



Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

September 2, 2010

Ms. Katharine Kaplan
ENERGY STAR Program
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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Washington, DC 20460

Dear Ms. Kaplan:

On July 29, 2010, the United States Department of Energy (DOE) notified Whirlpool Corporation that DOE testing of one unit of the Amana dishwasher model ASD2524VE*, performed as part of the ENERGY STAR Verification Testing Pilot Program, showed that this model exceeded allowable ENERGY STAR efficiency requirements by 9.2 percent during Stage I testing. DOE gave Whirlpool until August 9, 2010, to request testing of additional units so that DOE could statistically determine whether this model meets the ENERGY STAR requirements or to have this matter referred to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

In a letter dated August 9, 2010, Whirlpool responded stating that it did not believe that additional testing was warranted because Whirlpool no longer manufactures model ASD2524VE*. Furthermore, Whirlpool stated that it had shipped 233 units of this model in the last six (6) months and that it is being closed out of all retail locations. Because Whirlpool has permanently discontinued this model and there is little to no inventory remaining, DOE believes that further testing would be impracticable.

DOE is therefore referring this matter to EPA, the brand manager for ENERGY STAR, for appropriate action.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "SCOTT HARRIS". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping "S" and a small circle above the "H".

Scott Blake Harris
General Counsel

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