

Comment from METI on
Draft 1- ENERGY STAR® EPS Specification (Version 2.0)

The EPS specification is currently referred in several ENERGY STAR specifications for office equipments. With regard to this, we would like to confirm and request the following.

Imaging Equipment

Under the version 1.0 specification, qualified imaging equipments are required to have EPS, DFE and/or telephone handset which are ENERGY STAR qualified or meet ENERGY STAR performance criteria, when they are shipped together.

At the same time, these DFE and telephone handsets are also required to have such EPS to earn ENERGY STAR, when applicable.

In the light of the above condition as well as from the cover letter and Draft 1 of EPS v2.0, we understand that the EPS v2.0 requirement for imaging equipments will become effective only after the Tier 2 effective date of IE specification. In other words, until the Tier 2 of IE specification comes into effect, qualified imaging equipments are allowed to be shipped with EPS (v1.1), DFE + EPS (v1.1), and/or telephone handset + EPS (v1.1).

Computer

Under the version 4.0 specification, qualified computers are required to have EPS which are ENERGY STAR qualified or meet ENERGY STAR performance criteria, if applicable.

In the light of the above condition as well as from the cover letter and the Draft 1, we understand that the EPS v2.0 requirement for computers will become effective only after the Tier 2 effective date of computer specification.

Testing voltage of EPS

Currently, when EPS are shipped with other ENERGY STAR qualified products, these EPS are required to be either 1) ENERGY STAR qualified models or 2) those meeting the performance criteria.

We propose to include a statement representing the items below in EPS v2.0 specification as a solution for the issue on testing voltage of EPS.

- In the case of 1) above, EPS shall be tested at 115V & 230V, as it is now.
- In the case of 2) above, EPS shall be tested at either the 115V & 230V as in 1) or a voltage which the main product (e.g., IE, computer, and telephone handset) is tested at.

