

The combine strategy of U.S. and EU on electricity utilization

Brussels (Reuters) – To save the equivalent of one year electricity utilization in Ireland the European Commission and United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have set new standards for office equipments. On Wednesday the executive arm of the EU said that the new stipulations for computers and imagine equipments will come into effect from July 1 like printers and photocopiers. By using these equipments it is anticipated to save about 22 terawatt-hours (TW-h) of electricity over 4 to 6 years. The values are place under the Energy Star Certification Program for energy efficient customer products developed by the EPA and the U.S. Department of Energy.

The Energy Star logo said the equipments like computers, kitchen and building appliances will save average energy 20-30%. The Commission said that the new standards for computers and imaging appliances will anticipate saving 18 TW-h and 4 TW-h correspondingly in the European Union alone for acquire over the subsequently 3 years. EU Energy Commissioner Andris Piebalgs said in the statement “The new criteria are an important contribution to reach the EU's energy efficiency targets.” The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published statement on its website that Energy Star Equipments has delivered energy and cost savings of approximately \$19 billion to U.S. businesses and consumers in 2008.