

# ENERGY STAR Just Got Better!

## Update: Recording Heat Pump Make and Model Numbers

As you've probably heard by now, qualifying homes for the ENERGY STAR label is now easier and less expensive. However, one new step has been added: for electrically-heated homes with heat pumps, manufacturers must collect the equipment make and model numbers as added verification that a heat pump was installed with the home.

Manufacturers can collect this information by any convenient method. Usually, either the HVAC contractor/distributor or the retailer can provide this information. Plants may collect this information in any way they wish and trust—as long as there is a paper trail with the person that's reported the heat pump info identified.

To help in this process, we're providing two ways plants can record and track heat pump information:

1. Electronically: using an Excel sheet ([download here](#)) that is completed each month and emailed to the plant
2. Printed: using a form that typically would be completed by the retailer. A customizable PDF form ([download here](#)) is available for this purpose.

The manufacturer can use either, both or some other method of documenting the heat pump information, like the customer invoice.

Manufacturers will need to add the heat pump make and model numbers to the **Information Manager** (IM) record. IM is being modified to include fields for this information. We will notify you when the new version of IM is ready. In the meantime, keep a hard or electronic copy of the heat pump information.

As always, we are here to help and answer your questions.

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