

# 2014 Verification Testing CB Webinar

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#### Overview



- Maintaining Accurate Lists
- Updating contact information
- 2014 Verification Testing
- Product submissions

## **Maintaining Accurate Lists**



- <u>Directive 2011-06</u> All unique models on EPA's qualified products lists (QPLs) - products currently available for sale in the U.S. - are candidates for verification testing.
- For select appliance products, manufacturers may opt to participate in the AHAM verification testing program. These products should not be included in the count of unique models eligible for the CBs verification testing.
- Important to establish a relationship with the brand owner/partner even when being paid by the OEM.
  - Partner is ultimately responsible for verification testing.
  - Product information such as SKUs, UPC codes, other model names may only be known by the partner.
  - Partner will know when the product is no longer available and should therefore no longer be listed.

## **Updating Contact Information**

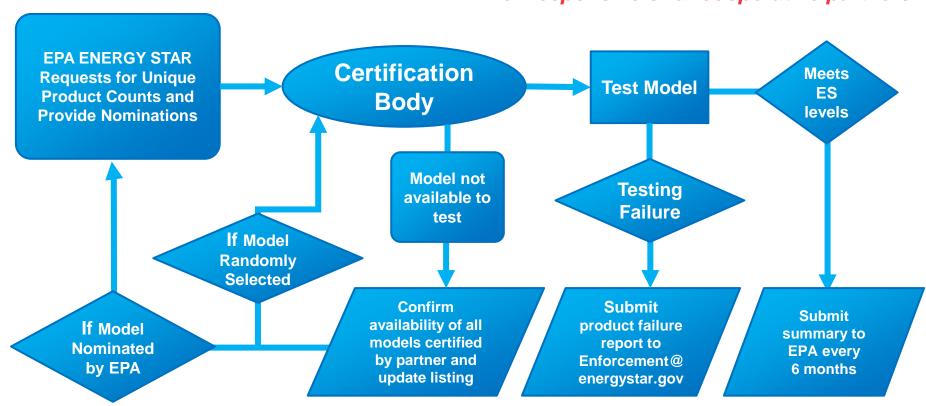


- When updating lists recommended at least annually ensure you have the correct contacts for both certification and verification issues.
- When partners are unresponsive, contact EPA immediately to try to reconnect.
  - For verification testing purposes, notify EPA regarding unresponsive partners for 2014 testing no later than October 1, 2014.
  - Also notify EPA if partners are unresponsive to any other request (e.g., providing an updated list of available products).

## **2014 Verification Testing**



Work with EPA to resolve issues with unresponsive or uncooperative partners



#### 2014 Verification Testing (continued)



- EPA will provide nominations by February 2014 for all product categories except:
  - Imaging March 2014, Lamps Fall 2014
  - SNE, Servers, Commercial Ovens, Water Coolers when CBs have more than 10 unique models in the category
- CBs should not conduct 2014 verification testing for data center storage, LED lamps and CFLs, or BCS.
- CBs should apply the 10% cap per manufacturer for CFS products.

#### **Product Submissions**



- Report accurate and complete product data on certified products to EPA using XML-based web services per Conditions and Criteria for Recognition of Certification Bodies
  - Notify EPA of delays in submissions due to web services or other reasons
  - Check listings to make sure products are listed correctly and work with EPA to resolve issues
  - Ensure that all interim products were transferred to EPA via XML

#### Questions



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