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

- **Energy Efficiency**
  - Directive 2012/27/EU
- **Energy Performance of Buildings**
  - Directive 2010/31/EU
- **Ecodesign**
  - Directive 2009/125/EC
- **Energy Labelling**
  - Directive 2010/30/EU

**Financing Energy Efficiency**

- European Structural Investment Fund; Horizon 2020; LIFE + funding;
- European Fund for Strategic Investments; Member State programmes;
  etc.
Achieving energy efficiency in product design

Supply side

Ecodesign
- setting minimum requirements
- significant environmental aspects
- consumer, commercial and industrial products
- currently 28 regulations (+ 3 voluntary agreements)

Efficient products

Energy Labelling
- providing consumer information
- energy + other resources in use phase
- products where lack of information for end-users
- currently 15 regulations

Demand side
Review of ecodesign & energy label

Achieve market transformation

EU: efficiency classes of refrigerator sales

Data: GfK
Graph: Topten.eu
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
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
Benefits: policy making

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
Thank you for your attention

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