

## FY2005 Market Monitoring Test Results

### Sample purchase test related to the Household Goods Quality Labeling Law “Desktop fluorescent lamp stands”

(National Institute of Technology and Evaluation)

In FY2005, NITE conducted a sample purchase test of “Desktop fluorescent lamp stands” to confirm their compliance with the quality labeling regulations for electric appliances (hereinafter referred to as “labeling regulations”) under the Household Goods Quality Labeling Law.

NITE purchased 13 sample lamp stands available in the market for the test. These products are required to indicate uses and illuminance, type of fluorescent lamp, total luminous flux, electric energy consumption, energy consumption efficiency, handling precautions, labeler’s name, etc. Following results, 7 samples were deemed noncompliant with the labeling regulations.

Noncompliance items included improper labeling for uses categorized by illuminance, and indicated illuminance values that were lower than actual illuminance.

Details of the noncompliance items are as follows:

Particulars to be declared	Noncompliant details	# of samples (*)
Uses and illuminance	For uses, “reading” was indicated where it should have indicated “precision work”	4
	The indicated illuminance value was lower than the measured value.	3
Type of fluorescent lamp	Inadequate symbols for illuminant color and color rendering properties	3
Energy consumption efficiency	Failure to indicate values to the first decimal place.	2

(\*) Each noncompliant item is counted cumulatively when a product has multiple noncompliant items.

NITE presented the test results to noncompliant labelers and conducted hearings with them for their opinions and measures to be taken. The results of the hearings, together with the test results, were reported to the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI). Based on the test result, METI has given administrative guidance to the relevant labelers.