UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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OFFICE OF AIR AND RADIATION

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Dear ENERGY STAR® Small Network Equipment Stakeholder or Other Interested Party:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) welcomes your input on the attached Final Draft Version 1.0 ENERGY STAR Small Network Equipment (SNE) Specification and associated documents. The documents include a draft of the SNE qualified product exchange (QPX) data entry template for review. Comments on both the Final Draft and SNE QPX template are due to EPA **no later than August 12, 2013.**

This draft incorporates input received from stakeholders in response to the ENERGY STAR SNE Draft 3 Specification. Questions and important discussion topics are highlighted in note boxes located throughout the draft specification. Minor key changes were made to clarify definitions, excluded products, and testing guidance.

EPA anticipates finalizing the SNE Specification by September 1, 2013 at which time it would become effective and products can begin being certified to the specification. Please note that to earn ENERGY STAR certification manufacturers must have their products third-party certified by an EPA-recognized Certification Body (CB) to the Version 1.0 requirements.

Stakeholders are encouraged to review the attached documents and send comments to networking@energystar.gov no later than August 12, 2013. For further information on specification development activities to date, visit the ENERGY STAR Product Development Web site at www.energystar.gov/NewSpecs and follow the link for "Small Network Equipment Version 1.0."

Thank you for your continued support of the ENERGY STAR program. Stakeholder participation is critical to developing a meaningful specification and to the overall success of the ENERGY STAR program. Please feel free to contact me at (202) 343-9024 or Song.una@epa.gov; or John Clinger, ICF International, at (215) 967-9407 or John.Clinger@icfi.com with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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