

Energy efficiency products: office and communication technology equipment, labelling programme Energy Star

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There is broad agreement between the Commission's modified proposal and the common position. The Commission supports the common position in substance. It cannot, however, agree to the new legal base proposed by the Council. The correct legal base for this proposal is Article 95, which is used for all the energy efficiency initiatives for traded goods. All these initiatives, including this proposal, have as primary objective the harmonisation of labels and efficiency requirements at Community level, thus avoiding potential barriers to trade.