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Q: Do I have to re-test units each year to meet the annual certification requirement?

A: Basic models do not need to be retested annually. The initial test results used to generate a certified rating for a basic model remain valid as long as the basic model has not been modified from the tested design in a way that makes it less efficient or more consumptive, which would require a change to the certified rating. If a manufacturer has modified a basic model in a way that makes it more efficient or less consumptive, new testing is only required if the manufacturers wishes to make claims of the new, more efficient rating.