Dear Ms. Schmeltz:

I believe that Manufacturers of Air Conditioning Equipment turn out an excellent product which "if Installed Correctly by Contractors" will provide Comfort and Energy Efficiency as Stated in their Literature.

I am greatly disturbed by Residential Installations in my home state which is Florida and suggest that an independent third party be used to Certify a "System as Energy Star Compliant". I cannot comment on Installation Practices in other states but assume they have similar problems to those in Florida.

I also believe that the Government should not be the party Setting the Standard for Installation/Energy Star Compliance. A Coalition made up of Government, Manufacturers and Contractor Associations should be involved in setting the Standards and Installation Practices that should be followed for a System to receive the Energy Star Rating.

As a member of Air Conditioning Contractors of America (ACCA) I feel strongly that our Association should be among those Developing these Standards.

Sincerely,

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