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To: Television Manufacturers and Retailers

From: Peter Strait, Branch Manager Appliances Branch, Efficiency Division California Energy Commission 715 P Street Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: Indoor Television and Signage Displays, Return to Standard Certification Requirements and Related Actions

To all affected or interested parties,

On September 22, 2023, the California Energy Commission (CEC) issued a regulatory advisory for indoor televisions and signage displays notifying affected persons of temporary changes to certification requirements. The advisory stated the CEC would update state data reporting requirements to align with the new federal test procedure, update its database system (the Modernized Appliance Efficiency Database System, or MAEDbS) to allow submission of these data, and begin a process for a future standards-setting rulemaking.

The CEC is ending the temporary changes to certification requirements described in the prior advisory, effective August 28, 2024. Submission of test data into the MAEDbS under the category of "Federally Tested Televisions (FTTV)" is now required for indoor televisions being sold or offered for sale in California. The test and list requirement applies to all indoor televisions at least fifteen inches in diagonal screen size and above, as defined in Appendix H to Subpart B of Part 430 in Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations¹.

This update harmonizes the collection requirements of Title 20 §1600 with the new federal test method and submission of data in this new category is necessary for compliance with the requirements of Title 20. Models submitted to the MAEDbS under the category of "Federally Tested Televisions (FTTV)" prior to August 28, 2024 will be archived at the end of the calendar year, December 31, 2024. The models that are archived will need to be resubmitted to the MAEDbS with the complete set of data generated by the new federal test. Models outside the scope of the federal test procedure and subject to California regulations, including signage displays, televisions designed for outdoor use, and television monitors, are required to continue testing using the old test procedure as it appeared in 10 C.F.R. section 430 edition revised as of

¹ <u>eCFR :: 10 CFR Part 430 -- Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products</u>

January 1, 2023², submit the models to the MAEDbS in the category of televisions, and continue to meet the minimum performance standards applicable to those models.

Questions can be submitted to our call center via phone or email at:

Appliance Standards Call Center 916-651-7100/888-838-1467, toll-free in California <u>Appliances@energy.ca.gov</u>

² <u>eCFR :: 10 CFR Part 430 (Jan. 1, 2023) -- Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products</u>