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Ms. Ashley Armstrong U.S. Department of Energy Building Technologies Office 950 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., Suite 600 Washington, D.C. 20024

Re: Request for a Public Meeting regarding Department of Energy's (DOE) Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (SNOPR) – Test Procedures for Residential Central Air Conditioners and Heat Pumps [Docket Number EERE–2016– BT–TP–0029]

Dear Ashley,

On behalf of members of the Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI), I'm writing to respectfully request a public meeting to discuss the supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking (SNOPR) regarding test procedures for residential central air conditioners and heat pumps pre-published on August 1, 2016.

While most of the supplemental rule was negotiated by a working group established under the Appliance Standards and Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ASRAC), there are several elements of the proposed test procedures that industry is seeing for the first time and that warrant further discussion with the Department of Energy. AHRI members strongly believe that scheduling a public meeting to discuss the proposed test procedures would help clarify some of the provisions proposed by the Department and ultimately result in fewer stakeholders' comments.

I trust that you will give this request immediate attention. If you have any questions or wish to discuss this further, please call me.

Sincerely,

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