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Dear Commercial Solid Door Refrigerator and Freezer Manufacturers and Other Interested Parties:

Attached for your review is the final draft of the eligibility criteria for commercial solid door refrigerators and freezers. Changes in this final draft, in large part, directly result from feedback received from manufacturers and others since presentation of the first draft in May 2001. Your valuable input throughout the development process has been integral to the design of robust criteria and is very much appreciated. You will have one week to review and comment on this draft. Please submit any feedback/comments to Art Werner (The Cadmus Group, Inc., contractor to EPA) at awerner@cadmusgroup.com by July 27, 2001. Comments received by this date will be considered in finalizing the eligibility criteria, expected to be completed by the beginning of August.

In addition to editorial changes, substantive changes made to first draft include:

- The description of qualifying products was changed to specify hinged, solid doors.
- The description of qualifying products was changed so that the number of doors is not specified.
- Initial product temperature was replaced with the ASHRAE 117 integrated average product temperature.
- The tolerance for specified product temperatures was changed to plus or minus two degrees
- References to maximum product temperature were deleted.

EPA plans to circulate the Partnership Agreement to all interested manufacturers in mid August 2001. To familiarize you with the new Agreement, the following is a brief list of the partner commitments:

- Comply with current eligibility criteria.
- Comply with current Logo Use Guidelines.
- Qualify at least one ENERGY STAR labeled commercial solid door refrigerator or freezer model within one year of activating the agreement.
- 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 or if you have any questions about the Partnership Agreement, please contact me at (202) 564-9124 or schmeltz.rachel@epa.gov.

EPA has begun its preparations for the launch in September 2001 at the National Association of Food Equipment Manufacturers (NAFEM) show in Orlando, Florida. Any company that joins the Program between now and the 2001 NAFEM show 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.



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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