Take-Away Notes from June 8, 2010 Meeting on California Appliance and Building Code Compliance, among AG's Office, CEC, CPUC, and PG&E

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A view of the problem areas:

Lowest to highest efficiency

"Energy Star" Appliances – the highest EE models. May not be certified in CEC database, and may contain some "frauds" not verified by USEPA. Focus of utility EE rebate programs.

"Calif. Compliant Appliances" meeting CEC &/or Federal minimum standards, though all may not be legally certified in CEC database.

"Inefficient, Not-compliant Units" not meeting min. CEC &/or Federal minimum standards. May still be sold in CA.

A. How get these models into CEC certified database?
How ensure USEPA EnergyStarlabeled units are truly highest efficiency models in practice?

B. CEC needs to ensure models sold in Calif. get certified in CEC database. These models are not promoted via utility EE programs, so compliance must target manufacturers, retailers, &/or consumers.

C. CEC and AG need to work with manufacturers & retailers to get these models off the market.

<u>Box A</u>: We discussed having PG&E look into Box A solutions to be able to have manufacturers and/or utilities do a comparison and compliance effort to make sure the utility-promoted USEPA EnergyStar appliances are also listed/certified in the CEC database.

We also discussed CEC's plans to consult with USEAP Energy Star representatives as the latter undertakes increased efforts to add testing and/or documentation as a means to strengthen process for those models securing an EnergyStar label.

<u>Box B:</u> We did not discuss in any depth what the CEC is doing to obtain compliance with "Box B" cases. This appears to have no relation to utility EE incentive programs.

Box C: The CEC and AG's office are discussing options here.