
Termination date of the efficiency trademark (EFF1, EFF2, EFF3) on 10th of February 2010

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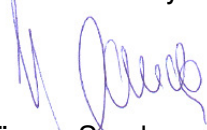
Dear Madam or Sir

The Voluntary Agreement of CEMEP defined three efficiency classes (EFF1, EFF2 and EFF3) for low-voltage three-phase motors. It was launched in 1998 and quite successful. For this reason it was renewed in 2006 for another 3 years. The efficiency classification system has been introduced and well-proven in many countries all over the world. They unfortunately differ from each other in terms of scope, wording and values. That was the reason for the International Electro technical Commission IEC to develop and publish an energy efficiency standard which replaces all the different national issues. The new standard IEC 60034-30 defines and harmonizes worldwide the efficiency classes IE1, IE2 and IE3 for low-voltage three-phase motors.

In the meantime the Voluntary Agreement has expired. The EFF-trademarks (EFF1, EFF2 and EFF3) are a registered trademark by Gimélec (French motors and drive association) on behalf of CEMEP. The European trademark was registered on 10/02/2000 under reference number 001500958. Each participant of the Voluntary Agreement (motor manufacturer) signed a licence agreement. The participant is licensed to use the EFF-trademark until 10th of February 2010. After the termination date the use is not permitted any longer.

Please be informed that from 10th of February 2010 new motors, which are placed on the market, are not allowed using the EFF-trademarks (EFF1, EFF2 and EFF3)*. We recommend using the new efficiency classes of IEC 60034-30 (IE-code).

Yours sincerely



Jürgen Sander
President



Bernhard Sattler
Secretary

** The only exception of this strict termination date could be a national energy-saving program, which is linked to the class EFF1.*

Previous efficiency classes of motors in Europe	New international efficiency classes of motors
EFF3 = Low Efficiency	
EFF2 = Improved Efficiency	IE1 = Standard Efficiency (comparable to EFF2)
EFF1 = High Efficiency	IE2 = High Efficiency (comparable to EFF1)
	IE3 = Premium Efficiency