TABLE 5.1—TEST LOAD SIZES—Continued							
Container volume		Minimum load		Maximum load		Average load	
cu. ft. ≥	liter ≥	lb	kg	lb	kg	lb	kg
3.20–3.30	90.6–93.4	3.00	1.36	13.30	6.03	8.15	3.70
3.30–3.40	93.4–96.3	3.00	1.36	13.70	6.21	8.35	3.79
3.40–3.50	96.3-99.1	3.00	1.36	14.10	6.40	8.55	3.88
3.50–3.60	99.1–101.9	3.00	1.36	14.60	6.62	8.80	3.99
3.60–3.70	101.9–104.8	3.00	1.36	15.00	6.80	9.00	4.08
3.70–3.80	104.8–107.6	3.00	1.36	15.40	6.99	9.20	4.17
3.80–3.90	107.6–110.4	3.00	1.36	15.80	7.16	9.40	4.26
3.90–4.00	110.4–113.3	3.00	1.36	16.20	7.34	9.60	4.35
4.00–4.10	113.3–116.1	3.00	1.36	16.60	7.53	9.80	4.45
4.10–4.20	116.1–118.9	3.00	1.36	17.00	7.72	10.00	4.54
4.20–4.30	118.9–121.8	3.00	1.36	17.40	7.90	10.20	4.63
4.30–4.40	121.8–124.6	3.00	1.36	17.80	8.09	10.40	4.72
4.40–4.50	124.6–127.4	3.00	1.36	18.20	8.27	10.60	4.82
4.50–4.60	127.4–130.3	3.00	1.36	18.70	8.46	10.85	4.91
4.60–4.70	130.3–133.1	3.00	1.36	19.10	8.65	11.05	5.00
4.70–4.80	133.1–135.9	3.00	1.36	19.50	8.83	11.25	5.10
4.80-4.90	135.9-138.8	3.00	1.36	19.90	9.02	11.45	5.19
4.90–5.00	138.8-141.6	3.00	1.36	20.30	9.20	11.65	5.28
5.00–5.10	141.6-144.4	3.00	1.36	20.70	9.39	11.85	5.38
5.10–5.20	144.4–147.2	3.00	1.36	21.10	9.58	12.05	5.47
5.20–5.30	147.2–150.1	3.00	1.36	21.50	9.76	12.25	5.56
5.30–5.40	150.1–152.9	3.00	1.36	21.90	9.95	12.45	5.65
5.40–5.50	152.9–155.7	3.00	1.36	22.30	10.13	12.65	5.75
5.50–5.60	155.7-158.6	3.00	1.36	22.80	10.32	12.90	5.84
5.60–5.70	158.6-161.4	3.00	1.36	23.20	10.51	13.10	5.93
5.70-5.80	161.4–164.2	3.00	1.30	23.20	10.51	13.10	6.03
5.80-5.90	164.2–167.1	3.00	1.30	23.00	10.88	13.50	6.12
							6.21
5.90–6.00	167.1–169.9	3.00	1.36	24.40	11.06	13.70	0.21

Notes: (1) All test load weights are bone dry weights.

(2) Allowable tolerance on the test load weights are ± 0.10 lbs (0.05 kg).

(4) Representations. LG may make representations about the energy use of its clothes washer products for compliance, marketing, or other purposes only to the extent that such products have been tested in accordance with the provisions outlined in this section and such representations fairly disclose the results of such testing.

(5) This waiver shall remain in effect consistent with the provisions of 10 CFR 430.27(m) and 430.401(g).

(6) This waiver is issued on the condition that the statements, representations, and documentary materials provided by the petitioner are valid. DOE may revoke or modify this waiver at any time if it determines the factual basis underlying the petition for waiver is incorrect, or the results from the alternate test procedure are unrepresentative of the basic models' true energy consumption characteristics.

(7) This waiver applies only to those basic models set out in LG's October 31, 2011 petition for waiver and listed in section IV(2) of this section. Grant of this waiver does not release a petitioner from the certification requirements set forth at 10 CFR part 429.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and **Renewable Energy**

[Case No. VHE-001]

Publication of the Petition for Waiver From Empire Comfort Systems From the Department of Energy Vented **Home Heating Equipment Test** Procedure

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

ACTION: Notice of re-opening of public comment period.

SUMMARY: On November 3, 2011, DOE published the Empire Comfort Systems Inc. (Empire) petition for waiver from the vented home heating equipment test procedure. This document announces

that the period for submitting comments on the Empire petition for waiver is reopened until March 2, 2012.

DATES: The comment period for the Empire petition for waiver, published on November 3, 2011 (76 FR 68180), is reopened. DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding the petition for waiver received no later than March 2, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Any comments submitted must identify the Empire Comfort Systems Inc. petition for waiver, and provide case number VHE-001. Comments may be submitted using any of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http:// *www.regulations.gov.* Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• Email:

AS Waiver Requests@ee.doe.gov Include the case number [Case No. VHE-001] in the subject line of the message

• *Mail:* Ms. Brenda Edwards, U.S. Department of Energy, Building Technologies Program, Mailstop EE-2J/ 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121. Telephone: (202) 586–2945. Please submit one signed original paper copy.

• Hand Delivery/Courier: Ms. Brenda Edwards, U.S. Department of Energy,

Building Technologies Program, 950 L'Enfant Plaza SW., Suite 600, Washington, DC 20024. Please submit one signed original paper copy.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, visit the U.S. Department of Energy, Resource Room of the Building Technologies Program, 950 L'Enfant Plaza SW., 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20024, (202) 586–2945, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Please call Ms. Brenda Edwards at the above telephone number for additional information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr.

Michael G. Raymond, U.S. Department of Energy, Building Technologies Program, Mail Stop EE–2J, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585–0121. Telephone: (202) 586–9611. Email: *Michael.Raymond@ee.doe.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 3, 2011, DOE published the Empire petition for waiver from the vented home heating equipment test procedure in the Federal Register (76 FR 68180). The notice provided for the submission of comments by December 5, 2011. To provide all manufacturers of domestically marketed units of the same product type additional time to submit comments subsequent to notification that the Petition for Waiver was published in the Federal Register, DOE has determined that re-opening of the public comment period is appropriate and is hereby re-opening the comment period. DOE will consider any comments received by March 2, 2012 and deems any comments received between February 1, 2012 and March 2, 2012 to be timely submitted.

Further Information on Submitting Comments

Under 10 CFR part 1004.11, any person submitting information that he or she believes to be confidential and exempt by law from public disclosure should submit two copies: one copy of the document including all the information believed to be confidential, and one copy of the document with the information believed to be confidential deleted. DOE will make its own determination about the confidential status of the information and treat it according to its determination.

Factors of interest to DOE when evaluating requests to treat submitted information as confidential include (1) a description of the items, (2) whether and why such items are customarily treated as confidential within the industry, (3) whether the information is generally known by or available from other sources, (4) whether the information has previously been made available to others without obligation concerning its confidentiality, (5) an explanation of the competitive injury to the submitting person which would result from public disclosure, (6) when such information might lose its confidential character due to the passage of time, and (7) why disclosure of the information would be contrary to the public interest.

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Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Wind and Water Power Program

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

ACTION: Notice of pre-solicitation public meeting, request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Wind and Water Power Program (WWPP) within the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy intends to release a Funding Opportunity Announcement, tentatively entitled "U.S. Offshore Wind: Advanced Technology Demonstration Projects". WWPP is planning a pre-solicitation public meeting in order to provide notice in advance of release of the FOA and to afford prospective applicants an opportunity to comment on the planned FOA, which is summarized in this notice.

DATES: DOE will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, February 7, 2012 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. EST. Written comments will be accepted through February 14, 2012.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, 480 L'Enfant Plaza Southwest, Washington, DC.

You may submit comments, identified by any of the following methods:

• *Émail: oswdemo@go.doe.gov.* Include "U.S. Offshore Wind: Advanced Technology Demonstration Projects" in the subject line of the message.

• *Postal Mail:* Michael Hahn, Wind and Water Power Program, 1617 Cole Blvd. Golden, CO 80401. Please submit one signed paper original. Due to the potential delays in DOE's receipt and processing of mail sent through the U.S. Postal Service, DOE encourages respondents to submit comments electronically to ensure timely receipt.

• *Hand Delivery/Courier:* Michael Hahn, Wind and Water Power Program, 1617 Cole Blvd. Golden, CO 80401.

Minutes and video recorded proceedings of the public meeting will be made available for public review on the DOE Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) Wind Program Web site at: *wind.energy.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Chris Hart, Offshore Wind Manager, EERE, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585. Telephone: (202) 374—3164. Email: chris.hart@ee.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

One year ago, DOE, in partnership with the Department of Interior (DOI), released the National Offshore Wind Strategy. The Strategy addresses two critical objectives:

• Reduce the cost of energy through technology development to ensure competitiveness with other electrical generation sources, and

• Reduce the deployment timelines and uncertainties limiting U.S. offshore wind project development.

To realize these objectives, the DOE Wind and Water Power Program has developed a comprehensive approach and investment strategy to mobilize the offshore wind industry in the categories below:

• Technology Research and Development that will reduce cost of offshore wind energy through innovation and testing (19 offshore wind technology development projects to receive \$26.5 million, announced September 2011);

• Research Addressing Market Barriers in order to facilitate deployment and reduce technical challenges facing the entire industry (22 market barrier removal projects to receive \$16.5 million, announced September 2011);

• Advanced Technology Demonstration Projects that further the industry knowledge base for the benefit of all stakeholders (the subject of this meeting).

These initiatives support the demonstration and development of advanced offshore wind energy technologies in various water depths (freshwater, deepwater, shallow water, and transitional depth installations) and