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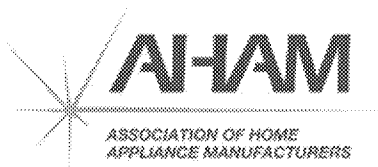
I wanted to follow up with you both from our last meeting on the ENERGY STAR program and the SNAP program. On the SNAP program, I wanted to highlight the petition below we just submitted to formally start the discussion (and hopefully process) to change the dates for prohibiting refrigerant and foam in residential refrigerator/freezers. I'll be in DC the week of February 5 and would welcome a meeting with you to continue to discuss this in more detail. Are you free anytime that week? Thanks for considering.

Regarding ENERGY STAR, we appreciate the effort with today's meeting to try to discuss some of the issues we have been raising for the past several years. During the meeting, we indicated that our primary goal in seeking to move the program from EPA to DOE for home appliances is to ensure the ENERGY STAR brand is consistent with federal minimum standards upon which it is built and to maximize resources instead of duplicating them within the federal government and among stakeholders. We discussed a number of areas in which AHAM sees duplication or inconsistencies, which are detailed in the attached document. We also discussed ways DOE, EPA, and we could work together now to try to minimize burden, including centralizing reporting and using the certification process at DOE for products that would also be subject to verification – a more robust process and less redundant. We also expressed our view that the program should be more transparent and should leverage DOE's analysis instead of duplicating or reevaluating it.

We look forward to continuing to work with you to discuss these two issues. They are both extremely important to the appliance industry and appreciate your time on them. Again, I hope you may have some time the week of February 5 to continue this work and discussion. Thanks again.

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Dear Assistant Administrator Wehrum:

Hope all is well there. Please find attached the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers' (AHAM) Petition to the Significant New Alternatives Policy Program (SNAP) on Refrigerant Transition for Household Refrigeration Products. AHAM is requesting EPA's Office of Stratospheric Protection Division, SNAP program amend two rules to modify the transition deadlines for alternative substances for refrigerants and foam blowing agents in household refrigerators and freezers products consistent with the industry's agreement.

Please let me know if you have any questions.
Thank you,
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