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# Part V

# Department of Energy

Semiannual Regulatory Agenda

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE)

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#### Semiannual Regulatory Agenda

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of semiannual regulatory agenda.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) has prepared and is making available its portion of the semiannual Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions (Agenda), pursuant to Executive Order 12866 "Regulatory Planning and Review," 58 FR 51735, and the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information about any particular item on the agenda, please contact the

individual listed under that item. For further information on the agenda in general, please contact: Diana L. Dean, Room 6E-078, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-7440.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Agenda is a Governmentwide compilation of upcoming and ongoing regulatory activity taking place over the next 12 months, including a brief description of each rulemaking and a timetable for action. The Agenda also includes a list of regulatory actions completed since publication of the last Agenda. The Department of Energy's portion of the Agenda includes regulatory actions called for by the Energy Policy Act of 2005, the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007, and programmatic needs of DOE offices.

The Internet is the basic means for disseminating the Agenda and providing users the ability to obtain information from the Agenda database. DOE's entire spring 2009 agenda can be accessed online by going to: www.reginfo.gov. Agenda entries reflect the status of activities as of approximately April 30, 2009.

Publication in the Federal Register is mandated by the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 602) only for Agenda entries that require either a regulatory flexibility analysis or periodic review under section 610 of that Act. Included in this Agenda are two energy conservation standards rulemakings that require regulatory flexibility analyses: Residential Electric and Gas Ranges and Ovens and Microwave Ovens, and Commercial Clothes Washers; and Commercial Refrigeration Equipment.

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#### Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy—Completed Actions

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number	
145	Energy Conservation Standards for Residential Electric and Gas Ranges and Ovens and Microwave Ovens, and Commercial Clothes Washers	1904–AB49	
146	Energy Efficiency Standards for Commercial Refrigeration Equipment	1904–AB59	

# Department of Energy (DOE) Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EE)

#### **Completed Actions**

#### 145. ENERGY CONSERVATION STANDARDS FOR RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC AND GAS RANGES AND OVENS AND MICROWAVE OVENS, AND COMMERCIAL CLOTHES WASHERS

**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 6295(h); 42 USC 6313(e)

Abstract: The Energy Policy and Conservation Act (EPCA), as amended, establishes initial energy efficiency standard levels for many types of major residential appliances and generally requires DOE to undertake two subsequent rulemakings, at specified times, to determine whether the extant standard for a covered product should be amended. Through this combined rulemaking, the Department is evaluating potential amendments to update the current energy efficiency standards for residential electric and gas ranges and ovens (including a new

provision specific to microwave ovens) and is also considering establishing energy efficiency standards for commercial clothes washers, as required by the Energy Policy Act of 2005, which further amended EPCA. Previously, this rulemaking also included dishwashers and dehumidifiers. Because the Energy Independence Act of 2007 (EISA 2007) prescribed standards for dishwashers and dehumidifiers, they have been removed from the rulemaking.

#### Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/17/08	73 FR 62033
Final Action	04/08/09	74 FR 16040

# **Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Yes

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**RIN:** 1904–AB49

#### 146. ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS FOR COMMERCIAL REFRIGERATION EQUIPMENT

Legal Authority: 42 USC 6313(c)(4)(A)

Abstract: The Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPACT 2005) amendments to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (EPCA) require that DOE establish standards for ice cream freezers; self-contained commercial refrigerators, freezers, and refrigerator-freezers without doors; and remote-condensing commercial refrigerators, freezers, and refrigerator-freezers.

#### Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	01/09/09	74 FR 1092

#### DOE—EE Completed Actions

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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