

ENERGY STAR PARTNER MEETING

ENERGY STAR Partner and Industry Meeting, December 5, 2002, Washington, DC

At the request of industry and several trade associations, EPA hosted an ENERGY STAR Partner and Industry Meeting in Washington, DC to discuss ENERGY STAR program developments. Trade associations represented include the Information Technology Industry Council (ITIC), the Electronic Industries Alliance (EIA), and the National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA). Partners representing a range of ENERGY STAR product areas (e.g., office equipment, consumer electronics, lighting and HVAC) were in attendance. An attendee list and electronic copies of presentations are available on the ENERGY STAR web site at...

<http://www.energystar.gov/productdevelopment>

The following action items were identified during the meeting held on **December 5, 2002**. Please note many of these activities are on-going as part of ENERGY STAR's product specification development process and communications and marketing outreach.

EPA will report on progress against these action items at the next relevant partner meeting, anticipated to be a monitor specification development meeting in April, 2003. In the mean time, updates on these activities can typically be found by consulting the ENERGY STAR Program web site at www.energystar.gov. In addition, EPA staff will continue to regularly update Partners regarding the complete scope of ENERGY STAR activities. As always, please contact EPA or DOE staff if you have further questions regarding these topics.

Product Marketing and National Promotion Updates

EPA will

- learn more about CEC's appliance labeling activities
- include ENERGY STAR lighting in 2003 Back-to-School outreach

Specification Development Process

EPA will

- complement on-going decision rational with interim memos during the specification setting process
- highlight data that are used as the basis for decisions
- re-issue ENERGY STAR specification setting criteria/principles

- outline a more detailed explanation of the process for considering active power
- continue to share EU input to specification development process on an ongoing basis
- continue to explore with industry ways in which OE specifications might accommodate subsequent product enhancements that require additional energy
- work to avoid unintended consequences in addressing LCD and CRT monitors in the specification setting process
- explore the opportunity for energy savings associated with task lighting in commercial buildings

Logo/Brand Evolution

EPA will

- explore setting a firm date for final transition to the new logo
- distribute draft logo use guidelines to industry for comment (January)
- explore an alternative to cyan for on screen applications (e.g. 3 shades darker to allow for true image on screen)

Partnership Agreement

EPA will

- provide a response to industry suggestions for flexible labeling strategies
- clarify requirements for unit shipment data submission to be for US market only
- evaluate product-specific issues associated with ending grand fathering
- establish and disseminate rules for listing (and removing) product models from the ENERGY STAR qualifying product list

Maintaining Program Integrity

EPA will

- continue product testing initiative and support for PEARL

Improvements ENERGY STAR web site

EPA will

- include options to submit bulk qualified product lists
- coordinate with FEMP to evaluate possible database integration
- determine whether all computer configurations and models or only base models should be submitted
- enhance “official” look of QPL offered to consumers on energystar.gov