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This message is being sent to you on behalf of EPA and DOE's ENERGY STAR® program.

Dear ENERGY STAR Imaging Equipment Stakeholder:

Thank you for your continuing support and feedback during the revision of the ENERGY STAR imaging equipment specifications. This letter is intended to give you an update on the status of this process.

Over the last few weeks, EPA has been carefully reviewing and considering the comments and test data received from stakeholders in response to the final draft Typical Electricity Consumption (TEC) test procedure, distributed on April 15, 2005. EPA will release the final TEC test procedure within the next two weeks along with accompanying rationale and instructions for full-scale testing. The rationale will provide a detailed overview of the EPA decisions upon which the final TEC test procedure will be based, including the three key elements highlighted below:

1. Based on the test data received, which did not strongly support the introduction of a color test pattern or job, the TEC test procedure will continue to call for monochrome-only testing;
2. While the TEC test procedure will not require a specific default-to-sleep time or recovery time, EPA will reintroduce the incremental recovery time measurement to monitor these values; and
3. The international voltage/frequency combinations outlined in the Test Conditions document will be reduced to three, possibly four, combinations, in response to ongoing discussions with EPA's ENERGY STAR country partners.

As mentioned in the update sent to stakeholders on May 20, 2005, EPA has slightly revised the ENERGY STAR imaging equipment specification revision timeline to accommodate recent requests for meetings with EPA and to facilitate a thorough review of comments submitted. Please note that the date for finalization of the specification has not changed.

**Next Steps and Timeline:**

EPA distributes final TEC test procedure and asks industry to begin full testing – Week of July 4  
EPA releases first draft specification, with no power or energy levels – July  
Deadline for submitting comments on Definitions and Terminology – August 1  
EPA distributes final draft OM test procedure – August  
Deadline for updating OM data through OPS using existing MOU test procedures – September 1  
Deadline for comments on first draft specification – September  
EPA distributes final OM test procedure – September  
Industry meeting, exact date TBD – October  
Deadline for submission of final TEC data – November 1  
EPA distributes second draft specification with power and energy levels – December  
Industry meeting, exact date TBD – January 2006  
Deadline for comments on second draft specification – February 2006  
Final specification – March 2006  
Specification effective date – March 2007

Thank you again for your continuing support during the ENERGY STAR Imaging Equipment specification development process. Any questions or comments may be directed to Andrew Fanara, EPA, at [fanara.andrew@epa.gov](mailto:fanara.andrew@epa.gov) or +1-202-343-9019.

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