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Take notice that during the months of January and February, 2010, the status of the above-captioned entities as Exempt Wholesale Generators became effective by operation of the Commission’s regulations 18 CFR 366.7(a).

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

[Case No. RF–010]

Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Decision and Order Granting a Waiver to Electrolux Home Products, Inc. From the Department of Energy Residential Refrigerator and Refrigerator-Freezer Test Procedure


ACTION: Decision and Order.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice of the decision and order (Case No. RF–010) that grants to Electrolux Home Products, Inc. (Electrolux) a waiver from the DOE electric refrigerator and refrigerator-freezer test procedure for certain basic models containing relative humidity sensors and adaptive control anti-sweat heaters. Under today’s decision and order, Electrolux shall be required to test and rate its refrigerator-freezers with adaptive control anti-sweat heaters using an alternate test procedure that takes this technology into account when measuring energy consumption.

DATES: This Decision and Order is effective March 11, 2010.


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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) 430.27(l), DOE gives notice of the issuance of its decision and order as set forth below. Today’s decision prohibits Electrolux from making representations concerning the energy efficiency of these products unless such product has been tested consistent with the provisions and restrictions in the alternate test procedure described in this notice. Today’s decision prohibits Electrolux from making representations concerning the energy efficiency of these products unless such product has been tested consistent with the provisions and restrictions in the alternate test procedure described in this notice.

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Issued in Washington, DC, on March 4, 2010.

Cathy Zoi, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

Decision and Order

In the Matter of: Electrolux Home Products, Inc. (Case No. RF–010).

Background

Part A includes definitions, test procedures, labeling provisions, energy conservation standards, and the authority to require information and reports from manufacturers. Further, Part A authorizes the Secretary of Energy to prescribe test procedures that are reasonably designed to produce results that measure energy efficiency, energy use, or estimated operating costs, and that are not unduly burdensome to conduct. (42 U.S.C. 6293(b)(3))

Today's notice involves residential products under Part A. The test procedure for residential electric refrigerator-freezers relevant to the current petition for waiver is contained in 10 CFR part 430, subpart B, appendix A1.

DOE's regulations contain provisions allowing a person to seek a waiver from the test procedure requirements for covered consumer products when (1) the petitioner's basic model contains one or more design characteristics that prevent testing according to the prescribed test procedure, or (2) when prescribed test procedures may evaluate the basic model in a manner so unrepresentative of its true energy consumption characteristics as to provide materially inaccurate comparative data. 10 CFR 430.27(a)(1).

Petitioners must include in their petition any alternate test procedures known to the petitioner to evaluate the basic model in a manner representative of its energy consumption characteristics. 10 CFR 430.27(b)(1)(iii).

The Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (the Assistant Secretary) may grant a waiver subject to conditions, including adherence to alternate test procedures. 10 CFR 430.27(l). Waivers remain in effect pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 430.27(m).

The waiver process also allows any interested person who has submitted a petition for waiver to file an application for interim waiver of the applicable test procedure requirements. 10 CFR 430.27(a)(2). The Assistant Secretary will grant an interim waiver request if it is determined that the applicant will experience economic hardship if the interim waiver is denied, if it appears likely that the petition for waiver will be granted, and/or the Assistant Secretary determines that it would be desirable for public policy reasons to grant immediate relief pending a determination on the petition for waiver. 10 CFR 430.27(g).

On November 5, 2008, Electrolux filed a petition for waiver from the test procedures applicable to its product line of refrigerator-freezers with relative humidity sensors and adaptive control anti-sweat heaters. The applicable test procedures are contained in 10 CFR part 430, subpart B, appendix A1–Uniform Test Method for Measuring the Energy Consumption of Electric Refrigerators and Electric Refrigerator-Freezers. Because the existing test procedure under 10 CFR part 430 takes neither ambient humidity nor adaptive technology into account, it does not accurately measure the energy consumption of Electrolux's new refrigerator-freezers that feature humidity sensors and adaptive control anti-sweat heaters. Consequently, Electrolux has submitted an alternate test to DOE for approval to ensure that it is correctly calculating the energy consumption of this new product line. On June 4, 2009, DOE granted Electrolux an interim waiver and published Electrolux's petition for waiver. 74 FR 26853. DOE did not receive any comments on the Electrolux petition. DOE granted the Electrolux waiver on December 15, 2009. 74 FR 66338.

Assertions and Determinations

Electrolux's Petition for Waiver

On July 13, 2009, Electrolux informed DOE that after it filed its petition for waiver in November 2008 it developed additional basic models with adaptive anti-sweat heater technology. Electrolux asserted that these new products are identical in function and operation to the basic models listed in Electrolux's November 2008 petition with respect to the properties that made those products eligible for a waiver. Therefore, Electrolux requested that DOE add these additional basic models to the list of basic models for which the interim waiver was granted.

In addition, Electrolux requested that DOE grant a new waiver for these additional basic models. Electrolux' July 13 petition was published in the Federal Register on December 15, 2009. 74 FR 66344. The December 15 Federal Register notice also modified the interim waiver by extending it to additional basic models. DOE did not receive any comments on the Electrolux petition.

Electrolux requested it be permitted to use the same alternate test procedure DOE prescribed for GE and Whirlpool refrigerators and refrigerator-freezers equipped with a similar technology. The alternate test procedure applicable to the GE and Whirlpool (and now Electrolux) products simulates the energy used by the adaptive heaters in a typical consumer household, as explained in the GE decision and order referenced above. As DOE has stated in the past, it is in the public interest to have similar products tested and rated for energy consumption on a comparable basis.

Consultations With Other Agencies

DOE consulted with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) staff concerning the Electrolux petition for waiver. The FTC staff did not have any objections to granting a waiver to Electrolux.

Conclusion

After careful consideration of all the material that was submitted by Electrolux and consultation with the FTC staff, it is ordered that:

(1) The petition for waiver submitted by Electrolux Home Products, Inc. (Case No. RF–010) is hereby granted as set forth in the paragraphs below.

(2) Electrolux shall not be required to test or rate the following Electrolux models on the basis of the current test procedures contained in 10 CFR Part 430, subpart B, appendix A1, but shall be required to test and rate such products according to the alternate test procedure as set forth in paragraph (3) below:

EI28BS361W
EI28BS361B
EI28BS361S
EI23BC361B
EI23BC361S
EI23BC361W
EI23BC511W
EI23BC581SS
FGHB2846LM
FGHB2846LP
FGHB2846LE
FGHN284LM
FGHN284LP
FGHN284LE
FGHB2846LM
FGHB2846LP
FGHB2846LE
FGHN284LM
FGHN284LP
FGHN284LE

EI28BS511B
EI23BC511W
EI23BC581SS
FGHB2844LM
FGHB2844LP
FGHB2844LE
FGHN2844LM
FGHN2844LP
FGHN2844LE

(3) Electrolux shall be required to test the products listed in paragraph (2) above according to the test procedures prescribed by DOE at 10 CFR Part 430, appendix A1, except that, for the Electrolux products listed in paragraph
(A) The following definition is added at the end of Section 1:

1.13 Variable anti-sweat heater control means an anti-sweat heater where power supplied to the device is determined by an operating condition variable(s) and/or ambient condition variable(s).

(B) Section 2.2 is revised to read as follows:

2.2 Operational conditions. The electric refrigerator or electric refrigerator-freezer shall be installed and its operating conditions maintained in accordance with HRP–1–1979, section 7.2 through section 7.4.3.3, except that the vertical ambient temperature gradient at locations 10 inches (25.4 cm) out from the centers of the two sides of the unit being tested is to be maintained during the test. Unless shields or baffles obstruct the area, the gradient is to be maintained from 2 inches (5.1 cm) above the floor or supporting platform to a height 1 foot (30.5 cm) above the unit under test. Defrost controls are to be operative. The anti-sweat heater switch is to be off during one test and on during the second test. In the case of an electric refrigerator-freezer equipped with variable anti-sweat heater control, the result of the second test will be derived by performing the calculation described in 6.2.3. Other exceptions are noted in 2.3, 2.4, and 5.1 below.

(C) New section 6.2.3 is inserted after section 6.2.2.2.

6.2.3 Variable anti-sweat heater control test. The energy consumption of an electric refrigerator-freezer with a variable anti-sweat heater control in the on position (Eon), expressed in kilowatt-hours per day, shall be calculated equivalent to: Eon = E + (Correction Factor)

Where E is determined by 6.2.1.1, 6.2.1.2, 6.2.2.1, or 6.2.2.2, whichever is appropriate, with the anti-sweat heater switch in the off position.

Correction Factor = (Anti-sweat Heater Power x System-loss Factor) x (24 hrs/1 day) x (1 kW/1000 W)

Where:

Anti-sweat Heater Power = A1 x (Heater Watts at 5%RH)
+ A2 x (Heater Watts at 15%RH)
+ A3 x (Heater Watts at 25%RH)
+ A4 x (Heater Watts at 35%RH)
+ A5 x (Heater Watts at 45%RH)
+ A6 x (Heater Watts at 55%RH)
+ A7 x (Heater Watts at 65%RH)
+ A8 x (Heater Watts at 75%RH)
+ A9 x (Heater Watts at 85%RH)
+ A10 x (Heater Watts at 95%RH)

Where A1–A10 are from the following table:

| A1 = 0.034 | A6 = 0.119 |
| A2 = 0.211 | A7 = 0.069 |
| A3 = 0.204 | A8 = 0.047 |

Heater Watts at a specific relative humidity = the nominal watts used by all heaters at that specific relative humidity, 72 °F ambient, and DOE reference temperatures of fresh food (FF) average temperature of 45 °F and freezer (FZ) average temperature of 5 °F. System-loss Factor = 1.3

(4) Representations. Electrolux may make representations about the energy use of its adaptive control anti-sweat heater refrigerator-freezer products for compliance, marketing, or other purposes only to the extent that such products have been tested in accordance with the provisions outlined above 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(n).

(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.

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Cathy Zoi, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER10–790–000]

El Cajon Energy, LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

March 4, 2010.

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of El Cajon Energy, LLC’s application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability. Any person desiring to intervene or to protest should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant’s request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is March 24, 2010.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at http://www.ferc.gov. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above-referenced proceeding are accessible in the Commission’s eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list.

They are also available for review in the Commission’s Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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