



## Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

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VIA EMAIL

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

Dear Ms. Jones:

Electrolux Home Products, Inc. (Electrolux) refrigerator-freezer model EW26SS70I\* was selected for testing as part of the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) ENERGY STAR® Verification Testing Pilot Program.

DOE's initial testing, performed on a unit of this model, indicated that it may not meet ENERGY STAR requirements. After testing four additional units of this model, and finding that each exceeded the maximum permitted annual energy usage, DOE asked Electrolux to provide conclusive manufacturing or design evidence or quality assurance information on why this product should be viewed as meeting the ENERGY STAR Program's energy efficiency requirement. On July 22, 2011, Electrolux responded by notifying DOE that Electrolux is no longer making the model available for sale. According to Electrolux, the model has not been manufactured since February, 2011, and no units are remaining in Electrolux inventory or retail partner inventory. Additionally, Electrolux states that the unit has been removed from the ENERGY STAR website.

DOE has determined that Electrolux refrigerator model number EW26SS70I\* does not meet the ENERGY STAR requirements. Accordingly, DOE is referring this matter to the EPA, which is the brand manager for ENERGY STAR. Please feel free to contact Laura Barhydt of my staff at 202-287-5772 should you require any further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Lynch".

Timothy G. Lynch  
Deputy General Counsel for  
Litigation and Enforcement

