

CANADA-UNITED STATES REGULATORY COOPERATION COUNCIL

Webinar:
Proposed Approach for
Energy Efficiency Standards
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What We Heard on October 8th in Washington D.C.

- Misaligned test methods are the primary concern
- Alignment makes sense for many, but not all products (e.g. climate sensitive products)
- Canada has to catch-up and needs a broader set of legislative/regulatory tools to do this
- Participating in two national regulatory processes is costly

Purpose of this Webinar

- To provide an overview of DOE-NRC's proposed approach to support RCC commitment
- To receive your feedback to determine whether we are on the right track

RCC Energy Efficiency Commitment in Joint Forward Plan

Natural Resources Canada and the U.S. Department of Energy have established **the goal of aligning new and updated energy efficiency standards and test methods** for energy-using equipment through **enhanced information sharing** and their **cooperative development** and implementation, to the extent **practicable and permitted by law**.

This includes a commitment to: annually share work plans (schedules) for test procedures and standards; develop guidelines for frequency of interaction and information sharing (e.g., test data, market analyses, etc.); mutually participate in each country's process to establish standards and testing requirements; and leverage multilateral initiatives to advance energy efficiency objectives.

Key Dates

- By **February 27th 2015** we will jointly publish:
 - Regulatory Partnership Statement
 - Annual Work Plan
 - State of Alignment
- By **summer 2015**, we will use your comments on the proposed priorities to align and publish a revised Annual Work Plan

Proposed Regulatory Partnership Statement

- Outlines the scope of cooperation
 - Types of activities that could be undertaken to support RCC commitment
- Governance
 - senior/strategic level
 - technical level
- Stakeholder role
 - informing regulatory priorities, providing data on performance, costs, and industry trends

Proposed Annual Work Plan

- Three work streams are proposed
 - Fostering future alignment
 - Activities related to products for which U.S. intends to initiate regulatory development in 2016
 - Maintaining alignment
 - Activities related to products that the U.S. intends to finalize in 2015
 - Addressing existing misalignment
 - Activities related to products that the U.S. has already finalized, for which Canadian action is required to align
- A State of Alignment document will show how the current Federal U.S. and Canadian regulations for test procedures and standards compare on a product-by-product basis

Stakeholder Homework

- Review Annual Work Plan as published on February 27th
 - Fact-check our assessment of State of Alignment
 - Indicate whether our proposed priorities to address misalignment make sense
 - Comment on any other aspects associated with fostering and maintaining alignment
 - Provide comments within 60 days

NRCan-DOE Homework

- Review stakeholder comments on Annual Work Plan
- Publish updated version based on stakeholder comments (target early summer 2015)
- Set up first strategic and technical level RCC meeting (target fall 2015)

Any Comments/Questions?

