

Administration of Donald J. Trump, 2025

Memorandum on Rescission of Useless Water Pressure Standards

May 9, 2025

Memorandum for the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Deputy Assistant to the President and Director of the Office of Legislative Affairs

Subject: Rescission of Useless Water Pressure Standards

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, I hereby direct:

Water conservation requirements for faucets, showers, bathtubs, and toilets—promulgated by the Department of Energy pursuant to the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-486)—make bathroom appliances more expensive and less functional. "Efficiency" standards render other American appliances like clothes washers and dishwashers less useful, more breakable, and more expensive to repair. The Federal Government should not impose or enforce regulations that make taxpayers' lives worse.

To address these unnecessary radical green agenda policies, I direct the Secretary of Energy to consider using all lawful authority to rescind—or, as appropriate, amend to revert to the standards required by statute—the regulations found in 10 C.F.R. 430.32(f), relating to water and energy use in dishwashers; 10 C.F.R. 430.32(o), relating to water use in faucets; 10 C.F.R. 430.32(p), relating to water use in showerheads; 10 C.F.R. 430.32(q), relating to water use in water closets; 10 C.F.R. 430.32(r), relating to water use in urinals; the definitions of "automatic clothes washer," "clothes washer," "dishwasher," "faucet," "other clothes washer," "semi-automatic clothes washer," "urinal," and "water closet" contained in 10 C.F.R. 430.2; the residential washing machine efficiency standards contained in 10 C.F.R. 430.32(g); and the commercial washing machine efficiency standards contained in 10 C.F.R. 431.156.

Furthermore, I direct the Secretary of Energy to publish in the *Federal Register* a notice clarifying the Waiver of Federal Preemption of State regulations covered by the application of "Energy Efficiency Program for Consumer Products: Waiver of Federal Preemption of State Regulations Concerning the Water Use or Water Efficiency of Showerheads, Faucets, Water Closets and Urinals," 75 Fed. Reg. 80289 (December 22, 2010).

I further direct the Secretary of Energy not to enforce any of the regulatory provisions listed in this memorandum, pending rescission or reversion of such provisions; the provisions of 42 U.S.C. 6295(j) and (k); or energy and water efficiency standards for washing machines, including the provisions in 42 U.S.C. 6295(g) and 42 U.S.C. 6313(e).

Finally, I direct the Secretary of Energy and the Deputy Assistant to the President and Director of the Office of Legislative Affairs to jointly prepare and submit recommendations to the President, within 60 days of the date of this memorandum, through the Chair of the National Energy Dominance Council, for the Congress to rescind, insofar as each relates to the subject matter of this memorandum, 42 U.S.C. 6295(g), (j), (k), and (o) and 42 U.S.C. 6313(e), or to repeal the Energy Policy Act of 1992 in its entirety.

This memorandum is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

DONALD J. TRUMP

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