to see the new mark on office equipment products until some time in 2005. Office equipment manufacturers who wish to use the new mark on a qualifying product that is not shipped to Europe are free to do so at any time. In the interim, we encourage you to use the line-art version of the old logo on your qualifying office equipment products, since it most closely resembles the new mark. Despite all this, we would encourage you to take a look at the new Identity Guidelines, which provide useful information in terms of the future direction ENERGY STAR is pursuing.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ann Bailey".

Ann Bailey  
Director, ENERGY STAR Product Labeling