May 6, 2013

VIA EMAIL

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

Dear Ms. Steele:

The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") selected an Emerson-brand refrigerator, model CR289E, for testing as part of DOE's ENERGY STAR[®] Verification Testing Program. On October 24, 2012, DOE notified Emerson Radio Corporation ("Emerson") that the model did not meet the ENERGY STAR specification for maximum permitted annual energy use.

Emerson replied to, and later met with, DOE representatives to discuss DOE's results. DOE determined that one of the tested units may have been damaged, and therefore obtained and tested a replacement unit.

Based on DOE's test results for three original units and the replacement unit, DOE has determined that Emerson-brand model CR289E does not meet the relevant ENERGY STAR specification. Accordingly, DOE is referring this matter to the Environmental Protection Agency, the brand manager for ENERGY STAR.

Please feel free to contact me at laura.barhydt@hq.doe.gov should you require any further information.

Sincerely,

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