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### AHAM PUBLISHES STANDARDS FOR PORTABLE AIR CONDITIONERS AND FOOD WASTE DISPOSERS

**WASHINGTON, D.C. (September 28, 2009)**—The Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) has received approval of the ANSI/AHAM PAC-1-2009, performance standard for Portable Air Conditioners from the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). This approval establishes the ANSI/AHAM PAC-1-2009 as the American National Standard.

This standard establishes a procedure for measuring specified characteristics of Portable Air Conditioners. The standard methods and the recommended levels of performance, where they appear, are intended to provide a means to compare and evaluate different brands and models of Portable Air Conditioners regarding characteristics significant to product use. This standard is equivalent to the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) standard, CSA C370 Cooling Performance Standard for Portable Air Conditioners.

Also, AHAM has published a revised technical standard for Food Waste Disposers, known as AHAM FWD-1-2009. This standard establishes a uniform, repeatable procedure or standard method for measuring specified product characteristics of household Food Waste Disposers.

AHAM is an accredited Standards Development Organization (SDO) through ANSI.

The ANSI/AHAM PAC-1-2009 and AHAM FWD-1-2009 standards along with all other AHAM standards are available for purchase online at <http://www.aham.org/ht/d/Store/name/MAJOR/pid/>.

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