

Ecodesign requirements for energy-related products. Recast

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The Commission presents a Staff Working Document regarding the establishment of a working plan under Directive 2009/125/EC (the 'Ecodesign Directive'). To recall, the Directive specifies that the Commission shall publish a working plan setting out, for the three following years, **an indicative list of energy-related product groups which will be considered priorities for the undertaking of preparatory studies and eventual adoption of implementing measures.**

The product groups that have been identified as priorities for the adoption of implementing measures were laid out in:

- Article 16 of the 2005 Ecodesign Directive (8 product groups);
- the first working plan for the period 2009-2011 (10 product groups).

Therefore, a total of 18 broad indicative product groups have been identified so far.

The **indicative list of priority product groups to be considered between 2012 and 2014** covered by this working plan is:

- window products;
- steam boilers (< 50MW);
- power cables;
- enterprises' servers, data storage and ancillary equipment;
- smart appliances/meters;
- wine storage appliances (c.f. Ecodesign Regulation (EC) 643/2009)
- water-related products.

The working plan also **establishes a list of conditional product** groups, where launching a preparatory study is dependent on the outcome of ongoing regulatory processes and/or reviews.

The **outlook** for the regulatory work to be completed is as follows:

Transitional period (2005-2008):

- the Commission plans to adopt, by the end of 2014, a further 18 implementing measures (12 ecodesign and 6 energy labelling) and recognise 2 voluntary agreements concluded by the industry, for the product groups from the transitional period);

- 11 ecodesign and energy labelling measures will be revised by 2014.

First working plan (2009-2011):

The Commission plans:

- to complete all preparatory studies launched for product groups from the first working plan;
- to adopt by the end of 2014, some 13 implementing measures (10 ecodesign and 3 energy labelling measures) and recognise 2 voluntary agreements that may be concluded by the industry, for the product groups from the first working plan.

Second working plan (2012-2014):

The Commission will initiate preparatory studies building on the indicative list of product groups identified in this working plan which will end with the study on water-related products. Depending on the outcome of the preparatory studies and the results of the impact assessments, the Commission will adopt ecodesign and/or energy labelling implementing measures.

Lastly, the Commission invites proposals for self-regulatory measures on any product group, which could deliver the policy objectives faster or in a less costly manner than mandatory requirements.