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Hi Marshall,

Just saw the email you sent out as I was writing this one...

I'm available to talk when you are. I spoke with Bijit on the matter since he was more closely involved in the rulemaking than I.

In short, in the past we've remained neutral on whether or not regional standards were a good thing for furnaces. It appears to have a pretty minimal affect in CA since the standard would go from 78% to 80% as you suggested.

#### Brief Timeline on *Non-weatherized* Furnace Standards

- October 2009: AHRI and advocates finalize consensus agreement on regional standards for non-weatherized furnaces. Standard is proposed to go from 78% AFUE Nationwide to 80% AFUE in South and Southwest regions and 90% AFUE in North
- October 2011: DOE Final Rule codifies the standards proposed by the consensus agreement – with an effective day of May 2013
- January 2013: DOE proposes to settle a lawsuit brought by the American Public Gas Ass'n (APGA) by vacating the new standards in favor of another round of rulemakings. This settlement agreement was sent to the courts for approval.
- April 2013: DOE sends out a notice saying until the settlement is implemented by the courts, it will **not** enforce the new standard that is scheduled to take effect May 1, 2013.

Also to note, that regardless of how the court decides, the matter will come back to DOE for further rulemaking proceedings.

Still want to talk?

Amanda

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It is 78% now although it was supposed to go to 80% with the new Regional Stds.  
Confusing

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Marshall/Amanda:

Need a quick reaction to this...by noon if possible. I recall that our position on the furnace fans part of regional standards was neutral since it did not have much of an impact on CA. Current thoughts regarding what our position should be?

Also, can you verify the current standard? 80%?

Thanks.

Pat

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