DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

[DOCKET NUMBER EERE–BT–PET–0024]


ACTION: Notice of Petition for Exemption.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) announces the filing of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Petition for Exemption from Federal Preemption of Massachusetts’ 90% Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency Standard for Non-weatherized Gas Furnaces (hereafter “Massachusetts Petition” or “Petition”). To help DOE evaluate the merits of the Massachusetts Petition, DOE invites interested members of the public to submit comments they might have on the Massachusetts Petition and information related to the evaluation factors outlined in the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (EPCHA or “the Act”).

DATES: DOE will accept written comments, data, and information regarding the Massachusetts Petition until, but no later than March 29, 2010.


2. E-mail: MAAExemptPetition@ee.energy.gov. Include either the docket number EERE–BT–PET–0024, and/or “Massachusetts Petition” in the subject line of the message.


5. Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this proceeding. For detailed instructions on submitting comments and additional information on the proceeding, see section II. C of this document (Submission of Comments).

Docket: For access to the docket to read the background documents relevant to this matter, go to the U.S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 1J–018 (Resource Room of the Building Technologies Program), 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, (202) 586–2945, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Available documents include the following items: The Massachusetts Petition; correspondence from Massachusetts, correspondence from DOE, and any comments received. Please call Ms. Brenda Edwards-Jones at the above telephone number for additional information regarding visiting the Resource Room.

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