



## TESTING AND CERTIFICATION OF HOME APPLIANCES AND INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS

To whom it may concern

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### Energy efficiency requirements

Since January 1, 2023, mandatory certification for compliance with energy efficiency requirements for AC-powered household electrical appliances has not been carried out in the Republic of Belarus.

This is due to the adoption by the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus of Resolution No. 916 dated 27.12.2022, which suspended item 3 of the list of objects of mandatory confirmation of compliance approved by Resolution No. 849 of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus dated 21.10.2016 (hereinafter referred to as Resolution No. 849).

Please note that Resolution No. 849 has not been canceled, but **SUSPENDED** in terms of mandatory requirements for energy efficiency of products.

The suspension is due to the difficulties of direct deliveries of certified products by importers from manufacturers, changes in established logistics, as well as the need to maintain a range of goods at Belarusian market. The suspension of Resolution No. 849 will lead to the appearance of no-name manufacturers on the market and the expansion of the circle of importers. At the same time, the appearance of low-price goods on the market is predicted. In such conditions, it is expected to strengthen supervision in the market over the compliance of suppliers of products with the stated requirements for energy efficiency. First of all, supervisory measures will be strengthened for products that do not have certificates of conformity.

Mandatory energy efficiency requirements may be resumed by a special decision of the Council of Ministers.

Certificates of compliance with energy efficiency requirements issued before 01.01.2023 are valid until the end of the period specified in the certificates.

In case of resumption of mandatory energy efficiency requirements and the absence of valid certificates, difficulties related to the need to obtain certificates for a significant number of products in a limited time may arise for manufacturer/ importers/ suppliers.

Certification of products for compliance with energy efficiency requirements allows not only to confirm the energy efficiency class declared by the manufacturer, but also through appropriate labeling helps consumers choose the most energy-efficient products.



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This provides an important competitive advantage of a particular manufacturer's products in the Belarusian market.

Taking into account the above, BELLIS suggests the following solutions.

1. Maintain the currently valid certificates for mass-produced products issued before January 1, 2023.

2. In respect of new products planned for delivery to the Republic of Belarus, or products for which certificates have expired, carry out voluntary certification for compliance with the requirements of energy efficiency of the state standards of the Republic of Belarus.

Voluntary certificates for mass-produced products will be issued for 5 years. The first periodic surveillance (inspection) will be not earlier than in 2 years.

3. Voluntary certificates in case of renewal of mandatory requirements for energy efficiency will be valid. If necessary, they will be promptly reissued for mandatory certificates.

Sincerely Yours,

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