



ENERGY STAR® Program Requirements Product Specification for Pool Pumps

Test Method to Validate Demand Response August-2014

1 OVERVIEW

The following test method shall be used for determining product compliance with requirements for Demand Response (DR) functionality in the ENERGY STAR Residential Pool Pumps Connected Functionality Criteria.

2 APPLICABILITY

This test method is applicable to Residential Pool Pumps designed to meet both the ENERGY STAR Residential Pool Pumps Eligibility Criteria Version 1.0 and the Connected Functionality Criteria.

3 DEFINITIONS

Unless otherwise specified, all terms used in this document are consistent with the definitions in both the ENERGY STAR Residential Pool Pumps Eligibility Criteria Version 1.0 and the Connected Functionality Criteria.

- A) Nominal Motor Speed: The rated speed(s) in rotations per minute (RPM) for Single- and Multi-speed pumps, and the speed displayed on the pump controls for Variable-speed and Variable-flow pumps.
- B) Utility Equivalent Communication Device: Device capable of communicating with the connected pump and emulating all three signal types described in the Connected Functionality Criteria. It will be controlled by the technician during the conduct of this test procedure, allowing the technician to deliver the required signals.
- C) Acronyms:
 - 1) CPPS: Connected Pool Pump System
 - 2) DR: Demand Response
 - 3) GPM: Gallons Per Minute
 - 4) RPM: Rotations Per Minute
 - 5) UUT: Unit Under Test

4 TEST SETUP

Unless otherwise specified, all test setup and condition requirements shall be identical to Sections 4 and 6.1 of the ENERGY STAR Program Requirements Test Method for Pool Pumps Version 1.0 (Rev. Jan-2013).

4.1 Connected Pool Pump System (CPPS) Setup

The CPPS and Utility Equivalent Communication Device shall be set up in accordance with manufacturer installation instructions.

- A) Connect the CPPS to the Utility Equivalent Communication Device via wired or wireless connection depending on the system's capability. A wireless connection is preferred if both are available.
- B) Ensure that the CPPS is properly connected and can both receive and send data to the Utility Equivalent Communication Device.

5 DEMAND RESPONSE VERIFICATION TESTS

The following testing shall be performed in the order of the sections, as written.

5.1 CPPS Initialization

- A) Turn on the pump, set it to its maximum speed or flow, and allow it to run for one hour.
- B) After one hour, measure and record nominal motor speed (in RPM) and the rate of flow (in gallons per minute (GPM)).

5.2 Type 1 Signal Test

A) For CPPS with Single-speed Pumps:

- 1) Initiate a 30-minute Type 1 Signal.
- 2) Verify that the CPPS responds to the signal by ceasing all pumping within 300 seconds of the receipt of the Type 1 Signal, for the duration of the 30-minute signal period.
 - a) The rate of flow measured at any point during the signal period after the pump ceases pumping shall be less than 2.0 GPM.

B) For CPPS with Multi-speed Pumps:

- 1) Initiate a 30-minute Type 1 Signal.
- 2) Verify that the CPPS responds to the signal by reducing its speed to the lowest available speed, as specified by the manufacturer, within 5 seconds, and remains at this speed for the duration of the 30-minute signal period.
- 3) After completion of the signal period, place the CPPS in off/Standby Mode.
- 4) Program the CPPS to schedule a 1-hour pumping operation at maximum speed/flow set to begin 10 minutes after completion of the previous signal period.
- 5) Initiate a 30-minute Type 1 Signal.
- 6) Verify that the CPPS remains in the off/Standby Mode for the duration of the 30-minute period.
 - a) The rate of flow measured at any point during the signal period after the pump ceases pumping shall be less than 2.0 GPM.

C) For CPPS with Variable-speed/flow Pumps:

- 1) Initiate a 30-minute Type 1 Signal.
- 2) Verify the CPPS responds to the signal by reducing its speed or flow, for Variable-speed or Variable-flow pumps respectively, to a speed or flow less than 1/3 that measured in Section 5.1.B), within 5 seconds, for the duration of the 30-minute signal period.

- 70 3) After completion of the signal period, reduce the CPPS speed or flow, for Variable-speed or
71 Variable-flow pumps respectively, to less than 1/3 that measured in Section 5.1.B).
- 72 4) Program the CPPS controls to schedule a 1-hour pumping operation at maximum speed/flow
73 set to begin 10 minutes after completion of the previous signal period.
- 74 a) For CPPS with controls that require a specific pumped volume, use the rate of flow
75 measured in Section 5.1.B) to calculate the necessary pumped volume for a 1-hour
76 pumping operation at maximum flow.
- 77 5) Initiate a 30-minute Type 1 Signal.
- 78 6) Verify that the CPPS does not increase speed or flow, for Variable-speed or Variable-flow
79 pumps respectively, for the duration of the 30-minute signal period.

80 5.3 Type 2 Signal Test

- 81 A) Clear the CPPS controls of all scheduled pumping operations, set the CPPS to maximum
82 speed/flow, and allow it to run for at least 10 minutes after completion of the previous signal
83 period.
- 84 B) Initiate a 20-minute Type 2 Signal.
- 85 C) Verify that the CPPS ceases all pumping, within 300 seconds of the receipt of the Type 2 Signal
86 and does not pump for the duration of the 20-minute signal period.
- 87 1) The rate of flow measured at any point during the 20-minute signal period shall be less than
88 2.0 GPM.
- 89 D) Repeat steps A-C of Section 5.2 two more times, to verify compliance with the Type 2 Signal
90 requirements.

91 5.4 Type 3 Signal Test

- 92 A) All CPPS – perform test 1) or 2), as applicable:
- 93 1) For CPPS with controls capable of scheduling pumping operation based on total desired
94 volume pumped:
- 95 a) Program the CPPS such that it would:
- 96 i. Start scheduled daily pumping activities **after** initiation of the Type 3 signal in Step
97 5.4.A)1)b), and
- 98 ii. Deliver a specific daily pumped volume.
99 Note: configuring the CPPS to minimize programmed pumping will speed testing
- 100 b) Initiate a Type 3 Signal with a duration that requires a pumping duration that significantly
101 exceeds that required to deliver the specific daily pumped volume.
- 102 c) Verify that the CPPS turns on and begins pumping within, 5 seconds.
- 103 i. Measure and record the rate of flow (in GPM) and time elapsed (in minutes) for the
104 duration of pumping operation.
- 105 d) Verify that the CPPS ceases all pumping operations after the programmed daily pumping
106 volume, $\pm 5\%$, is reached.
- 107 i. Actual pumped volume shall be calculated as the average rate of flow measured
108 during pumping operation multiplied by the time elapsed.
- 109 2) All other CPPS
- 110 a) Program the CPPS such that it would:

- 111 i. Start the scheduled pumping operation *one hour after* completion of the Type 3
112 Signal Test, and
- 113 ii. Deliver a 30-minute pumping operation.
- 114 b) Set the CPPS to the off/Standby Mode and allow the CPPS to cool down for 10 minutes.
- 115 c) Initiate a 1-hour Type 3 signal.
- 116 d) Verify that the CPPS turns on, begins pumping within 5 seconds, but ceases all pumping
117 operations after 30 minutes, ± 1 minute.
- 118 B) For CPPS with Multi-speed, Variable-speed, and Variable-flow Pumps:
- 119 1) Program the CPPS to initiate pumping at a speed that is less than the maximum speed/flow
120 and for a duration that exceeds 1-hour.
- 121 2) After the start of pumping, allow the CPPS to run for at least 10 minutes.
- 122 3) Measure and record the nominal motor speed (in RPM) and the rate of flow (in GPM).
- 123 4) Initiate a 30-minute Type 3 Signal.
- 124 5) Verify that the CPPS increases its nominal motor speed and rate of flow for the duration of
125 the 30-minute signal period.

126 **6 REFERENCES**

- 127 A) ENERGY STAR Program Requirements Test Method for Pool Pumps Version 1.0 (Rev. Jan-2013).