

Revision of Energy Labelling

Proposal for a product database



Policy context: Energy Union Strategy

Broad framework based on 5 dimensions:

- Energy efficiency first
- Energy security
- Market integration
- Decarbonisation



• Research, Innovation and Competitiveness

Rethink energy efficiency as an energy source in its own right

Meeting the 2020 and 2030 targets



EU policies for energy efficiency



Financing Energy Efficiency

European Structural Investment Fund; Horizon 2020; LIFE + funding; European Fund for Strategic Investments; Member State programmes; etc.

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Achieving energy efficiency in product design



Ecodesign

setting minimum requirements

significant environmental aspects

consumer, commercial and industrial products

currently 28 regulations (+ 3 voluntary agreements) **Energy Labelling**

providing consumer information

energy + other resources in use phase

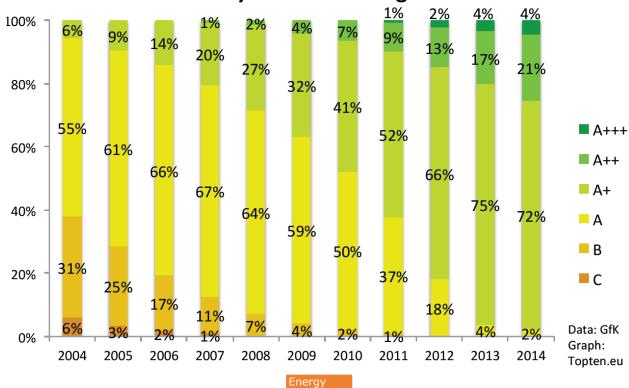
products where lack of information for end-users

currently 15 regulations



Review of ecodesign & energy label

Achieve market transformation



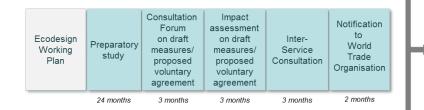
EU: efficiency classes of refrigerator sales



Review of ecodesign & energy label

Problems identified:

- reduced effectiveness of the label -> go back to A-G
- non-compliance/weak enforcement
- long rule making process
- too low level of ambition



-> product database



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Product registration database

Suppliers register the label and compliance information (which they already have) in a digital database



Commission and enforcement authorities have access

Consumers have access to public information



Benefits: enforcement /compliance



- No longer need to request documents: estimated to save up to 15% time
- No delays: improved reaction time of weeks
- Better compliance through stronger incentive and awareness for complying with the law
- Correcting *de facto* non-level playing field caused by some suppliers preparing documentation only once asked



Provides up to date data to Commission to use for revisions of regulations

- more recent data than from other sources
- quick access for updating in case of policy delays

Can function as indication of when to start review

Also of use for ecodesign revisions



Benefits: consumers



Additional benefit (no particular problem was identified)

Data available centrally

Could flag non-registered products to enforcement authorities through an app (option, not specifically foreseen in proposal)



Next steps

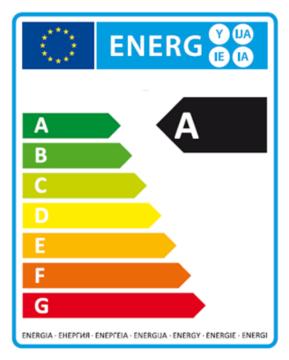
European Parliament and Council discuss proposal

Council position on 26 November maintained and further detailed the database

Parliament position in May 2016

Commission to set up database

Envisaged application January 2019







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Thank you for your attention

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