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Washing Machines sold on the **Nationality** Market will shortly be tested within the **ATLETE II**-project

Dear Market Surveillance Authority representative,

ATLETE II (Appliance Testing for Energy Label and Ecodesign Evaluation) is a project co-financed by the European Commission within the "Intelligent Energy Europe" programme. The ATLETE II project is organised between 2012 and 2014 with 11 consortium partners from around the EU.

The ATLETE II-project is carrying out a pan-European assessment of the compliance of 50 washing machines, randomly selected on the European market on the basis of agreed criteria, in the framework of the new energy labelling / ecodesign regulations through the verification of the:

- formal compliance
- compliance of the declared values through laboratory tests

For further, detailed information about the ATLETE project and the agreed procedures and criteria for selection referred to in this communication, please visit the project web-site www.atlete.eu.

By this communication, the Swedish Energy Agency, as a partner in the ATLETE II-project as well as a national market surveillance authority for ecodesign and energy labelling, wants to inform you that the washing machine(s) stated below have been selected randomly for testing within the ATLETE II-project. According to market data, these machines are available for purchase on the **Nationality** market.

Brand and model number
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The tests will be carried out by independent laboratories selected according to the procedures of the project and high standard requirements. A common test report template will be used by all laboratories. At the Atlete II-website, you are able to learn more about the selected laboratories. After the tests have been carried out, you will receive a summary of the test results and test reports for the tested model(s) available on the **Nationality** market.

We hope that these test results can be of use to you in your market surveillance activities. We appreciate your feedback on if and how these tests could be useful for you in your national surveillance activities, or, what other information you would need from us in order to be able to use them.

Best regards,

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Test Result from the ATLETE II-project on Washing Machines sold on the [Nationality] Market

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- formal compliance:
 - energy labelling documentation: presence of the label and the product fiche and reported information
 - ecodesign generic requirements: information to be provided in the booklet of instructions and other requirements
- technical compliance of the declared values – both energy labelling and ecodesign specific requirements - through laboratory tests

Before models were selected from the market, all manufacturers have been offered the possibility to sign a Voluntary Protocol for Remedy Actions by which they can decide, in case of suspected technical non-compliance after the first or the second step of testing procedure or proven formal non-compliance, to take all the remedy actions necessary to correct their declarations in accordance with the results of the testing procedure and/or to solve the identified formal non-compliant elements.

For the technical compliance verification, the applied procedure follows the two-step testing procedure defined in the EU energy labelling and ecodesign Regulations: Step 1, one unit tested; if suspected non-compliant and no voluntary remedy actions taken, Step 2 with three additional units tested. Provided the measured values for the model are within the allowed verification tolerances, the model is considered compliant. If even one measured parameter is outside the allowed verification tolerance, either remedy action is taken by the manufacturer or three additional units have been tested.

The formal compliance is assessed only on one unit of the models during Step 1.

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In March 2013, we informed you about the project plans and circulated a list of product models, available on your national market, which would be subject to our testing activities.

By this communication, the Swedish Energy Agency, as a partner in the ATLETE II-project as well as a national market surveillance authority for ecodesign and energy labelling, wants to inform you that washing machine(s):

- [yyy]

have been tested within the ATLETE II-project. The tests have been carried out by independent laboratories selected according to the procedures of the project.

Below you find the final compliance verification outcome for each model that includes laboratory test results and formal compliance analysis. When a washing machine manufacturer has taken a voluntary remedy action after Step 1 in order to correct possible declaration mistakes or make the product compliant, this is also indicated in the table. Remedy actions effectiveness has been checked as much as possible.

MODEL	TESTING LABORATORY	Formal compliance		Technical compliance	
		Generic requirement compliance	Documentation compliance		
		Ecodesign EU 1015/2010	E. Labelling EU 1061/2010	Ecodesign EU 1015/2010	E. Labelling EU 1061/2010
yyy	VDE (Germany), ISO 17025-accredited	no	yes	yes	yes

Formal non-compliance:

- xyxy

Proposed remedy actions:

Conclusions:

All the details are in the attached full test report(s). All tests reports will also be made publically available on the project website www.atelete.eu at the end of the project. In case of remedy actions taken by the manufacturer, these are also available upon request.



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The testing procedure of these models is deemed concluded. The tested units will eventually be donated to a charity (if compliant with the ecodesign requirements) or scraped in one of the recycling plants in Europe (if non-compliant with the ecodesign requirements, since the model is not allowed at the Community market).

We appreciate your feedback and information if and how you would be able to use these tests results in your own market surveillance activities.

Sincerely Yours,

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