



Department of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

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Ms. Leslie Jones
ENERGY STAR Program
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Room 62023
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Ms. Jones:

On January 19, 2011, the United States Department of Energy (DOE) notified Midea USA Inc. (Midea) that DOE had completed testing of the Westpointe brand room air conditioner model MWF-08CR as part of the ENERGY STAR Testing Pilot Program, and that the testing demonstrated this unit exceeded allowable ENERGY STAR energy-efficiency requirements. DOE gave Midea until February 9, 2011, to provide conclusive manufacturing or design evidence or quality assurance information on why DOE testing showed that this product did not meet the ENERGY STAR Program's energy-efficiency specifications. As of today, Midea has not responded.

DOE has determined that Midea- manufactured, Westpointe brand room air conditioner model MWF-08CR does not meet the ENERGY STAR requirements. Accordingly, DOE is referring this matter to EPA, the brand manager for ENERGY STAR, for appropriate action. Please feel free to contact Laura Barhydt, Acting Assistant General Counsel for Enforcement, at 202-287-5772 should you require any further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Lynch", is written over a horizontal line.

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