



# STATE ENERGY EFFICIENT APPLIANCE REBATE PROGRAM



## Using Qualified Product Lists

To accurately award rebates for qualified products, States and their implementation contractors will need to utilize accurate lists of ENERGY STAR qualified products. Below is a summary of where to find the most up to date qualified product lists and tips for using the lists. For questions on qualified products, do not hesitate to contact [appliancerebates@drintl.com](mailto:appliancerebates@drintl.com).

### APPLIANCE AND WATER HEATER LISTS

#### *Overview*

The official listings of ENERGY STAR qualified appliances and water heaters are posted on the ENERGY STAR Web site, [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov). Manufacturers are required to submit information about their products for listing if they intend on marketing them as ENERGY STAR qualified. Complete lists for download are available in both Excel and CSV formats, and can be found on the individual product pages. (Quick links to the Excel lists are included in the table at the end of this document.)

It is also possible to check the qualification status of an individual appliance by clicking on the “Find a Model” button at the top of the right hand navigation bar on the ENERGY STAR appliance Web pages. This will launch a screen where you may enter information about the model of interest and search the qualified product database to see if it is listed. **The tool works best when only the first few characters of the model number are entered.**

#### *Frequency of Updates*

The appliance and water heater database is updated *in real time*. That is, as soon as a product is entered into the database, it appears on the qualified product lists and in searches. New information is added several times per week and a given month can see as many as 300 changes to the product lists. You can see when the list was last changed by reviewing the “last modified” date that appears in the upper left corner of the online qualified product lists. Please keep this in mind if you intend to develop a verification process that pulls the list from the ENERGY STAR Web site occasionally: the further out of date the list is, the more likely it is to be missing the most recent updates.

#### *Wildcards*

The full model number for an appliance typically includes characters that relate to non-energy aspects of a model, such as color. The official ENERGY STAR product lists only include the base model with the non-energy features represented by wildcards such as #, \*, and +.

#### *Tiers*

Many states are rebating products at efficiency levels higher than ENERGY STAR, or are providing tiered rebates for progressively more efficient products. The simplest way to generate a list of products at the efficiency level you are interested in is to download the Excel spreadsheet and sort on the appropriate efficiency metric. For example, to generate a list of products that meet CEE’s Tier 2 clothes washer level, sort by MEF and eliminate models less than 2.00, then sort by WF and eliminate models greater than 6.0.

### *Discontinued Models*

Models that appear in **parenthesis and red** or in **italics and red** are ENERGY STAR qualified models that have been discontinued by the manufacturer. These models are still ENERGY STAR qualified but are no longer in production. The discontinued models may still be available in stores as it takes time for some models to work their way through the retail chain. As a result, the ENERGY STAR program leaves discontinued models on the qualified lists for up to a year after their last production date.

### *Specification Changes and Previously Qualified Models*

When new ENERGY STAR efficiency specifications take effect, some existing models no longer qualify. The most recent appliance specification changes took place last summer (i.e., July 1, 2009 for clothes washers and August 11, 2009 for dishwashers). Retailers were allowed a three-month grace period to promote the previously qualified models as ENERGY STAR. While the grace period is over for both products, it is possible that some of these “previously qualified” models may still have manufacturer-affixed messaging or labels indicating they are ENERGY STAR qualified (e.g., product stickers, EnergyGuide labels, etc.). To ease consumer confusion during these transitions, the ENERGY STAR program posts spreadsheets on the “Find a Model” search pages that list all products that met the previous criteria but not the current criteria.

The only criteria change currently scheduled during the SEEARP timeframe is gas storage water heaters (September 1, 2010). EPA has yet to announce details about the grace period for this transition.

### *De-listed Models*

Occasionally the ENERGY STAR program will de-list certain products due to product testing and compliance issues. This situation rarely occurs. In the event that it does happen, partners are notified via e-mail blast.

## **HVAC LISTS**

HVAC qualified product lists can be found on the ENERGY STAR Web site in either Excel or PDF format. Qualified product lists for all HVAC product categories are updated twice a month and posted to the ENERGY STAR Web site on or about the first and fifteenth of each month.

For central air conditioners and air-source heat pumps, States should utilize the separate searchable database at [www.ceedirectory.org](http://www.ceedirectory.org). This directory is a joint effort between the Consortium for Energy Efficiency (CEE) and the Air-conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI), and includes models that meet or exceed the ENERGY STAR efficiency levels. Only those models produced by manufacturers that are members of AHRI are listed in this database. The separate list of air-source heat pumps and central air conditioners on the ENERGY STAR Web site includes the models offered by non-AHRI members.

The CEE/AHRI database allows the user to search for all ENERGY STAR qualified models, or to select only CEE Tier 1, Tier 2, or Tier 3 models.

**DOWNLOADING PRODUCT LISTS**

<b>Product</b>	<b>Quick Link to Excel Product List</b>
Clothes Washers	<a href="http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=clotheswash.display_products_excel">http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=clotheswash.display_products_excel</a>
Dishwashers	<a href="http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=dishwash.display_products_excel">http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=dishwash.display_products_excel</a>
Freezers	<a href="http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=freezers.display_products_excel">http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=freezers.display_products_excel</a>
Refrigerators	<a href="http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=refrig.display_products_excel">http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=refrig.display_products_excel</a>
Room AC	<a href="http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=roomac.display_products_excel">http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=roomac.display_products_excel</a>
Dehumidifiers	<a href="http://downloads.energystar.gov/bi/qplist/dehumid_prod_list.xls">http://downloads.energystar.gov/bi/qplist/dehumid_prod_list.xls</a>
Gas Storage Water Heaters	<a href="http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=gas_storage.display_products_excel">http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=gas_storage.display_products_excel</a>
Gas Tankless Water Heaters	<a href="http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=gas_tankless.display_products_excel">http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=gas_tankless.display_products_excel</a>
Heat Pump Water Heaters	<a href="http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=heat_pump.display_products_excel">http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=heat_pump.display_products_excel</a>
Solar Water Heaters	<a href="http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=solar_wheat.display_products_excel">http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=solar_wheat.display_products_excel</a>
Oil and Gas Boilers	<a href="http://downloads.energystar.gov/bi/qplist/boilers_prod_list.xls">http://downloads.energystar.gov/bi/qplist/boilers_prod_list.xls</a>
Gas Furnaces	<a href="http://downloads.energystar.gov/bi/qplist/gas_furnaces_prod_list.xls">http://downloads.energystar.gov/bi/qplist/gas_furnaces_prod_list.xls</a>
Oil Furnaces	<a href="http://downloads.energystar.gov/bi/qplist/oil_furnaces_prod_list.xls">http://downloads.energystar.gov/bi/qplist/oil_furnaces_prod_list.xls</a>
Air Source Heat Pumps and CAC	<a href="http://www.energystar.gov/ia/products/prod_lists/cac_ashp_prod_list.xls">http://www.energystar.gov/ia/products/prod_lists/cac_ashp_prod_list.xls</a> <a href="http://www.ceedirectory.org/">http://www.ceedirectory.org/</a>
Geothermal Heat Pumps	<a href="http://downloads.energystar.gov/bi/qplist/geothermal_heat_pump_prod_list.xls">http://downloads.energystar.gov/bi/qplist/geothermal_heat_pump_prod_list.xls</a> <a href="http://www.energystar.gov/ia/products/prod_lists/QPL_Water-to-Water_GHP_Models.xls">http://www.energystar.gov/ia/products/prod_lists/QPL_Water-to-Water_GHP_Models.xls</a>

**REBATE PROCESSOR GUIDANCE**

1. The qualified product lists noted above should be used as the primary source for verifying rebate eligibility.
  - a. Rebate processors are encouraged to download appliance and water heater lists weekly to ensure their internal data systems are kept up to date.
  - b. To find the latest additions, sort by the “active date” column in the spreadsheet.
2. If any issues arise with a specific model noted on a consumer rebate application, additional steps may be required:
  - a. Take potential wild card characters into account.
  - b. For appliances, use the ENERGY STAR “Find a Model” search tool to check qualification status.
3. If there are further questions about a product’s qualification status, please contact a product expert:
  - a. Ryan Fogle ([rfogle@drintl.com](mailto:rfogle@drintl.com)) – Refrigerators, Freezers, Clothes Washers, Dishwashers, Room AC
  - b. Ray Long ([rlong@drintl.com](mailto:rlong@drintl.com)) – Water Heaters
  - c. Katy Mixer ([kmixer@icfi.com](mailto:kmixer@icfi.com)) – Furnaces, Boilers, ASHPs Central ACs
  - d. Natalie Chadwick ([nchadwick@icfi.com](mailto:nchadwick@icfi.com)) – Geothermal Heat Pumps