NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 19 January 2023, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.

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**Title:** Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Dishwashers

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| **Reason for Addendum:** | |
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| [ ] | Notified measure adopted - date: |
| [X] | Notified measure published - date: 18 January 2023 |
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**Description:** TITLE: Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Dishwashers

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy

ACTION: Final rule

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") is amending the current [test procedures for dishwashers](https://www1.eere.energy.gov/buildings/appliance_standards/standards.aspx?productid=38&action=viewlive), adopting a new test procedure appendix, incorporating by reference [Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers ("AHAM")](https://www.aham.org/) standards--[AHAM DW-1-2020](https://www.aham.org/Search?SearchTerms=AHAM+DW-1-2020) and [DW-2-2020](https://www.aham.org/Search?SearchTerms=AHAM+DW-2-2020)--and applying certain provisions of the industry standards to the test procedures appendices. The amendments to the current appendix establish requirements for water hardness, relative humidity, and loading pattern; update requirements for ambient temperature, detergent dosage, and standby power measurement; and include testing approaches from published dishwasher waivers. The new test procedure appendix additionally includes provisions for a minimum cleaning index threshold to validate the selected test cycle and updated annual number of cycles and low-power mode hours for the calculation of annual energy consumption.

DATES: The effective date of this rule is 17 February 2023. The amendments to appendix C1 will be mandatory for product testing starting 17 July 2023. Manufacturers will be required to use the amended test procedure at appendix C1 until the compliance date of any final rule establishing amended energy conservation standards based on the newly established test procedure at appendix C2. At such time, manufacturers will be required to begin using the newly established test procedure at appendix C2. The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register on 17 February 2023.

This final rule and the notice of proposed rulemaking; request for comment notified as [G/TBT/N/USA/1817](https://eping.wto.org/en/Search?domainIds=1&documentSymbol=usa%2F1817) are identified by Docket Number EERE-2016-BT-TP-0012. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EERE-2016-BT-TP-0012/document> and provides access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from [Regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov/) by searching the Docket Number.

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1. This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)