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Dear Sirs:

This letter is to inform you that EPA accepts the data provided in the attached electronic ballast spreadsheet from General Electric.

This spreadsheet may be made available to light fixture manufacturers via posting to the NEMA/ALA designated Web site at www.nema.org/lampballastmatrix/. We will now accept listing on these matrices in lieu of full testing documentation per the ENERGY STAR for Residential Light Fixture Specification Version 4.2 for the following parameters:

- Input Power
- Lamp Start Time
- Power Factor
- Lamp Current Crest Factor
- Electromagnetic and Radio Frequency Interference
- Maximum Recommended Ballast Case Temperature During Normal Operation Inside A Fixture
- Ballast Case Hot Spot Location
- Ballast Frequency
- Transient Protection
- End of Life Protection
- Dimming
- Safety – Ballasts and “Non Edison base Fluorescent Adapters”

We should note that EPA accepts this data provided it adheres to the document we developed together entitled: ‘ENERGY STAR Standard Operating Procedures for Accepting Lamp Ballast Combinations from the Proposed NEMA/ALA Matrix’. Further, NEMA and ALA understand that this acknowledgement applies only to those lamp and ballast models listed on the current set of matrices and that future revisions to the lists must also be approved by EPA or its agents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex Baker".

Alex Baker, Lighting Program Manager
ENERGY STAR for Residential Light Fixtures