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## LG ELECTRONICS HONORED BY U.S. EPA AS 2015 ENERGY STAR® PARTNER OF THE YEAR

LG Earns Climate Communications and Sustained Excellence Awards

WASHINGTON, April 6, 2015 – LG Electronics has been recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) with the 2015 ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year-Sustained Excellence Award for continued leadership in protecting the environment through energy efficient consumer electronics and home appliance products. LG also earned the 2015 ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year-Climate Communications Award for efforts to raise consumers' awareness of the impact of climate change.

"LG values our partnership with ENERGY STAR, and it's exciting to see the positive impact LG is making with American consumers," said William Cho, President and CEO of LG Electronics USA. "We're helping consumers experience Innovation for a Better Life by creating products that deliver energy savings without sacrificing performance or style. We are committed, now more than ever, to continuing our work to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and protect the environment."

Applauding LG for its accomplishments, EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy said, "Through their sustained participation with ENERGY STAR, LG is helping Americans save money, save energy, and do their part to reduce our nation's greenhouse gas emissions that fuel climate change. I applaud LG for earning EPA's highest ENERGY STAR honor, the 2015 Partner of the Year-Sustained Excellence Award, demonstrating a strong commitment to energy efficiency and to preserving a healthy planet for future generations."

#### Commitment to ENERGY STAR Product Leadership

Recognized by the EPA as ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year for the past four years, LG is committed to developing the most innovative and energy-efficient products that provide consumers with superior performance while achieving significant energy savings and lessening the impact on the planet, Cho said.

In 2014, the company offered nearly 300 ENERGY STAR certified models in a range of product categories including clothes washers, dishwashers, refrigerators, TVs, computer monitors, room air conditioners and LED lighting. LG increased its total sales of ENERGY STAR certified products by nearly 18 percent from 2013.

LG expanded its efforts in 2014 to further promote the ENERGY STAR brand. American consumers purchased more than 1 million LG products that were awarded the "ENERGY STAR Most Efficient 2014" distinction, which helps consumers easily identify the most efficient products among those that have earned the ENERGY STAR label.

LG also celebrated a key industry milestone in 2014, introducing the ultra-efficient LG EcoHybrid™ Heat Pump Dryer, the first recipient of the coveted 2014 ENERGY STAR Emerging Technology Award. The LG EcoHybrid dryer uses 50 percent less energy compared to conventional electric dryers. LG also was the first to announce ENERGY STAR certified gas dryers in 2014, even before the new U.S. Department of Energy efficiency standards for dryers took effect in 2015.

#### Stepped-Up Community Outreach and Education Efforts

Expanding its efforts to change consumer behaviors in 2014, LG generated millions of consumer impressions with its stepped-up public education and community outreach campaigns about the impact of climate change.

Chief among them was LG's industry-leading support of EPA's first-ever community service-themed ENERGY STAR Change the World Tour, a nationwide tour bringing public and private organizations together to make a difference in people's lives through community service focused on energy efficiency. As a major technology provider for the tour, LG supported energy-saving upgrades at multiple tour stops, including installation of an ENERGY STAR Most Efficient LG 65-inch class HDTV and ENERGY STAR certified commercial clothes washers for homeless veterans at the U.S. Vets facility in Phoenix.

Throughout 2014 LG integrated key messaging about fighting climate change in creative ways. This included celebrating Earth Month on the LG billboard in the heart of New York City's Times Square where LG displayed a public service announcement (PSA) encouraging children and families to "fight climate change with TEAM ENERGY STAR." The PSA, which aired throughout April 2014, generated an estimated 18 million impressions.

Among other 2014 initiatives, LG collected more than 1,400 "Change the World-Start with ENERGY STAR" Pledges and reached more than 20,000 fans with ENERGY STAR messaging at the NCAA® Final Four® in Atlanta, leveraging LG's role as Official NCAA Corporate Partner.

### **EPA Recognizes Excellence and Leadership**

The 2015 ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year-Sustained Excellence Awards are bestowed upon organizations to recognize their contributions to reducing greenhouse gas emissions through superior energy efficiency achievements.

According to the EPA, these winners have reduced greenhouse gas emissions by setting and achieving aggressive goals, and employing innovative energy efficiency approaches. These awards recognize ongoing leadership across the ENERGY STAR program, including energy-efficient products, services, new homes, and buildings in the commercial, industrial, and public sectors.

Since its inception in 1992, ENERGY STAR and its partners have helped prevent a total of more than two billion metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions. In 2014 alone, ENERGY STAR and its partners provided more than \$12 billion in societal benefits due to reducing damages from climate change.

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## About LG Electronics USA

LG Electronics USA, Inc., based in Englewood Cliffs, N.J., is the North American subsidiary of LG Electronics, Inc., a \$56 billion global force and technology leader in consumer electronics, home appliances and mobile communications. LG Electronics, a proud 2015 ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year, sells a range of stylish and innovative home entertainment products, mobile phones, home appliances, commercial displays, air conditioning systems and solar energy solutions in the United States, all under LG's "Life's Good" marketing theme. For more news and information on LG Electronics, please visit www.LG.com.

#### About ENERGY STAR

ENERGY STAR® is the simple choice for energy efficiency achievements. For more than 20 years, people across America have looked to EPA's ENERGY STAR program for guidance on how to save energy, save money, and protect the environment. Behind each blue label is a product, building, or home that is independently certified to use less energy and cause fewer of the emissions that contribute to climate change. Today, ENERGY STAR is the most widely recognized symbol for energy efficiency in the world, helping families and businesses save \$300 billion on utility bills, while reducing greenhouse gas emissions by two billion metric tons since 1992. Join the millions who are already making a difference at energystar.gov.

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