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Dear ENERGY STAR® Data Center Storage Partner or Other Interested Stakeholder,

With this letter, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is finalizing the amendments to the ENERGY STAR Data Center Storage test method. This amendment enables manufacturers to test products that support File I/O storage functions entirely or as an additional capability. Currently certified products will not need to be retested to maintain their ENERGY STAR certification.

EPA received comments regarding the Draft Version 1.1 specification proposal, particularly on the effective date. After consideration of these comments, EPA is publishing the revised test method and will release the Version 1.1 specification on May 21, 2018. The intent of this timeline is to allow adequate time for brand owners to test new File I/O based storage products to the updated Version 1.1 specification prior to it becoming effective. All stakeholder comments related to this amendment are available on EPA's ENERGY STAR Data Center Storage [product development webpage](#).

Please contact me at Fogle.Ryan@epa.gov or 202-343-9153 or John Clinger, ICF, at John.Clinger@icf.com or (215) 967-9407 with questions or concerns. For other Data Center Storage related questions, please contact storage@energystar.gov. Thank you for your continued support of the ENERGY STAR program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ryan Fogle".

Ryan Fogle
EPA Manager, ENERGY STAR for IT and Data Center Products