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July 22, 2026

Mr. Michael Sangaline
Senior Advisor
U.S. Department of Energy

**Re: Carrier Corporation
Ex Parte Communication, DOE NOPR EERE-2025-BT-STD-0001; RIN 1904-AF72**

Dear Mr. Sangaline:

Carrier Corporation ("Carrier") is providing this memorandum pursuant to the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE")'s guidance on ex parte communications (74 Fed. Reg. 52795, Oct. 14, 2009).

On July 16, 2026, the Carrier representatives listed below met in person with staff from the DOE and discussed the streamlined process proposed in the DOE's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking related to **Energy Conservation Program: Procedures, Interpretations, and Policies for Consideration of New or Revised Energy Conservation Standards and Test Procedures for Consumer Products and Certain Commercial/Industrial Equipment filed July 6, 2026, 91 Fed. Reg. 42034 (July, 7, 2026)** (the "Proposed Rule"), including providing input regarding potential challenges such approach may pose for USA manufacturers, contractors and consumers. During that meeting, Carrier advised DOE staff that it supports the majority of the Proposed Rule's process and appreciates the DOE's efforts to establish a more transparent, predictable, and disciplined process for developing appliance efficiency standards. Carrier also advised DOE staff, however, that it is concerned that the Proposed Rule requirements do not apply to deregulatory actions. This could lead to unintended consequences and potential challenges for USA manufacturers, contractors and consumers.

Meeting attendees were the following:

Representing DOE:
Michael Sangaline
Joseph Bradley

Representing Carrier:
Clarence Tong
Pat Riley
Sneh Kumar

Thank you for your time last week. If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact me at clarence.tong@carrier.com.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Clarence Tong".

Clarence Tong
Head, U.S. Federal Government Relations