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Re: Updated Certification Letter for Certification Number 38HH-20 for the BioWIN 152 Pellet Hydronic Heater Model

Dear Mr. Johann:

I am pleased to inform HIDU GmbH¹ that the above-referenced pellet hydronic heater model has been approved for renewal of a Certificate of Compliance pursuant to the 2015 New Source Performance Standard (NSPS) for New Residential Wood Heaters, New Residential Hydronic Heaters and Forced-Air Furnaces at 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart QQQQ (2015 NSPS) by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. Pursuant to the 2015 NSPS, this Certificate of Compliance is valid through February 6, 2031. This letter serves as your hydronic heater Certificate of Compliance. Please refer to the above-referenced Certificate of Compliance number in all future correspondence.

In accordance with the 2015 Wood Heater Rule at 40 CFR Part 60, § 60.5475(i)(2), a manufacturer of a heater model line may apply to EPA for renewal of the model line's Certificate of Compliance. To do so, the manufacturer may affirm in writing that the heaters in the model line continue to be similar in all material respects that would affect emissions to the representative heater submitted for testing on which the original Certificate of Compliance was based. In making such an affirmation, the manufacturer also may request a potential waiver from certification testing.

Based on a May 18, 2020,² test report prepared by RISE Research Institutes of Sweden AB (RISE) demonstrating compliance with the Integrated Duty Cycle Alternative Test Method (IDC Method),³ the

¹ On September 17, 2024, HIDU GmbH notified the EPA of its ownership transfer and the change of its name from Windhager Zentralheizung Technik GmbH to HIDU GmbH.

² Revised on June 29, 2020, April 15, 2021, September 21, 2021, June 10, 2022, and August 14, 2025.

³ January 3, 2020, letter from Steffan M. Johnson, Group Leader, Measurement Technology Group, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards to Martin Westermayer, Windhager Zentralheizung Technik GmbH. This letter approved the

EPA-approved Alternative Test Method ALT-126,⁴ the ASTM International Test Method E2515, a May 18, 2020,⁵ Certification of Conformity by RISE; and the information provided in your February 5, 2025, request for renewal of the Certificate of Compliance, EPA has determined that the model line continues to meet the certification requirements at § 60.5475. Therefore, pursuant to §§ 60.5475(i)(2) and (i)(3), EPA is renewing the Certificate of Compliance, and in doing so, the agency is waiving certification testing for the above-referenced model. You may not advertise for sale, offer for sale, or sell heaters under this Certificate of Compliance after February 6, 2031, without applying for and being issued another Certificate of Compliance with an updated expiration date.

All hydronic heaters manufactured or sold under this Certificate of Compliance must comply with the EPA labeling requirements found at § 60.5478. These provisions require each hydronic heater to have a permanent label affixed to it that includes the month and year of manufacture, model name or number, serial number, certification test emission value, test method, standard met, and compliance certification statement.

In addition, you must comply with all applicable requirements of the regulation, including:

1. Conducting a third-party certifier-approved quality assurance program that ensures that all units within a model line are similar to the hydronic heater submitted for certification testing in all respects that would affect emissions and are in compliance with the applicable emission limits in § 60.5474, pursuant to § 60.5475(m);
2. Applying for recertification whenever any change is made to the above-referenced model that affects or is presumed to affect the particulate matter emission rate for the model line, pursuant to § 60.5475(k)(1);
3. Providing an owner's manual that includes the information listed in § 60.5478(f)(1) with each hydronic heater model offered for sale;
4. Placing a copy of the full non-Confidential Business Information (non-CBI) certification test report and summary of the test report on the manufacturer's website and available to the public within 30 days after EPA issues a Certificate of Compliance, pursuant to § 60.5475(b)(12). The up-to-date non-CBI certification test report and summary (if later revised) should remain posted on the manufacturer's website for as long as the model line is manufactured and/or offered for sale in the U.S.;

request to use an alternative certification testing procedure, specifically the IDC Method. With certain caveats specified in the letter, the IDC Method was authorized because the EPA Method 28 WHHH test procedure does not address the use of pellet fuel, whereas the IDC Method does include provisions for pellet fuel. A copy of the letter can be found in Appendix 14 of the test report.

⁴ March 6, 2018, letter from Steffan M. Johnson, Group Leader, Measurement Technology Group, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards to Kelli O'Brien, Lab Manager, ClearkStak. In this letter, EPA approved an alternative to section 10.2.2 of ASTM E2515-11. A copy of the letter can be found in Appendix 14 of the test report and at the following link: <https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2020-08/documents/alt-126.pdf>.

⁵ Revised on June 29, 2020, April 19, 2021, September 22, 2021, June 22, 2022, January 31, 2025, and August 19, 2025.

5. Submitting a report to the EPA every two years following issuance of a Certificate of Compliance for each model line. This report must include the sales for each model by state and certify that no changes in the design or manufacture of this model line have been made that require recertification under § 60.5475(k);
6. Retaining records and submitting reports as required at § 60.5479; and
7. Submitting hydronic heaters for audit testing if selected by the EPA under §§ 60.5475(n)(1)(i) and (2)(i).

Failure to comply with these requirements may result in revoking this Certificate of Compliance and enforcement action, including penalties as specified under the Clean Air Act. Pursuant to the EPA-approved ATM ALT-126 and the IDC Method approval letters, you must also include both letters in the certification test report for posting on your website. To promote transparency in implementing the Wood Heater Program, we request that manufacturers submit the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) or web address where the revised test report is posted to WoodHeaterReports@epa.gov within ten (10) days of posting.

Once we have verified that the revised test report has been posted on the manufacturer's website, the agency will continue to list the above-referenced model in the [EPA-Certified Wood Heater Database](#).

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact the Wood Heater Program at WoodHeaterReports@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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