

Dear Power Supply Manufacturer, ENERGY STAR Partner, and Other Interested Party:

Last December, I provided an update on EPA's initial energy-efficient power supply efforts, including a draft internationally supported test procedure, titled "Test Method for Calculating the Energy Efficiency of Single Voltage External AC/DC Power Supplies", for stakeholder review and comment. On behalf of EPA, I would like to thank everyone who took the time to submit comments. Your feedback is being carefully considered as we finalize the test procedure, which will be available on the ENERGY STAR Web site at the end of this month.

EPA and other international government representatives will be attending the Applied Power Electronics Conference and Exposition (APEC) from February 22-26, 2004 in Anaheim, California. On Monday, February 23, I will present EPA's strategy to encourage improved efficiency of power supplies during APEC's 2004 Plenary Session. A key element of this strategy will be to coordinate where appropriate with other national governments including Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Europe, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, and Taiwan. These countries share EPA's interest in implementing policy measures to encourage the design and sale of more energy-efficient power supplies. During the presentation, I will announce EPA's support for the new external power supply test procedure and share EPA's first Draft ENERGY STAR single voltage external AC/DC power supply specification.

If you planning on attending APEC and would like to schedule a meeting with EPA to discuss power supplies, please contact Brooke Taylor, ICF Consulting, at btaylor@icfconsulting.com or (202) 862-1586. For more information on APEC 2004, or to register to attend, visit http://www.apec-conf.org/2004/APEC04_Home_Page.html.

Thank you again and I look forward to seeing many of you in Anaheim.

Regards,

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