

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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Dear ENERGY STAR® Large Network Equipment Partner or Other Interested Stakeholder,

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency would like to share an amendment to the Version 1.0 ENERGY STAR Large Network Equipment (LNE) specification, a proposed minor expansion of scope which EPA intends to publish as a [Version 1.1 specification](#) once finalized.

Based on recent discussions with partners regarding the gradual increase in throughput capability of LNE products and their desire to certify newer products, EPA is proposing to raise the physical network port limit from no greater than four ports at 40 Gb/s+ to no more than four ports at 100 Gb/s. This change will give partners an opportunity to certify the newest products which are currently out of scope, ideally increasing participation and ENERGY STAR LNE offerings for purchasers.

EPA welcomes stakeholder input on this proposed amendment. Given the current circumstances stakeholders are encouraged to submit any comments to largenetwork@energystar.gov by May 18, 2020. All comments will be posted to the [ENERGY STAR Product Development website](#) unless the submitter requests otherwise.

The exchange of ideas and information between EPA, industry, and other interested parties is critical to the success of ENERGY STAR. Specifications and meeting materials will be distributed via email and posted on the ENERGY STAR website. To track EPA's progress on this specification, please visit the [LNE product development website](#).

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 about this specification revision. For other LNE related questions, please contact largenetwork@energystar.gov.

Thank you for your continued support of the ENERGY STAR program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ryan Fogle".

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

Enclosures:
[Draft, Version 1.1 Specification](#)