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Q: If a retailer collects model numbers and specifications, can that retailer submit certification reports for manufacturer?

A: The manufacturer, including importer, is responsible for certifying compliance to the Department. A manufacturer may elect to use a third-party to certify on its behalf by filing the appropriate paperwork with the Department. A third-party can be a testing organization, certification body, OEM, retailer, etc. You may act as a third-party for the manufacturer as long as the manufacturer is the importer of record and the proper paperwork is filed. The user registration and third-party authorization forms can be found at <https://www.regulations.doe.gov/ccms/registration-and-forms>.