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Who opposes DOE's light bulb rollback?

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What is the light bulb rollback?

Current federal standards require nearly all light bulbs sold in the US beginning January 1, 2020 to be more than three times more efficient than the basic incandescent light bulb invented by Thomas Edison more than a century ago (LEDs, at 8 times more efficient, far exceed the standards). President Bush signed the law establishing light bulb standards in 2007 and the Department of Energy (DOE) expanded those standards in 2017 to apply to the wide range of light bulb sizes and shapes we commonly use in our homes today. In February of 2019 DOE issued a proposal to eliminate that expanded definition which would cut in half the number of light bulbs affected by these important standards.

Organizations opposing the proposed rollback include electric utilities (42 at last count, including some of the largest in the US), representatives of state government (including a coalition of 15 state attorneys general and two cities and an organization representing the governors of 24 states) and consumer, energy-efficiency and environmental advocacy groups. In addition, over 60,000 individual citizens commented, with the vast majority opposing DOE's rollback proposal.

Energy Efficiency Organizations

- Alliance to Save Energy
- American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy
- Appliance Standards Awareness Project
- E4theFuture
- Midwest Energy Efficiency Alliance
- Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships
- Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance
- Southeast Energy Efficiency Alliance
- Southwest Energy Efficiency Project
- Vermont Energy Investment Corporation

Consumer Advocacy Organizations

- Consumer Federation of America
- Consumer Reports

- Florida Consumer Action Network
- Green Energy Consumers Alliance
- National Consumer Law Center
- National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates
- Texas Ratepayers Organization to Save Energy
- US Public Interest Research Group
- Vermont Public Interest Research Group

Environmental Advocacy Organizations

- Conservation Law Foundation
- EarthJustice
- Environment America
- Natural Resources Defense Council
- Sunrise Bay Area Hub
- Sierra Club

State and Local Government

- California Energy Commission
- California Attorney General's Office
- Colorado Office of Consumer Counsel
- Colorado Energy Office
- Colorado Attorney General's Office
- Connecticut Attorney General's Office
- Connecticut Dept of Energy & Environmental Protection
- District of Columbia Attorney General's Office
- Illinois Attorney General's Office
- Maine Attorney General's Office
- Massachusetts Attorney General's Office
- Maryland Attorney General's Office
- Michigan Attorney General's Office
- Minnesota Attorney General's Office
- National Association of State Energy Offices
- Nevada Governor's Office of Energy
- New Jersey Attorney General's Office
- New York State Legislative Commission on Science & Technology
- New York Attorney General's Office
- New York City Attorney General's Office

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New York State Public Utility Commission
North Carolina Attorney General's Office
Northwest Power & Conservation Council
Oregon Attorney General's Office
US Climate Alliance (coalition of 24 governors of states comprising 60% of US population)
15 US Senators
Vermont Attorney General's Office
Washington - Dept of Commerce
Washington Attorney General's Office

Utilities

Ameren Missouri
American Electric Power
Arizona Public Service
Austin Energy
Berkshire Hathaway Energy
California Municipal Utilities Association
Cedarburg Light & Water Utility
Chelan County PUD
Con Edison
Consumers Energy
CPS Energy
Dominion Energy
Duke Energy
DTE Energy
Entergy
Eversource
Exelon Corporation
Green Mountain Power
Hawaiian Electric
Idaho Power
Kerville PUB
Lincoln Electric System
Long Island Power Authority
Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
National Grid
New York Power Authority
NorthWestern Energy
Pacific Gas and Electric

Portland General Electric
PNM Resources
Puget Sound Energy
Public Service Electric and Gas
Sacramento Municipal Utility District
San Diego Gas and Electric
Seattle City Light
Snohomish Public Utility District
Southern California Edison
Tacoma Public Utilities
Tucson Electric Power
Vistra Energy
Xcel Energy

Businesses

CERES BICEP Network (coalition of more than 50 businesses including several Fortune 500 companies)
Hannon Armstrong
Johnson Controls
Schneider Electric

Other

American Chemical Society
Design Lights Consortium
Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment, UCLA School of Law

Who supports DOE's rollback?

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National Electrical Manufacturers Association
American Lighting Association
GE
LEDVANCE (formerly Sylvania)
Lucidity Lights
Signify (formerly Philips Lighting)
Westinghouse