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On behalf of the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) I am pleased to provide our comments on the EPA Energy Star Draft 4 Energy Specification for Single voltage external ac-dc and acac power supplies (the "Draft 4 Specification"). AHAM supports the changes incorporated into the Draft 4 Specification that exclude battery charger systems found in household appliances until a more appropriate test method and specification can be developed.

The Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) is not-for-profit trade association representing manufacturers of major, portable and floor care home appliances, and suppliers to the industry and is headquartered in Washington, D.C. Our manufacturers include companies located both in the United States and around the world. AHAM's Supplier Division represents companies who manufacture components and materials as well as deliver services to our industry.

AHAM looks forward to working with EPA Energy Star over the coming year to develop a battery charger test procedure and specification that will most appropriately measure the energy consumed by these products.