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Transmitted via email to Michael Ivanovich (mivanovich@amca.org)

Dear Michael Ivanovich:

Thank you for your email dated September 9, 2022, regarding the Department of Energy's (DOE) notice of proposed rulemaking (NOPR) "Test Procedure for Fans and Blowers." In your letter, Air Movement and Control Association International (AMCA) and Air Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI) jointly requested a stakeholder meeting and further requested that DOE extend the comment period for an additional 30 days.

Regarding the request for a subsequent meeting, DOE values feedback from interested stakeholders to ensure that DOE receives all information necessary to develop rules that advance the public interest. To the extent that any stakeholders, including AMCA and AHRI, wish to provide DOE with additional feedback either before or after the public comment period closes, a request for an *ex-parte* meeting would be appropriate.

As for the request to extend the comment period, DOE posted a copy of the pre-Federal Register publication of the fans and blowers test procedure NOPR on the DOE website and notified stakeholder organizations via email on June 24, 2022, which provided many stakeholders approximately 30 days for review of that copy in addition to the 60-day comment period that was announced in the notice published in the Federal Register on July 25, 2022. A public meeting was held on August 2, 2022, and the written comment period closes on September 23, 2022.

DOE has considered your request. But DOE continues to believe that the length of the comment period is appropriate and provides a meaningful opportunity to comment on the NOPR. Therefore, DOE is denying the request to extend the comment period.

Again, thank you for your letter. I appreciate the opportunity to be of service and trust the information provided is helpful.

Sincerely,

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