



# ENERGY STAR® Program Requirements for Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment

## Eligibility Criteria Draft 1, Version 2.0

1 Following is the Draft 1 Version 2.0 ENERGY STAR product specification for Electric Vehicle Supply  
2 Equipment. A product shall meet all the identified criteria if it is to earn the ENERGY STAR.

### 3 1 DEFINITIONS

4 A) Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE): The conductors, including the ungrounded, grounded,  
5 and equipment grounding conductors, the electric vehicle connectors, attachment plugs, and all other  
6 fittings, devices, power outlets, or apparatuses installed specifically for the purpose of transferring  
7 energy between the premises wiring (if available) to the electric vehicle. Charging cords with NEMA  
8 5-15P and NEMA 5-20P attachment plugs are considered EVSEs. Excludes conductors, connectors,  
9 and fittings that are part of the vehicle.<sup>1</sup>

10 1) Level 1: A galvanically connected EVSE with a single-phase input voltage nominally 120 volts AC  
11 and maximum output current less than or equal to 50 amperes AC.<sup>2</sup>

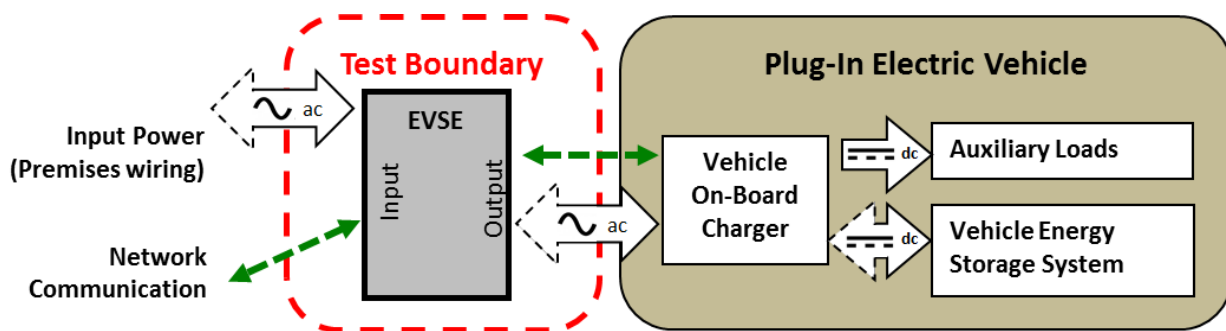
12 **Note:** The EPA updated the Level 1 EVSE definition to harmonize with the revised SAE J1772 standard.

13 2) Level 2: A galvanically connected EVSE with a single-phase input voltage range from 208 to 240  
14 volts AC and maximum output current less than or equal to 80 amperes AC.<sup>2</sup>

15 3) DC-output: A method that uses dedicated direct current (DC) electric vehicle/plug-in hybrid  
16 electric vehicle (EV/PHEV) supply equipment to provide energy from an appropriate off-board  
17 charger to the EV/PHEV in either private or public locations.<sup>3</sup>

18 4) Wireless / Inductive: An EVSE which transfers energy to the vehicle without a galvanic  
19 connection between the vehicle and EVSE.

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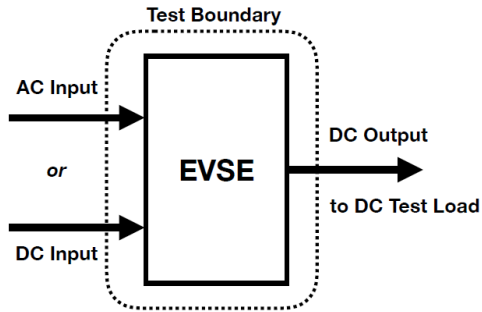


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22 **Figure 1: Schematic of Overall Plug-In Vehicle Charging System Detailing EVSE Test Boundary**

<sup>1</sup> SAE J2894-1 Section 3.10.

<sup>2</sup> This definition is intended to be consistent with the requirements in SAE J1772, with some additional clarifications.

<sup>3</sup> SAE International, Surface Vehicle Standard J1772, “SAE Electric Vehicle and Plug in Hybrid Electric Vehicle Conductive Charge Coupler”, Jan. 2024, Section 3.11.



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24 **Figure 2: Schematic of DC-Output EVSE Test Boundary**  
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26 B) EVSE Functions:

- 27 1) Primary Function: Providing current to a connected load.  
28 2) Secondary Function: Function that enables, supplements, or enhances a primary function. For  
29 EVSE, examples of Secondary Functions are:  
30 a) Automatic Brightness Control (ABC): The self-acting mechanism that controls the brightness  
31 of a display or lamp as a function of ambient light.  
32 b) Full Network Connectivity: The ability of the EVSE to maintain network presence while in  
33 Partial On Mode.

34 Note: Presence of the EVSE's network services, its applications, and possibly its display is  
35 maintained even if some components of the EVSE are powered down. The EVSE can elect  
36 to change power states based on receipt of network data from remote network devices but  
37 should otherwise stay in a low power mode absent a demand for services from a remote  
38 network device.

- 39 c) Occupancy Sensing: Detection of human or object presence in front of or in the area  
40 surrounding an EVSE.  
41 d) Communicating with the vehicle;  
42 e) Illumination of display, indicator lights, or ambient lighting;  
43 f) Public access control (RFID card, authorization, etc.);  
44 g) Control Pilot Signal; and  
45 h) Wake-up function.  
46 3) Tertiary Function: Function other than a primary or a secondary function.  
47 Example: An EMC filter and status indication provides their function in No Vehicle Mode, Partial  
48 On Mode, and On Mode.  
49 4) In-use: Indicates the presence of a feature that is enabled and ready to provide a service in  
50 standby mode even if other components of the EVSE are powered down. The feature must not be  
51 disabled by hardware or software during testing.

52 C) DC-output EVSE Product Configurations:

53 1) Distributed Product Configuration: A DC-output EVSE that has its functional components  
54 distributed between more than one separate enclosure.

55 a) Minimum Distributed Product Configuration: The minimum configuration of a DC-output  
56 EVSE which provides current to a connected load. The product may have more than one  
57 port.

58 2) All-in-One Product Configuration: A DC-output EVSE that has all its components in one  
59 enclosure.

60 D) EVSE Operational Modes and Power States:

61 Note: The transition period to a different mode; whether automatically initiated, or via user action;  
62 does not constitute a mode.

63 1) Disconnected: Condition of the equipment during which all connections to power sources  
64 supplying the equipment are removed or galvanically isolated and no functions depending on  
65 those power sources are provided. The term power source includes power sources external and  
66 internal to the equipment.

67 2) No Vehicle Mode: Condition during which the equipment is connected to external power and the  
68 product is physically disconnected from vehicle (mode can only be entered or exited through  
69 manual intervention). No Vehicle Mode is intended to be the lowest-power mode of the EVSE.

70 Note: The vehicle-EVSE interface is in State A of SAE J1772, where the vehicle is not  
71 connected.<sup>4</sup>

72 3) On Mode: Condition during which the equipment provides the primary function or can promptly  
73 provide the primary function.

74 a) Operation Mode: Condition during which the equipment is performing the primary function.

75 Note: The vehicle-EVSE interface is in State C, where the vehicle is connected and accepting  
76 energy.<sup>4</sup>

77 b) Idle Mode: Condition during which the equipment can promptly provide the primary function  
78 but is not doing so.

79 Note: Idle Mode is the condition within On Mode where the EVSE is connected to the vehicle  
80 or vehicle simulator but is not actively providing current. The vehicle-EVSE interface is in  
81 State C, where the vehicle is connected and ready to accept energy.<sup>4</sup>

82 4) Partial On Mode: Condition during which the equipment provides at least one secondary function  
83 but no primary function.

84 Note: The vehicle-EVSE interface is in State B1 or B2, where the vehicle is connected but not  
85 ready to accept energy and the EVSE is or is not ready to supply energy.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>4</sup> This mode is intended to be associated with a vehicle/EVSE interface state (e.g., A, B, or C) as defined in SAE J1772.

Table 1: Operational Modes and Power States

Operational Modes	Most closely related Interface State as Defined in SAE J1772	Further Description
No Vehicle Mode	State A	No Vehicle Mode is associated with State A, or where the EVSE is not connected to the EV. The EVSE is connected to external power.
Partial On Mode	State B1 or State B2	Partial On Mode is associated with State B1 or State B2 where the vehicle is connected but is not ready to accept energy. Sub-state B1 is where the EVSE is <b>not</b> ready to supply energy and sub-state B2 is where the EVSE is ready to supply energy.
Idle Mode	State C	Idle Mode is associated with State C, where the vehicle is connected and ready to accept energy and the EVSE is capable of promptly providing current to the EV but is not doing so.
Operation Mode	State C	Operation Mode is associated with State C, where the EVSE is providing the primary function, or providing current to a connected load (i.e., the relay is closed, and the vehicle is drawing current).

88 E) Other:

89 1) Apparent power (S): The product of RMS voltage and RMS current, which is equal to magnitude  
90 of the complex power, and measured in volt-amperes (VA).

91 2) Average Power (P) (also Real Power): The power in a circuit which is transformed from electric to  
92 non-electric energy and is measured in watts (W). For a two-terminal device with instantaneous  
93 current and voltage waveforms  $i(t)$  and  $v(t)$  which are periodic with period  $T$ , the real or average  
94 power  $P$  is<sup>5</sup>:

$$P = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T v(t)i(t)dt$$

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96 3) Power Factor (PF): The ratio of the average power (P) in watts to the apparent power (S) in volt-  
97 amperes.

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$$PF = \frac{P}{S}$$

99 4) Unit Under Test (UUT): The specific sample of a representative model undergoing measurement  
100 which includes the base product and any accessories packaged with it.

101 5) Illuminance: The luminous flux per unit area of light illuminating a given surface, expressed in  
102 units of lux (lx).

103 6) Luminance: The photometric measure of the luminous intensity per unit area of light travelling in a  
104 given direction, expressed in candelas per square meter (cd/m<sup>2</sup>).

<sup>5</sup> Average power is intended to align with the definition of real power in SAE J2894.

- 105 7) High Resolution Display: A screen device that converts a video signal into a visual output and is  
106 capable of displaying a minimum of 480x234 native resolution and has a backlight (e.g., LCD  
107 panel, OLED panel).
- 108 8) Speaker: A transducer that transforms electromagnetic waves into audio output.
- 109 9) Power Line Communication (PLC) Board: Allows power lines to be used for data communication  
110 by transferring data over existing power lines.
- 111 10) Credit Card Reader: A scanner, reader, or any other electronic device that is used to access,  
112 read, scan, obtain, memorize, or store, temporarily or permanently, information encoded on the  
113 magnetic strip or stripe of a payment card or via information transferred via a contactless  
114 connection using radio frequency identification (RFID) technology or near-field communication  
115 (NFC)<sup>6</sup>.
- 116 11) Radio Frequency Identification Card (RFID): A card that communicates with a reader through  
117 radio-frequency electromagnetic fields and is capable of transmitting payment information<sup>7</sup>.
- 118 12) Revenue Grade Meter (RGM): A meter that meets the requirements outlined in the NIST  
119 Handbook 44: Specifications, Tolerances, and Other Technical Requirements for Weighting and  
120 Measuring Devices, Section 3.40, Electric Vehicle Fueling Systems.<sup>8</sup>
- 121 13) Plug and Charge: A method of initiating charging, whereby an EV charging customer plugs a  
122 connector into their vehicle and their identity is authenticated through digital certificates defined  
123 by ISO-15118, a charging session initiates, and a payment is transacted automatically, without  
124 any other customer actions required at the point of use<sup>10</sup>.

125 **Note:** The EPA added a definition for Plug and Charge to harmonize with the National Electric Vehicle  
126 Infrastructure (NEVI) – 23 CFR 680

- 127 F) Product Family: A group of product models that are (1) made by the same manufacturer, (2) subject  
128 to the same ENERGY STAR certification criteria, and (3) of a common basic design. Product models  
129 within a family differ from each other according to one or more characteristics or features that either  
130 (1) have no impact on product performance with regard to ENERGY STAR certification criteria, or (2)  
131 are specified herein as acceptable variations within a Product Family. For EVSE, including Distributed  
132 Product Configuration DC-output EVSE, acceptable variations within a Product Family include the  
133 following, as long as the variation does not impact the product's ability to meet all requirements:
- 134 1) Color,  
135 2) Output cable,  
136 3) Housing,  
137 4) Electronic components other than the motherboard, and  
138 5) Firmware updates,
- 139 G) **Acronyms:**
- 140 1) A: Ampere  
141 2) ABC: Automatic Brightness Control  
142 3) AC: Alternating Current  
143 4) DC: Direct Current  
144 5) DOE: U.S. Department of Energy

<sup>6</sup> 23 CFR 680.104 and 23 CFR 680.106(f)

<sup>7</sup> [EVSE Att A - Final Reg. Order \(ca.gov\)](#)

<sup>8</sup> NIST Handbook 44: Specifications, Tolerances, and Other Technical Requirements for Weighting and Measuring Devices, Section 3.40, Electric Vehicle Fueling Systems

- 145 6) DR: Demand Response
- 146 7) EPA: Environmental Protection Agency
- 147 8) EVSE: Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment
- 148 9) IEC: International Electrotechnical Commission
- 149 10) IEEE: Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
- 150 11) NEMA: National Electrical Manufacturers Association
- 151 12) SAE: Society of Automotive Engineers
- 152 13) UUT: Unit Under Test
- 153 14) V: Volt
- 154 15) W: Watt

## 155 2 SCOPE

### 156 2.1 Included Products

157 2.1.1 Products that meet the definition for EVSE as specified herein are eligible for ENERGY STAR  
158 certification, with the exception of products listed in Section 2.2. In addition, eligible EVSE shall  
159 fall into one of the following categories:

- 160 i. Level 1 EVSE.
- 161 ii. Level 2 EVSE.
- 162 iii. Dual Input Level 1 and Level 2 EVSE.
- 163 iv. DC-output EVSE with output power less than or equal to 850 kW.

164 **Note:** The EPA is proposing to expand the scope of the DC EVSE standard up to 850kW due to the  
165 rapidly growing installation of high-powered charging systems. Two test labs have the capacity to test  
166 EVSEs with output power up to 800kW with others in the process of developing similar capabilities. The  
167 EPA understands that the existing test methodology can be extended to products up to maximum output  
168 power of 850kW as the high-powered units have multiple smaller modular power converters put together.  
169 Beyond 850kW, products are subject to different safety requirements which would require development of  
170 a new test procedure. The utility requirements for transformers and protection equipment for testing  
171 EVSE beyond 850kW are different and also have a higher output power rating beyond 1MVA in terms of  
172 sizing.

### 173 2.2 Excluded Products

174 2.2.1 Products that are covered under other ENERGY STAR product specifications are not eligible for  
175 certification under this specification. The list of specifications currently in effect can be found at  
176 [www.energystar.gov/specifications](http://www.energystar.gov/specifications).

177 2.2.2 The following products are not eligible for certification under this specification:

- 178 i. DC-output EVSE with power greater than 850 kW.
- 179 ii. Pantograph EVSE (chargers with an automated connection system, or ACS).
- 180 iii. Wireless/Inductive EVSE.
- 181 iv. Medium voltage AC input supply EVSE (13.2 kV).
- 182 v. Power electronic components inside the vehicle.

183 **3 CERTIFICATION CRITERIA**

184 **3.1 Significant Digits and Rounding**

- 185 3.1.1 All calculations shall be carried out with actual measured (unrounded) values. Only the final result
- 186 of a calculation shall be rounded.
- 187 3.1.2 Unless otherwise specified within this specification, compliance with specification limits shall be
- 188 evaluated using exact values without any benefit from rounding.
- 189 3.1.3 Directly measured or calculated values that are submitted for reporting on the ENERGY STAR
- 190 website shall be rounded to the nearest significant digit as expressed in the corresponding
- 191 specification limit.

192 **3.2 General Requirements**

- 193 3.2.1 Each EVSE shall be Listed by a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) for safety in
- 194 order to be eligible to receive ENERGY STAR certification.
- 195 3.2.2 Dual Input Level 1 and Level 2 EVSE shall meet all requirements and report information in both
- 196 configurations.

197 **3.3 No Vehicle Mode Requirements for Level 1 and Level 2 EVSE**

198 Note: These requirements refer to the SAE J1772 State A.

- 199 3.3.1 Measured No Vehicle Mode power ( $P_{NO\_VEHICLE}$ ) for Level 1 and Level 2 EVSE shall be less than
- 200 or equal to the Maximum No Vehicle Mode Power Requirement ( $P_{NO\_VEHICLE\_MAX}$ ), as calculated
- 201 per Equation 1, subject to the following requirements.
- 202 i. For products with ABC enabled by default, the average No Vehicle Mode power in high and
- 203 low illuminance conditions shall be used in place of  $P_{NO\_VEHICLE}$ , above.
- 204 ii. For products capable of network connection with multiple protocols (e.g., Wi-Fi and Cellular),
- 205 at least one connection must be enabled.

206 **Equation 1: Calculation of Maximum No Vehicle Mode Power Requirement**

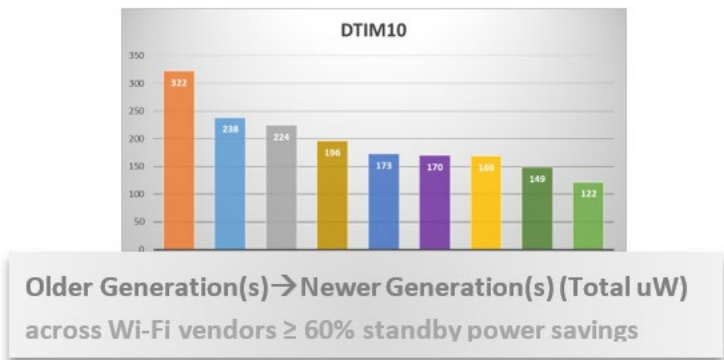
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$$P_{NO\_VEHICLE\_MAX} = 4.95 + P_{ISO\ 15118}$$

208 *Where:*

- 209 ▪  $P_{NO\_VEHICLE\_MAX}$  is the Maximum No Vehicle Mode Power
- 210 Requirement;
- 211 ▪  $P_{ISO\ 15118}$  is the ISO 15118 PLC board power allowance of 1W per
- 212 port.

213 **Note:** The EPA reviewed existing data for standby mode energy consumption and observed that 187 of  
 214 the 354 models certified had actual energy consumption that is 30% below the energy consumption limit  
 215 for No Vehicle Mode. While determining the revised base allowance, the EPA also ensured that both  
 216 public and private models meet the revised requirements. Most models in the dataset have a display and  
 217 as such the same has been factored into the revised base allowance eliminating the need for the display  
 218 adder. The proposed criteria result in a pass rate of 70% of the already certified models (not accounting  
 219 for the ISO 15118 adder) with at least 1 certified model from 119 unique manufacturers. All the 9 models  
 220 demonstrating ISO 15118 readiness per the Version 1.2 requirements in the dataset meet the Version 2.0  
 221 proposed criteria once the ISO 15118 adder is added.

222 During stakeholder conversations the EPA also received feedback that energy consumption of Wi-Fi has  
 223 dropped significantly with the newer chipsets as outlined in the graph below. The feedback also indicated  
 224 that the EVSE equipped with Wi-Fi can operate with DTIM10 mode. DTIM10 means that devices will  
 225 wake up to receive the beacons within 3 milliseconds after sleeping for 102ms X 10 = ~1s. The figure  
 226 below from Infineon Technologies shows that energy consumption for the majority of Wi-Fi chip vendors  
 227 with a typical configuration of 2x 2 MIMO, 80MHz Bandwidth, 5GHz Band at DTIM10 mode is much less  
 228 than 0.1W, or orders of magnitude lower than 0.1W, eliminating the need for connectivity adders. Similar  
 229 updates are also made to Partial On Mode adders for Level 1 and Level 2 EVSE.



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231 **3.4 Partial On Mode Requirements for Level 1 and Level 2 EVSE**

232 Note: These requirements refer to the SAE J1772 State B1 or State B2.

233 3.4.1 Measured Partial On Mode power ( $P_{PARTIAL\_ON}$ ) for Level 1 and Level 2 EVSE shall be less than or  
 234 equal to the Maximum Partial On Mode Power Requirement ( $P_{PARTIAL\_ON\_MAX}$ ), as calculated per  
 235 Equation 2, subject to the following requirements.

- 236 i. For products with ABC enabled by default, the average Partial On Mode power in high and  
 237 low illuminance conditions shall be used in place of  $P_{PARTIAL\_ON}$ , above.
- 238 ii. For products capable of network connection with multiple protocols (e.g., Wi-Fi and Cellular),  
 239 at least one connection must be enabled.

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**Equation 2: Calculation of Maximum Partial On Mode Power Requirement**

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$$P_{PARTIAL\_ON\_MAX} = 4.95 + P_{ISO\ 15118}$$

243 Where:

- 244 ▪  $P_{PARTIAL\_ON\_MAX}$  is the Maximum Partial On Mode Power  
 245 Requirement;
- 246 ▪  $P_{ISO\ 15118}$  is the ISO 15118 PLC board power allowance of 1W per  
 247 port.



### 248 3.5 Idle Mode Requirements for Level 1 and Level 2 EVSE

249 Note: These requirements refer to the SAE J1772 State C.

250 3.5.1 Measured Idle Mode power ( $P_{IDLE}$ ) for Level 1 and Level 2 EVSE shall be less than or equal to the  
251 Maximum Idle Mode Power Requirement ( $P_{IDLE\_MAX}$ ), as calculated per Equation 3, subject to the  
252 following requirements.

- 253 i. For products with ABC enabled by default, the average Idle Mode power in high and low  
254 illuminance conditions shall be used in place of  $P_{IDLE}$ , above.
- 255 ii. For products capable of network connection with multiple protocols (e.g., Wi-Fi and Cellular),  
256 at least one connection must be enabled.

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#### 258 Equation 3: Calculation of Maximum Idle Mode Power Requirement

$$259 P_{IDLE\_MAX} = (0.07 \times \text{Max Current}) + 4.95 + P_{ISO\ 15118}$$

260 Where:

- 261 ▪  $P_{IDLE\_MAX}$  is the Maximum Idle Mode Power Requirement, in  
262 watts;
- 263 ▪ Max Current is the Nameplate Maximum Output Current, in  
264 amperes;
- 265 ▪  $P_{ISO\ 15118}$  is the ISO 15118 PLC board power allowance of 1W per  
266 port.

267 **Note:** The EPA observed that the actual energy consumption for 318 of the 354 certified models was  
268 more than 50% lower than the current energy consumption limit in the Idle Mode. This can be attributed to  
269 the technological advancements and use of better solid-state relays over time. Hence, the EPA is  
270 proposing more efficient Idle Mode requirements to ensure recognition of models with the newer  
271 technology.

### 272 3.6 No Vehicle Mode Requirements for DC-output EVSE

273 Note: These requirements refer to SAE J1772 State A (No Vehicle Mode).

274 3.6.1 Measured No Vehicle Mode Power ( $P_{NO\_VEHICLE}$ ) shall be less than or equal to the Maximum No  
275 Vehicle Mode Power ( $P_{NO\_VEHICLE\_MAX}$ ) as calculated per Equation 4, subject to the following  
276 requirements.

- 277 i. For products with ABC enabled by default, the average No Vehicle Mode power in high and  
278 low illuminance conditions shall be used in place of  $P_{NO\_VEHICLE}$ , above.
- 279 ii. For Distributed Product Configuration DC-output EVSE, No Vehicle Mode Power shall be  
280 tested and reported for the Minimum Distributed Product Configuration.

#### 281 Equation 4: Calculation of Maximum No Vehicle Mode Requirement for DC-output EVSE

$$282 P_{NO\_VEHICLE\_MAX} = (31 \times \ln(\text{Max Power})) - 54.3 + P_{BMS}$$

283 Where:

- 284 ▪  $P_{NO\_VEHICLE\_MAX}$  is the Maximum No Vehicle Mode Power  
285 Requirement, in watts;
- 286 ▪ Max Power is the Nameplate Maximum Output Power, in  
287 kilowatts;
- 288 ▪  $P_{BMS}$  is the No Vehicle Mode power allowance for a battery  
289 management system in EVSE with integrated battery pack that  
290 cannot be disabled during testing.

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**Table 2: No Vehicle Mode Power Allowances for DC-output EVSE**

Product Function	No Vehicle Mode Power Allowance (watts, rounded to the nearest 0.1 W for reporting)
Battery Management System ( $P_{BMS}$ )	15 W for DC EVSE with integrated battery that cannot be disabled.

292 **Note:** Most DC EVSE in the market have a display for user convenience. The EPA analyzed No Vehicle  
 293 Mode data and updated the equation to eliminate display adders. The proposed standby mode  
 294 requirements result in additional savings with 80% pass rate among the already certified models. Similar  
 295 updates are made to the Partial On Mode equation.

296 **3.7 Partial On Mode Requirements for DC-output EVSE**

297 Note: These requirements refer to SAE J1772 State B1 or B2 (Partial On Mode).

298 3.7.1 Partial On Mode Power ( $P_{PARTIAL\_ON}$ ) for DC-output EVSE shall be less than or equal to the  
 299 Maximum Partial On Mode Power ( $P_{PARTIAL\_ON\_MAX}$ ) as calculated per Equation 5, subject to the  
 300 following requirements.

- 301 i. For products with ABC enabled by default, the average Partial On Mode power in high and  
 302 low illuminance conditions shall be used in place of ( $P_{PARTIAL\_ON}$ ), above.
- 303 ii. For Distributed Product Configuration DC-output EVSE, Partial On Mode Power shall be  
 304 tested and reported for the Minimum Distributed Product Configuration.

305 **Equation 5: Calculation of Maximum Partial On Mode Requirement for DC-output EVSE**

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$$P_{PARTIAL\_ON\_MAX} = (31 \times \ln(Max\ Power)) - 54.3 + P_{BMS}$$

307 Where:

- 308 ▪  $P_{PARTIAL\_ON\_MAX}$  is the Maximum Partial On Mode Power  
 309 Requirement, in watts;
- 310 ▪ Max Current is the Nameplate Maximum Output Power, in  
 311 kilowatts;
- 312 ▪  $P_{BMS}$  is the Partial On Mode power allowance for a battery  
 313 management system in EVSE with integrated battery pack that  
 314 cannot be disabled during testing.

315 **Table 3: Partial On Mode Power Allowances for DC-output EVSE**

Product Function	Partial On Mode Power Allowance (watts, rounded to the nearest 0.1 W for reporting)
Battery Management System ( $P_{BMS}$ )	15 W for DC EVSE with integrated battery that cannot be disabled.

316 **3.8 Operation Mode Requirements for DC-output EVSE**

317 3.8.1 Average loading-adjusted efficiency ( $Eff_{AVG}$ ) for all DC-output EVSE as calculated per Equation 6,  
 318 shall be greater than or equal to the Minimum Average Efficiency ( $Eff_{AVG\_MIN}$ ) in Table 7.

- 319 i. For Distributed Product Configuration DC-output EVSE, average loading-adjusted efficiency  
 320 shall be tested and reported for the Minimum Distributed Product Configuration.

321 3.8.2 The average loading-adjusted efficiency ( $Eff_{AVG}$ ) shall be calculated per Equation 6.

322 **Equation 6: Calculation of Average Loading-Adjusted Efficiency**

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$$Eff_{AVG} = 0.25 \times Eff_{25\%} + 0.25 \times Eff_{50\%} + 0.25 \times Eff_{75\%} + 0.25 \times Eff_{100\%}$$

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Where:

- *Eff<sub>25%</sub> is the efficiency at the 25% loading condition (Loading Condition 1 per Table 3 of the ENERGY STAR Test Method),*
- *Eff<sub>50%</sub> is the efficiency at the 50% loading condition (Loading Condition 2 per Table 3 of the ENERGY STAR Test Method),*
- *Eff<sub>75%</sub> is the efficiency at the 75% loading condition (Loading Condition 3 per Table 3 of the ENERGY STAR Test Method),*  
*and*
- *Eff<sub>100%</sub> is the efficiency at the 100% loading condition (Loading Condition 6 per Table 3 of the ENERGY STAR Test Method).*

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**Table 4: Minimum Average Loading-Adjusted Efficiency requirement for DC-output EVSE with Output Power ≤ 850 kW**

Minimum Average Efficiency (Eff <sub>AVG_MIN</sub> )
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**Table 5: Minimum Efficiency requirement for DC-output EVSE with Output Power > 200 kW**

Minimum Average Efficiency at 50kW loading condition
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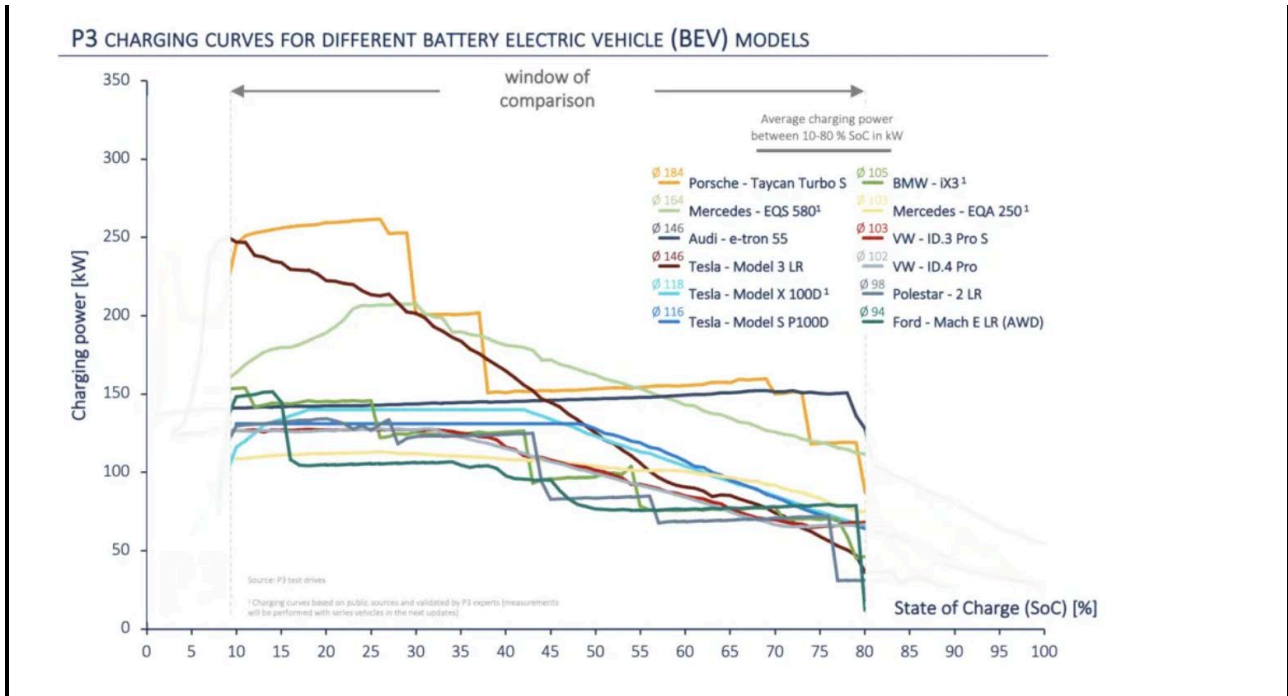
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**Note:** The EPA is proposing to extend On Mode requirements across the scope of the DC EVSE specification instead of the previous 65kW limit. Most EVSE's are comprised of modular power converter units making it possible to extend the criteria to 850kW using the same test methodology. The EPA is also intending to test products only in temperate climate conditions (68° F) which will reduce testing burden. Test data collected over the course of Version 1 specification indicated that the product efficiency does not vary significantly with climatic conditions eliminating the need for temperature testing. The EPA proposes to increase the minimum average loading adjusted efficiency limit in the On Mode to 94.5% allowing 55% of the already certified models to meet the revised requirements.

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The EPA understands that the weightings associated with the current loading conditions are not representative of actual use. The Version 1.0 specification placed a 78% weighting on the 100% load condition and far lower weights on the other load conditions. Because EVs rarely arrive at DCFCs with completely empty battery packs and at optimum temperatures for maximum charge rates and with the internal circuitry needed to accept a large DCFC's maximum output, ENERGY STAR has found this 78% weighting to be increasingly unrealistic. Research data from [Edmunds.com](#) and [P3](#) show that typical average charge rates for current generation EVs between 10% and 80% State of Charge (SOC) are closer to 157 kW, even if peak charge rates average 210 kW. To address this inconsistency between previous weightings and real-world usage, the EPA is proposing equal weightings at the different loading conditions. Input is welcome on more appropriate weightings based on current charger loading conditions. To ensure reasonable performance at the low load conditions that the large chargers will experience based on the charging curves of battery electric vehicle models as shown in the graph below<sup>9</sup>, the EPA is also proposing a 92.5% minimum efficiency requirement in the On Mode at 50kW loading condition for EVSE with maximum rated output power greater than 200kW.

<sup>9</sup> [P3 Charging Index - Report 04/21 - P3 group GmbH](#)



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361 **3.9 ISO 15118 Requirements**

362 3.9.1 The EVSE shall have the necessary hardware and software that supports the following  
 363 functionality as defined by the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Final Rule – [23 CFR](#)  
 364 [680](#).

365 i. Powerline Carrier (PLC) capability for communication and is capable of Plug and Charge.

366 Note: To demonstrate compliance with the above requirement, the EVSE must conform to ISO 15118-3  
 367 and must have hardware capable of implementing both ISO 15118-2 and ISO 15118-20. The EVSE  
 368 software must conform to ISO 15118-2. Conformance testing for EVSE software and hardware should  
 369 follow ISO 15118-4 and ISO 15118-5, respectively. Partners must clearly document this in product  
 370 manual and/ or technical specification sheets with PLC board schematics and an explanation of how  
 371 solutions are integrated into the EVSE to meet the requirements of the smart charging standard.

372 **Note:** Plug and Charge is an important feature for user convenience. In an effort to harmonize with the  
 373 NEVI Final Rule, the EPA plans to require models to include all capabilities needed for compliance with  
 374 ISO 15118 requirements as laid out in the 23 CFR 680.108 (Interoperability of electric vehicle charging  
 375 infrastructure).

376 **3.10 OCPP 2.0 Requirements**

377 3.10.1 Open Charge Point Protocol (OCPP) means an open-source communication protocol that  
 378 governs the communication between chargers and the charging networks that remotely manage  
 379 the chargers<sup>10</sup>.

380 i. EVSEs must conform to OCPP 2.0.1 or higher.

381 Note: The OCPP certificate is the official certificate delivered to a vendor by the Open Charge Alliance  
 382 (OCA) that can be provided as proof of the OCPP compliance and is separate from ENERGY STAR  
 383 certification. For further details on OCPP certification process visit this [webpage](#).

<sup>10</sup> [Federal Register :: National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Standards and Requirements](#)

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**Note:** OCPP 2.0 enables seamless communication between charging stations and central management systems and offers improved scalability enabling operators to manage advanced setups like multi-output EVSEs. To be eligible for ENERGY STAR Version 2.0 certification, the EPA requires that EVSEs are certified to OCPP 2.0.1 or higher in harmonization with the NEVI 23 CFR 680

388 **3.11 Additional Reporting Requirements**

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3.11.1 Report the measured Idle Mode Power for DC-output EVSE per the ENERGY STAR DC-output EVSE Test Method.

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3.11.2 Report whether the EVSE supports V2X (bi-directional charging) capability through compliance with the UL 9741 and/ or UL 1741 SA/ SB standards.

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3.11.3 Report whether the EVSE is capable of communicating with other charging networks in accordance with the Open Charge Point Interface (OCPI) 2.2.1 or higher.

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3.11.4 Report whether the EVSE has the transceiver and/or necessary hardware to support smart charging for energy management (i.e., beyond simple managed charging with pulse width modulation or CAN bus) using any of the following station-to-vehicle protocols: ISO 15118-2 or later, SAE J1772, IEC 61851-1 or CHADEMO 2.0.

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3.11.5 Report whether the EVSE meets the following ISO 15118 requirements.

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i. Secure management and storage of keys and certificates.

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ii. Transport Layer Security (TLS) version 1.2; additional support for TLS 1.3 or subsequent versions is recommended to prepare for future updates to the ISO 15118 standard.

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iii. Remotely receiving updates to activate or enable ISO 15118 use cases.

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iv. Connecting to a backend network.

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v. Selecting the appropriate communication protocol used by the vehicle.

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3.11.6 Report whether the EVSE conforms to CTA-2045 or (when connected to a network) to OpenADR, or to a similar protocol for grid service requests.

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**Note:** The EPA added reporting requirements in Section 3.11.5 to support the updated ISO 15118 requirements defined by the CalEVIP program. To ensure the safety of consumers and support various State / Utility programs, the EPA will only include bi-directional capability for products that conform to the UL 9741 and/ or UL 1741 SA/ SB standards. The EPA seeks stakeholder feedback whether any other relevant requirements should be required to indicate V2X capability. The EPA also proposes to require reporting of OCPI 2.2.1 which indicates that a charging network will be capable of communicating with other charging networks. This will enable an EV driver to use a single method of identification to charge at Charging Stations that are a part of multiple charging networks<sup>10</sup>.

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The EPA removed the Optional Connected Criteria but will collect information on the capability to connect to a network and the connected features along with other product information through the certification body. The EPA is making this adjustment to simplify the process for sharing information about connected features. Because the DR Protocol is not necessarily available along with other product information, the EPA is calling this out as a separate reporting requirement since it is valuable information for utilities.

422 **4 TESTING**

423 **4.1 Test Methods**

424 4.1.1 Test methods identified in Table 8 shall be used to determine certification for ENERGY STAR.

425 **Table 6: Test Methods for ENERGY STAR Certification**

Product Type	Test Method
Level 1 and Level 2 Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment	ENERGY STAR Level 1 and Level 2 Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment Test Method (Rev. Jan-2025)
DC-output Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment	ENERGY STAR DC-output Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment Test Method (Rev. Jan-2025)
Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment with Display	ENERGY STAR Displays Test Method (Rev. Nov-2021)
Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment with Full Network Connectivity	Section 6.7.5.2 of Consumer Electronics Association (CEA) 2037-A, Determination of Television Set Power Consumption

426 **Note:** The EPA is updating both the AC and DC EVSE test methods. The changes are summarized in  
427 the note boxes within the associated documents. The EPA also updated references to the most recent  
428 version of the Displays Test Method for testing products with a high-resolution display.

429 **4.2 Number of Units Required for Testing**

430 4.2.1 Representative Models shall be selected for testing per the following requirements:

- 431 i. For certification of an individual product model, the Representative Model shall be equivalent  
432 to that which is intended to be marketed and labeled as ENERGY STAR.
- 433 ii. For certification of a Product Family, the highest energy using model within that Product  
434 Family must be tested and serve as the Representative Model. Models within a Product  
435 Family may have multiple rated output currents; however, the highest consuming model shall  
436 be tested, and all models within the certified family shall meet all requirements for certification  
437 to this specification. In the case of multi-output units, testing shall be conducted with all the  
438 outputs populated and any lesser configurations would be able to be certified.
- 439 iii. Products tested with networking capabilities shall have a connection enabled during testing  
440 per Section 4.1B of the AC and DC EVSE Test Methods. However, if the model is available  
441 without networking capability, this variation shall meet the requirements of this specification  
442 without respective network allowances in order to be certified within the same Product Family  
443 as the network capable model.
- 444 iv. Any subsequent testing failures (e.g., as part of verification testing) of any model in the family  
445 will have implications for all models in the family.

446 4.2.2 A single unit of each Representative Model shall be selected for testing.

447 4.2.3 All units/configurations for which a Partner is seeking ENERGY STAR certification must meet the  
448 ENERGY STAR requirements. However, for DC-output EVSE only, if a Partner wishes to certify  
449 configurations of a model for which non-ENERGY STAR certified alternative configurations exist,  
450 the Partner must assign the certified configurations an identifier in the model name/number that is  
451 unique to ENERGY STAR certified configurations. This identifier must be used consistently in  
452 association with the certified configurations in marketing/sales materials and on the ENERGY  
453 STAR list of certified products (e.g., model A1234 for baseline configurations and A1234-ES for  
454 ENERGY STAR certified configurations).

455 Note: There may be cases—as described in the paragraph above—where not all  
456 units/configurations will meet ENERGY STAR requirements. If so, the worst-case configuration  
457 for the test will be the worst-case certified configuration, and not one of the presumably even  
458 higher energy consuming non-certified configurations.

459 **Note:** Partner must ensure that all configurations certified as ENERGY STAR continue to meet the  
460 certification criteria through subsequent firmware, software, or other changes to the certified product.

## 461 5 EFFECTIVE DATE

462 5.1.1 Effective Date: Version 2 ENERGY STAR Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment specification shall  
463 take effect on **TBD**. To certify for ENERGY STAR, a product model shall meet the ENERGY  
464 STAR specification in effect on the model's date of manufacture. The date of manufacture is  
465 specific to each unit and is the date on which a unit is considered to be completely assembled.

466 **Note:** Version 2.0 will be effective nine months after the specification is finalized. However, manufacturers  
467 will be able to certify to Version 2.0 immediately upon finalization.

468 5.1.2 Future Specification Revisions: The EPA reserves the right to change this specification should  
469 technological and/or market changes affect its usefulness to consumers, industry, or the  
470 environment. In keeping with current policy, revisions to the specification are arrived at through  
471 stakeholder discussions. In the event of a specification revision, please note that the ENERGY  
472 STAR certification is not automatically granted for the life of a product model. Considerations for  
473 future revisions include:

- 474 i. The EPA will continue to monitor the market for wireless EVSE and evaluate the opportunity  
475 to differentiate such products based on energy performance. Should the potential for  
476 significant energy savings exist among these products, The EPA will consider expanding the  
477 scope of this EVSE specification to include them in a future revision. The UL 2750 and SAE  
478 J2954 standards define acceptable criteria for testing wireless power transfer (WPT) in light-  
479 duty plug-in electric vehicles and would be relevant should the EPA address wireless  
480 charging in future specifications.
- 481 ii. The EPA will continue to monitor development of ISO 15118 standard adoption and  
482 harmonize with the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure standards and requirements as the  
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