

the hearing must be received by the Department by 4 p.m., August 25, 1995. Ten copies of statements to be given at the public hearing must be received by the Department by 4 p.m., September 1, 1995.

The hearing will begin at 9:30 a.m., on September 12 and 13, 1995, and will be held at the U.S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 1E-245, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585. The length of each presentation is limited to 20 minutes.

ADDRESSES: Written comments, oral statements, requests to speak at the hearing and requests for speaker lists are to be submitted to: Refrigerator Rulemaking (Docket No. EE-RM-93-801), U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Codes and Standards, Appliance Division, EE-431, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Rm 1J-018, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-7574.

Copies of the *Technical Support Document: Energy Efficiency Standards for Consumer Products: Refrigerators, Refrigerator-Freezers, and Freezers* (TSD) may be obtained from: U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Codes and Standards, Appliance Division, EE-431, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Rm 1J-018, Washington, D.C. 20585. (202) 586-9127.

Copies of the TSD, transcript of the public hearing and public comments received may be read at the DOE Freedom of Information Reading Room, U.S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 1E-190, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-6020 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. For more information concerning public participation in this rulemaking proceeding see Section VI, "Public Comment Procedures," of this NOPR.

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I. Introduction

A. Authority

Part B of Title III of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (EPCA), Pub. L. 94-163, as amended by the National Energy Conservation Policy Act (NECPA), Pub. L. 95-619, by the National Appliance Energy Conservation Act (NAECA), Pub. L. 100-12, by the National Appliance Energy Conservation Amendments of 1988, Pub. L. 100-357, and by the Energy Policy Act of 1992, Pub. L. 102-486,¹ created the Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products other than Automobiles. The consumer products subject to this program are called "covered products." The residential covered products are: Refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers and freezers; dishwashers; clothes dryers; water heaters; central air conditioners

¹ Part B of Title III of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended by the National Energy Conservation Policy Act, the National Appliance Energy Conservation Act, the National Appliance Energy Conservation Amendments of 1988 and the Energy Policy Act of 1992, is referred to in this notice as the "Act." Part B of Title III is codified at 42 U.S.C. 6291 et seq. Part B of Title III of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended by the National Energy Conservation Policy Act only, is referred to in this notice as the National Energy Conservation Policy Act.