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Subject: Cisco/SA comments regarding Draft 3 of the Energy Star STB Requirements

Dear Katharine,

On behalf of Cisco Systems and Scientific Atlanta, I would like to respond to the "ENERGY STAR® Program Requirements for Set-top Boxes, Draft 3 – Version 2.0" that was released on January 14, 2008. Cisco and Scientific Atlanta continue to appreciate the opportunity to provide input and participate in the EPA's process to develop the ENERGY STAR program for set-top boxes.

The comments below echo the three key issues that I had the opportunity to mention during the recent stakeholder meeting held in Washington, DC.

- A) With the migration to set-top models that utilize DOCSIS as an out-of-band communication technology, we recommend an additional allowance be added for DOCSIS. We would request a value be allotted for DOCSIS in the 3 to 4 Watt range (~ 26-35kWh).
- B) Regarding home networking technology, we believe that an additional allowance needs to be added for both a DVR set-top box AND for a non-DVR set-top. Regardless of whether the technology is MoCA, 802.11x, or another yet-to-be-defined technology, both set-tops on the end of a point-to-point connection in the home require this technology to share video content. We recommend a 4 Watt (~ 35kWh) adder for this home networking technology.
- C) Again, we would like to express concern for the drop in the DVR Tier 1 allowance from Draft 2 to Draft 3 by 23kWh. The rationale for this radical decline in the allowance remains unclear, and as such, we strongly believe that the DVR Tier 1 allowance should remain 83kWh.

Thank you for your continued dialogue with the industry stakeholders in the development of the Energy Star program for set-top boxes.

Sincerely,

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