



Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

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Ms. Leslie Jones
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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Dear Ms. Jones:

On September 21, 2010, the United States Department of Energy (DOE) notified Danby that DOE had tested Danby air conditioner model DAC10507EE as part of the ENERGY STAR Testing Pilot Program, and that, according to DOE's testing, this model exceeded allowable ENERGY STAR energy-efficiency requirements by 9.3 percent. DOE gave Danby until October 1, 2010 to request additional testing or have this matter referred to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for disqualification from the ENERGY STAR program.

On September 30, Danby notified DOE that its air conditioner model DAC10507EE is an out of production model manufactured by Samsung. Danby forwarded DOE's notification to Samsung representatives. On October 1, 2010, the companies requested additional testing of this model, but notified DOE that this model had limited availability. Subsequently, on October 12, 2010, a Samsung representative sent an email to DOE requesting that Danby air conditioner model DAC10507EE be removed from the ENERGY STAR product list.

Accordingly, DOE is referring this matter to EPA, the brand manager for ENERGY STAR, for appropriate action. EPA may also wish to identify whether the Samsung manufactured model at issue is being sold as an ENERGY STAR model by private labelers other than Danby. Please feel free to contact Laura Barhydt of my staff at 202-287-5772 should you require any further information.

Sincerely,

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