

Energy Savings Scheme: Notice 05/2017

Validation of Laboratory Reports

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WHO

This ESS Notice should be read by all persons applying for acceptance of emerging lighting technologies (ELTs) under the NSW Energy Savings Scheme.



WHAT

We are commencing a new process to periodically validate the authenticity of laboratory reports we receive in applications for the acceptance of ELTs under the Commercial Lighting Energy Savings Formula and the Home Energy Efficiency Retrofits methods.



WHY

In 2016 we withdrew acceptance for several products because we identified that the laboratory reports submitted for these products were invalid. Our new systematic process will include further checks that the laboratory reports we have received are valid.



HOW

Each month we will select a sample of accepted products and send the relevant reports to the laboratories that issued them seeking confirmation of their validity.

If we do not receive a response, we will follow up with the laboratory and also ask the product applicant to assist in obtaining a response from the laboratory.

If the laboratory advises that a report is invalid, we will withdraw acceptance for the product. If the laboratory has not responded after 30 days, we will notify the applicant that we are considering withdrawing product acceptance, and give them seven days to provide any additional information before a final decision is made regarding the potential removal of acceptance of the product.



WHEN

We will commence validating laboratory reports for products accepted from 1 August 2017.



WHAT'S NEXT?

To prepare for the new process you may wish to validate laboratory reports with the issuing laboratory yourself prior to submitting them.

If you have any questions about the new process, please contact the ESS lighting team at esslighting@ipart.nsw.gov.au.