

DOE Involvement in Consensus Negotiations for Energy Conservation Standards

June 25, 2010 - The Department of Energy is supportive of efforts by outside parties to reach consensus on energy conservation standards and test procedures that can be presented for consideration by the Department. To that end, the Department is happy to observe any such discussions and to offer its expertise to analyze proposals under consideration by outside parties. In particular, the Department will, upon request, run scenarios through the various models the Department has developed for its use in determining appropriate standards levels. The results of any analysis requested by outside parties will be made available publically on the Department's website. Please be aware, however, that neither the Department nor any of its contractors can: offer advice or suggestion on any standard or test procedure under consideration by outside parties; take a position on any standard or test procedure under consideration by outside parties; negotiate with outside parties; or participate in any way in discussions among outside parties.