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# Appliance Early Replacement/Recycling Program:

*A Tool for GHG Emission Reduction Under EPA's Power Plant ESPS*

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## Overview

- AHAM proposes that EPA include in the ESPS rulemaking an early replacement/recycling program to remove older refrigerators and other less-efficient appliances from the grid
- A unique opportunity to:
  - Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from power plants
  - Deliver energy savings to consumers
  - Promote responsible recycling

5-Year Refrigerator Program	Estimated Impacts
Total Rebates	2-4 million/year for 5 years
Total Energy Savings	43,000-85,000 GWh
Total Consumer Cost Savings	\$5-\$10 Billion
Total Carbon Reduction	30-60 MMtCO <sub>2</sub>
Cost of Carbon Reduction	\$17-\$33/MtCO <sub>2</sub>
Percentage of Annual Power Plant Emissions <i>(based on 2013 EPA GHG inventory)</i>	1.4-2.8%

- Request to EPA: Work with AHAM, DOE, NGOs, states and power sector to build support and develop details

**Attractive compliance pathway for states under ESPS**



## Scope of Opportunity

- In 2016, 147 million refrigerators will be on the grid
- Refrigerators have long useful life and retain value for consumers
- When replaced, many older refrigerators remain on grid because they are kept as a second unit, refurbished, resold or given away
- Older refrigerators use significantly more energy than newer units
  - DOE standards and ENERGY STAR levels have contributed to a 50% improvement in refrigerator energy efficiency since 1990

**Replacing older refrigerators with the latest models will yield immediate large-scale energy and CO<sub>2</sub>eq savings**

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## Basic Program Design

- Five year program
- Robust national education/marketing campaign with EPA
  - Manufacturers and retailers have clear incentive to promote plan
- Rebates of \$50-\$100 based on efficiency levels, i.e., 2014 DOE standard or ENERGY STAR
  - Possible additional rebate for removing 2nd unit
- Rebate conditioned on purchasing new unit and proper recycling of old one (i.e., no resale; verification required)
- Funding from participating utilities or state energy efficiency/GHG-reduction programs
- No restriction on age of eligible refrigerators
- Some "free riders" may receive rebates, as in all such programs, but would be accounted for in measuring program benefits

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## Building on Successful Rebate Programs

- Currently 40+ utility rebate programs exist to recover and recycle older refrigerators
- ARRA (stimulus legislation) provided \$300M for rebates to replace older appliances
  - DOE considers program a “huge success”
  - Major appliances (particularly refrigerators) accounted for nearly 90% of rebates
  - 1.7 million rebates provided to consumers
    - ~565,000 rebates for refrigerators

**Experience shows that rebates are an effective motivator for replacing old refrigerators**

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## Energy and Carbon Reductions Benefits

<u>5-Year Refrigerator Program</u>	<u>\$75 Rebate</u>
Number of Rebates Per Program Year	3 million <i>(2% of units on grid)</i>
Total Energy Savings From Program	64,000 GWh
Total Cost Savings From Program	\$7.7 billion
Total Cost of Program	\$1.12 billion
Total Carbon Reduction From Program	45 MMtCO <sub>2</sub>
Cost of Carbon Reductions	\$25/MtCO <sub>2</sub>
Benefits of EPA's 2010 Social Cost of Carbon <i>(\$5.7-38.4 from Interagency WG on SCC Year 2015)</i>	\$257 million - \$1.7 billion

*Measure of benefits is combination of (1) cumulative difference in energy consumption between new/old units over remaining useful life of old units and (2) prevention of older units remaining on grid*

- Average annual energy use of new unit = 330 kWh/yr
- Average annual energy use of unit being replaced = 678 kWh/yr
- Average remaining useful life of unit being replaced = 5.3 years

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# Good Fit: ESPS and Early Replacement

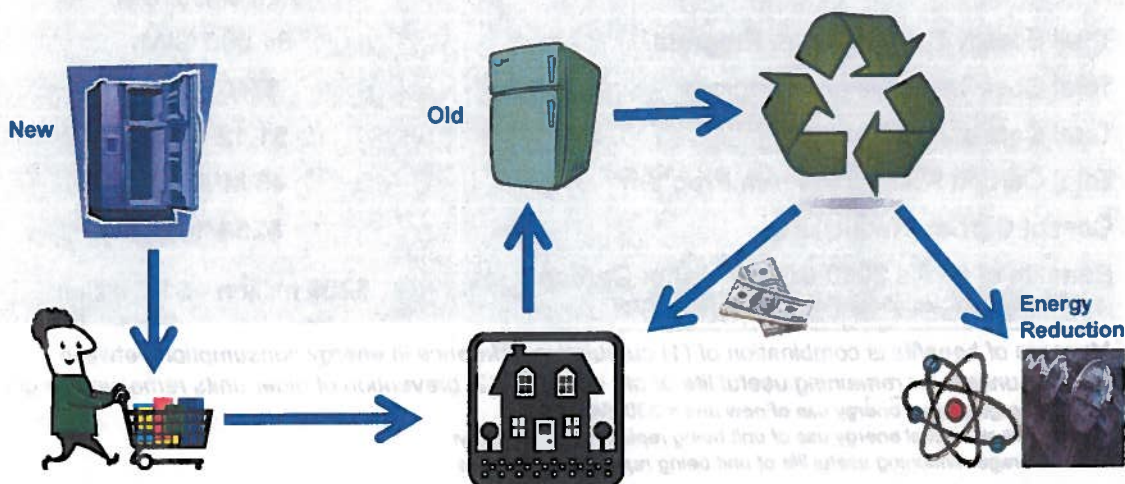
- Program delivers reductions beyond business as usual:
  - Rebates induce replacement of units that would otherwise remain in service
  - Recycling reduces secondary market for less efficient appliances
- Energy reductions quantifiable with confidence
  - Extensive data on energy efficiency of old and new units, remaining useful life and CO<sub>2</sub> reduction
- Reliable verification and accountability measures document reductions: proof of removal and recycling of old unit
- Can accommodate states' need for flexibility in selecting tools to meet reduction goals
- Cost likely competitive with other emission-reduction options
- Reductions achieved immediately

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## Summary

This program holds significant potential to incentivize the early replacement and recycling of old appliances and thereby reduce energy consumption, reduce carbon emissions and save consumers money.



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## Requested Next Steps

- ▶ Schedule technical meeting between AHAM and EPA staff to provide feedback on AHAM technical analysis and key program elements *us*
- ▶ Convene dialogue with utilities, retailers, states, DOE and other stakeholders to refine program design, evaluate program benefits and build support for implementation *United Nations EPA*
- ▶ Include Appliance Early Replacement/Recycling Program as cost-effective GHG-reduction option in proposed ESPS rule and background documents
  - ▶ Send strong signal about EPA acceptance of efficiency programs in state performance standards *>*
  - ▶ Early replacement program could begin in 2014-2015
  - ▶ Provide credit for early action

## APPENDIX

# Appendix Data Sources Index

- DOE technical source documents from 2014 refrigerator standard rulemaking provide appliance survival rates, usage adjustment factors
- DOE Uniform Methods Project (UMP) protocol for determining energy efficiency savings from recycling refrigerators (steering committee included EPA, NARUC, ACEEE, LBNL, and EEI)
- EPA emissions factor used to convert energy use to MtCO<sub>2</sub>eq
- AHAM historical efficiency data
- AHAM shipment data

## Energy and Carbon Reductions Benefits

<u>Refrigerator Program</u>	<u>\$50 Rebate</u>	<u>\$75 Rebate</u>	<u>\$100 Rebate</u>
• 5 years (2016-2020)			
Number of Rebates Per Program Year	2 million	3 million	4 million
Total Energy Savings From Program	43,000 GWh	64,000 GWh	85,000 GWh
Total Cost Savings From Program	\$7.7 billion	\$11.6 billion	\$15.4 billion
Total Cost of Program	\$750 million	\$1.12 billion	\$1.5 billion
Total Carbon Reduction From Program	30 MMtCO <sub>2</sub>	45 MMtCO <sub>2</sub>	60 MMtCO <sub>2</sub>
Cost of Carbon Reductions	\$17/MtCO <sub>2</sub>	\$25/MtCO <sub>2</sub>	\$33/MtCO <sub>2</sub>
Benefits of EPA's 2010 Social Cost of Carbon ( <i>\$5.7-38.4 from Interagency WG on SCC Year 2015</i> )	\$0.17 - \$1.2 billion	\$0.26 - \$1.7 billion	\$0.34 - \$2.3 billion

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