

## **Department of Energy**

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SUBJECT: REVIEW OF ACTIONS OF THE PRIOR

**ADMINISTRATION** 

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RENEWABLE ENERGY



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On January 20, 2021, President Biden issued Executive Order 13990 "Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crisis." The Executive Order directs the heads of all agencies to immediately review all existing regulations, orders, guidance documents, policies, and any other similar agency actions promulgated, issued, or adopted between January 20, 2017, and January 20, 2021, that are or may be inconsistent with, or present obstacles to, the policy set forth in section 1 of the Executive Order. The Executive Order directs that for any such actions identified by the agencies, the heads of the agencies shall, as appropriate and consistent with applicable law, consider suspending, revising, or rescinding the agency actions.

At the direction of the Acting Secretary of Energy, the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) reviewed relevant documents and provides this preliminary list of EERE actions being considered pursuant to section 2(a) of Executive Order 13990:

- 1. "Energy Conservation Program for Appliance Standards: Energy Conservation Standards for Residential Furnaces and Commercial Water Heaters," 86 Fed. Reg. 4776 (January 15, 2021).
- 2. "Energy Conservation Program for Appliance Standards: Energy Conservation Standards for Residential Furnaces and Commercial Water Heaters; Withdrawal," 86 Fed. Reg. 3873 (January 15, 2021).
- 3. "Energy Conservation Program: Establishment of New Product Classes for Residential Clothes Washers and Consumer Clothes Dryers," 85 Fed. Reg. 81359

- (December 16, 2020).
- 4. "Energy Conservation Program: Definition of Showerhead," 85 Fed. Reg. 81341 (December 16, 2020).
- 5. "Test Procedure Interim Waiver Process," 85 Fed. Reg. 79802 (December 11, 2020).
- 6. "Energy Conservation Program: Establishment of a New Product Class for Residential Dishwashers," 85 Fed. Reg. 68723 (October 30, 2020).
- 7. "Energy Conservation Program for Appliance Standards: Procedures for Evaluating Statutory Factors for Use in New or Revised Energy Conservation Standards," 85 Fed. Reg. 50937 (August 19, 2020).
- 8. "Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Cooking Products," 85 Fed. Reg. 50757 (August 18, 2020).
- 9. "Energy Conservation Program for Appliance Standards: Procedures for Use in New or Revised Energy Conservation Standards and Test Procedures for Consumer Products and Commercial/Industrial Equipment," 85 Fed. Reg. 8626 (February 14, 2020).
- 10. "Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for General Service Incandescent Lamps," 84 Fed. Reg. 71626 (December 27, 2019).
- 11. "Final Determination Regarding Energy Efficiency Improvements in the 2018 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC)," 84 Fed. Reg. 67435 (December 10, 2019).
- 12. "Energy Conservation Program: Definition for General Service Lamps," 84 Fed. Reg. 46661 (September 5, 2019).
- 13. "Final Determination Regarding Energy Efficiency Improvements in ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1–2016: Energy Standard for Buildings, Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings," 83 Fed. Reg. 8463 (February 27, 2018).