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Secretary.

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Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation Policy

Proposed Subsequent Arrangement

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Subsequent Arrangement.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 131 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2160) notice is hereby given of a proposed "subsequent arrangement" to be carried out in the Republic of Korea under the Agreement for Cooperation between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Korea Concerning Civil Uses of Atomic Energy, signed November 24, 1972, as amended.

The subsequent arrangement to be carried out under the above-mentioned agreement involves the joint determination, pursuant to Article VIII (c) of that Agreement, that the provisions of Article XI may be effectively applied for the alteration in form or content of U.S.-origin nuclear material contained in pressurized water reactor fuels, CANDU fuels, and research reactor fuels at the Post Irradiation Examination Facility and the Irradiated Materials Examination Facility at the Headquarters of the Korea Atomic Energy Research Institute in accordance with the plan contained in KAERI/AR-417/95, Rev-1, dated May, 1995. The aforementioned determination will be made, and the approval for the post-irradiation examination for the agreed upon program will be granted, for the period ending December 31, 2001.

In accordance with section 131 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, it has been determined that this subsequent arrangement will not be inimical to the common defense and security.

This subsequent arrangement will take effect no sooner than fifteen days after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: January 22, 1996.

For the Department of Energy.

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Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Granting of the Application for Interim Waiver and Publishing of the Petition for Waiver of Thermo Products Inc. From the DOE Furnace Test Procedure. (Case No. F-083)

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Today's notice grants an Interim Waiver to Thermo Products Inc. (Thermo Products) from the existing Department of Energy (DOE or Department) test procedure regarding blower time delay for the company's CHA-upflow and CCA-downflow condensing gas furnaces.

Today's notice also publishes a "Petition for Waiver" from Thermo Products. Thermo Products Petition for Waiver requests DOE to grant relief from the DOE furnace test procedure relating to the blower time delay specification. Thermo Products seeks to test using a blower delay time of 45 seconds for its CHA-upflow and CCA-downflow condensing gas furnaces instead of the specified 1.5-minute delay between burner on-time and blower on-time. The Department is soliciting comments, data, and information respecting the Petition for Waiver.

DATES: DOE will accept comments, data, and information not later than February 29, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and statements shall be sent to: Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Case No. F-083, Mail Stop EE-43, Room 1J-108, Forestall Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585, (202) 586-7140.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products (other than automobiles) was established pursuant to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended (EPCA), which requires DOE to prescribe standardized test procedures to measure the energy consumption of certain consumer products, including furnaces. The intent of the test procedures is to provide a comparable measure of energy consumption that will assist consumers in making purchasing decisions. These test procedures appear at Title 10 CFR Part 430, Subpart B.

The Department amended the test procedure rules to provide for a waiver process by adding Section 430.27 to Title 10 CFR Part 430. 45 FR 64108, September 26, 1980. Subsequently, DOE amended the waiver process to allow the Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (Assistant Secretary) to grant an Interim Waiver from test procedure requirements to manufacturers that have petitioned DOE for a waiver of such prescribed test procedures. Title 10 CFR Part 430, Section 430.27(a)(2).

The waiver process allows the Assistant Secretary to waive temporarily test procedures for a particular basic model when a petitioner shows that the basic model contains one or more design characteristics which prevent testing according to the prescribed test procedures, or when the prescribed test procedures may evaluate the basic model in a manner so unrepresentative of its true energy consumption as to provide materially inaccurate comparative data. Waivers generally remain in effect until final test procedure amendments become effective, resolving the problem that is the subject of the waiver.

An Interim Waiver will be granted if it is determined that the applicant will experience economic hardship if the Application for Interim Waiver is denied, if it appears likely that the Petition for Waiver will be granted, and/or the Assistant Secretary determines that it would be desirable for public policy reasons to grant immediate relief pending a determination on the Petition for Waiver. Title 10 CFR Part 430, Section 430.27(g). An Interim Waiver remains in effect for a period of 180 days or until DOE issues its determination on the Petition for