MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

STATUS: Open.

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The Board specifically reserves its right to further schedule and otherwise regulate the course of the meeting, to recess, reconvene, postpone, or adjourn the meeting, conduct further reviews, and otherwise exercise its authority under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.


Dated: September 15, 2017.

Sean Sullivan,
Chairman.
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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Extension of the Application Deadline Date for the Fiscal Year 2017; Promise Neighborhoods Program Grant Application

AGENCY: Office of Innovation and Improvement, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Acting Assistant Deputy Secretary for Innovation and Improvement extends, for certain prospective eligible applicants described elsewhere in this notice, the deadline date for transmittal of applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2017 under the Promise Neighborhoods program, Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 84.215N. The Acting Assistant Deputy Secretary takes this action to allow more time for the preparation and submission of applications by prospective eligible applicants affected by the severe storms and flooding beginning on August 25, 2017, in Texas or Louisiana.

The extension of the application deadline date for this competition is intended to help affected eligible applicants compete fairly with other eligible applicants under this competition.


If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) or a text telephone (TTY), call the Federal Relay Service (FRS), toll free, at 1–800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 21, 2017, we published in the Federal Register (82 FR 33881) a notice inviting applications for new awards for FY 2017 for the Promise Neighborhoods competition (NIA). The application deadline in the NIA was September 5, 2017. We are extending this competition for applicants in Texas or Louisiana in order to allow applicants more time to prepare and submit their applications.

Eligibility: The extension of the application deadline date in this notice applies to eligible applicants under the Promise Neighborhoods program that are located in Texas or Louisiana.

In accordance with the NIA, an eligible applicant for the Promise Neighborhoods program must:

(1) Is representative of the geographic area proposed to be served;

(2) Is one of the following:

(a) A nonprofit organization that meets the definition of a nonprofit under 34 CFR 77.1(c), which may include a faith-based nonprofit organization.

(b) An institution of higher education as defined by section 101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.

(c) An Indian tribe (as defined in the NIA);

(3) Currently provides at least one of the solutions from the applicant’s proposed continuum of solutions in the geographic area proposed to be served; and

(4) Operates or proposes to work with and involve in carrying out its proposed project, in coordination with the school’s local educational agency (LEA), at least one public elementary or secondary school that is located within the identified geographic area that the grant will serve.

In the case of an eligible applicant that is a partnership, the extension of the application deadline date applies if any of the entities required to be part of the partnership (i.e., a nonprofit organization, an LEA, or a consortium of schools) are located in Texas or Louisiana.

An eligible applicant submitting an application under the extended deadline must provide a certification in its application that it meets the criteria for doing so and be prepared to provide appropriate supporting documentation, if requested. If such an eligible applicant is submitting its application electronically, the submission of the application serves as the eligible applicant’s attestation that it meets the
criteria for submitting an application by the extended deadline.

Note: All information in the NIA published on July 21, 2017 (82 FR 33081) for this competition remains the same, except for the deadline date.


Accessible Format: Individuals with disabilities can obtain this document and a copy of the application package in an accessible format (e.g., braille, large print, audiotape, or compact disc) on request to the program contact person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

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Dated: September 15, 2017.

Margo Anderson,
Acting Assistant Deputy Secretary for Innovation and Improvement.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background and Authority

Title III, Part B of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975 (EPCA), Public Law 94–163 (42 U.S.C. 6291–6309, as codified) established the Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products Other Than Automobiles, which includes central air conditioners and heat pumps. Part B includes definitions, test procedures, labeling provisions, energy conservation standards, and the authority to require information and reports from manufacturers. Further, Part B requires 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 during a representative average-use cycle, and that are not unduly burdensome to conduct. (42 U.S.C. 6293(b)(3)) The test procedure for central air conditioners and heat pumps is contained in 10 CFR part 430, subpart B, appendix M (referred to in this notice as “EERE–2017–BT–WAV–0037.”).

PART B—ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2015

§ 6293.082 Definitions

As used in this part, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

“Energy efficiency” means a rate of performance that is designed to minimize energy consumption or energy use.

“Energy labelling” means the labeling of consumer products with information concerning the energy consumption or energy use of the appliance.


“Energy Conservation Standards Program” means the program established by EPCA to promulgate energy conservation standards for energy-using consumer products.

“Energy efficiency standards” means energy conservation standards promulgated by the Secretary of Energy that are intended to improve energy efficiency.

“Energy efficiency test procedure” means a test procedure that is intended to improve energy efficiency.

“Energy efficiency testing” means testing that is intended to improve energy efficiency.

“Energy labelling testing” means testing that is intended to improve energy labelling.

“Energy performance” means a rate of performance that is a function of both energy consumption or energy use and operating conditions.

“Energy use” means the actual consumption or use of energy by a consumer product.

“Energy-using consumer product” means a product that has been designed to use energy consuming components.

“Energy use standards” means energy use standards promulgated by the Secretary of Energy that are intended to promote energy efficiency.

“Energy use test procedure” means a test procedure that is intended to promote energy efficiency.

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“Energy labelling test procedure” means a test procedure that is intended to improve energy labelling.

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“Interim test procedure” means a test procedure that is intended to provide interim results.

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“Non-energy performance” means characteristics of a consumer product that do not affect energy consumption or energy use.


“Petition for waiver” means a request for a waiver of energy efficiency standards and test procedures.


“Test results” means the results of energy efficiency testing.

“Waiver” means a determination that a petition for waiver has been granted.

ACTION: Notice of petition for waiver, notice of grant of interim waiver, and request for comment.

SUMMARY: This notice announces receipt of and publishes a petition for waiver from JCI seeking an exemption from specified portions of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) test procedure for determining the efficiency of central air conditioners (CAC) and heat pumps (HP). According to JCI, testing its CAC and HP basic models that use variable-speed, oil-injected scroll compressors (VSS systems) with only a 20-hour break-in period produces results unrepresentative of their true energy consumption characteristics, and would provide materially inaccurate comparative data. JCI requests that in lieu of the 20-hour break-in limit, it be permitted to test its VSS systems with a 72-hour break-in period. This notice also grants JCI an interim waiver from the DOE CAC and HP test procedure for its specified basic models, subject to use of the alternative test procedure as set forth in this notice. DOE solicits comments, data, and information concerning JCI’s petition and its suggested alternate test procedure.

DATES: DOE will accept comments, data, and information with respect to the JCI Petition until October 20, 2017.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by case number “CAC–051” and Docket number “EERE–2017–BT–WAV–0037,” by any of the following methods:

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

• Email: JohnsonControlsCAC051 waiver@ee.doe.gov. Include the case number [Case No. CAC–051] in the subject line of the message. Submit electronic comments in WordPerfect, Microsoft Word, PDF, or ASCII file format, and avoid the use of special characters or any form of encryption.


The Supplemental Information (SI) describes the facts and circumstances that led JCI to request an exemption from the DOE CAC and HP test procedure for its specified basic models.

The background and detailed history of the alternative test procedure for the DOE CAC and HP test procedures, to which DOE is granting an interim waiver, is described in the SI.

The SI contains the following:

1. Background

2. The DOE CAC and HP Test Procedure

3. JCI’s Petition

4. DOE’s Reasons for Granting the Interim Waiver

5. JCI’s Comments on DOE’s Reasons for Granting the Interim Waiver

6. DOE’s Final Decision

7. Final Comments

8. Conclusion

DOE’s action on this petition is in the public’s interest because the DOE CAC and HP test procedures are recognized as the most accurate and consistent test procedures for central air conditioners and heat pumps, and DOE has determined that an interim waiver for JCI’s basic models is necessary.


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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

[Case No. CAC–051]

Notice of Petition for Waiver of Johnson Controls, Inc. (JCI) from the Department of Energy Central Air Conditioners and Heat Pumps Test Procedure, and Granting of Interim Waiver


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Lucy Debutts, U.S. Department of Energy, Building Technologies Office, Mailstop EE–5B, Petition for Waiver Case No. CAC–051, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585–0121. If possible, please submit all items on a CD, in which case it is not necessary to include printed copies.

Hand Delivery/Courier: Appliance and Equipment Standards Program, U.S. Department of Energy, Building Technologies Office, 950 L’Enfant Plaza SW., 6th Floor, Washington, DC, 2024. Telephone: (202) 287–1445. If possible, please submit all items on a CD, in which case it is not necessary to include printed copies.

For editorial reasons, upon codification in the U.S. Code, Part B was redesignated as Part A.

All references to EPCA in this document refer to the statute as amended through the Energy Efficiency Improvement Act of 2015 (EEIA), Public Law 114–11 (April 30, 2015).