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RE:

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RIN Number 1904-AC@#

Dear Dan:

During a discussion on Wednesday May 25, 2011 between NEMA Lighting Division members and DOE staff to discuss the DOE's certification and enforcement program, a NEMA member, Cheryl English of Acuity Brands, Inc., made some comments relevant to NEMA's May 19, 2011 request for an extension of the effective date for the CCE Rule as it applies to metal halide lamp ballasts and fixtures that were not part of NEMA's May 19, 2011 letter. This letter is to disclose the substance of that ex parte communication.

Ms. English expressed the following additional point. If metal halide luminaire manufacturers are compelled to remove products from distribution in commerce by July 5, 2011 because they are not able to comply with the CCE Rule for the reasons stated in NEMA's letter of May 19, 2011, a problem is created with respect existing orders and contracts that have been in place for many months. The luminaire manufacturers are unable to modify their order systems in time to restrict the sale of products that cover the breadth of metal halide luminaires.

Very truly yours,

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