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## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460



## OFFICE OF AIR AND RADIATION

Dear ENERGY STAR® Partners:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to share the <u>2022 ENERGY STAR Products</u> <u>Specification Development Plan</u>. The ENERGY STAR Product Labeling Program identifies and promotes products that reduce greenhouse gas emissions by meeting the highest energy efficiency specifications across more than 75 product categories. Each year, EPA identifies ENERGY STAR product specifications that warrant revision. When resources allow, the Agency also considers new product categories to add to the portfolio. EPA weighs many considerations when flagging specifications for revision, including market penetration of ENERGY STAR certified models, changes in Federal minimum efficiency standards, and technological advancements. New product categories must deliver meaningful national savings while maintaining their intended performance and efficiency must be able to be tested and verified.

In 2021, EPA completed revisions to ENERGY STAR specifications for residential water heaters, central air conditioning and air source heat pumps, water coolers, and small network equipment as well as expanded the scope in ENERGY STAR specifications for residential clothes washers and refrigerators, imaging equipment, and electric vehicle supply equipment.

In 2022, EPA plans to make progress on revisions across 15 product types through its traditional open and transparent specification development process. The Agency also plans to initiate specifications for two new product types. You will find the <a href="2022 ENERGY STAR Products Specification Development Plan">2022 ENERGY STAR Products Specification Development Plan</a> as well as <a href="Quarterly Updates">Quarterly Updates</a> to this plan on the ENERGY STAR Partner Resources page.

Thank you for your support of ENERGY STAR. If you have any questions about this plan, please contact me, Katharine Kaplan, at kaplan.katharine@epa.gov and (202) 343-9120.

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