

## **Department of Energy**

Washington, DC 20585

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Mr. Xiao Jianhua Chairman of International Accreditation Forum International Accreditation Forum

Dear Mr. Jianhua:

On behalf of the United States Department of Energy (USDOE) Advanced Manufacturing Office (AMO), I am writing to express my support of the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) "Database of Management System Certifications (Database)." The DOE AMO has made significant investment in the ISO 50001 energy management system standard development and deployment over the past 10 years. Our "50001 Ready" and "Superior Energy Performance (SEP) 50001" programs are designed to accelerate adoption of the ISO 50001 standard. Using a market-based approach we strive to grow the accredited ISO 50001 and SEP certifications. Therefore, the global database being created and sponsored by the IAF is highly complementary of the DOE ISO 50001 strategy.

Our vision is that DOE will publicly recognize on our website US organizations who hold ISO 50001 accredited certifications that are willing to be recognized. We plan to work with ANAB, an IAF Member Accreditation Body, to encourage all ISO 50001 ANAB-accredited Certification Bodies (CBs) to submit certified organization's data to the IAF database. We would also broadly promote to industry the opportunity for voluntary public USDOE recognition on our website of accredited ISO 50001 certified organizations. We believe that ISO 50001 certification recognition by USDOE on our website will serve to motivate and encourage other facilities to seek and achieve ISO 50001 certification and thus help to achieve the energy efficiency objectives of the "50001 Ready" and "SEP 50001" programs.

DOE encourages IAF to move rapidly to initiate the launch of the "Database of Management System Certifications" and encourages IAF ABs and CBs to participate in the data collection of accredited ISO management system certifications.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at paul.scheihing@ee.doe.gov.

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