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Dear Andrew

Comments on Proposed New Energy Star Specifications for Imaging Technology

The Australian Greenhouse Office (AGO) welcomes the opportunity to comment on the new specifications for Imaging Technology. This endorses comments made at the Washington meetings in March 2005.

The AGO supports in full the proposed development of the new specifications, and in particular, the inclusion of 'active' mode requirements for some products.

It is the intention of the AGO to adopt the new Energy Star specifications for Imaging Equipment as the local 'high efficiency' level to be promoted on the procurement website, Energy Allstars.

At the urging of product manufacturers and suppliers of globally traded products, Australia and other countries have made substantial efforts to harmonise test methods and performance levels in recent years. The development of international specifications and test method for external power supplies is one example. However we are concerned that further delays in finalizing the new Imaging Technology specifications may jeopardize further harmonisation efforts.

We therefore would like to encourage Energy Star to resolve the outstanding issues as soon as possible, and to publish the final specification not later than the end of 2005.

Yours sincerely

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