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April 14, 2020

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

With this letter, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is releasing the [Final Draft, Version 2.0 ENERGY STAR Data Center Storage specification](#) and the [ENERGY STAR Draft test method](#). EPA thanks stakeholders for the feedback that they provided and has taken that feedback into consideration in developing this Final Draft specification. This specification will take effect on March 15, 2021.

EPA received broad stakeholder support in response to the Draft 2 released on February 19<sup>th</sup> along with modest comments requesting clarifying language in two instances and an update the test method notation to reflect the new Emerald Version 4.0.0 test method which this specification references.

Given the current circumstances, EPA is giving stakeholders until May 14, 2020 to submit any remaining comments on this Final Draft specification to [storage@energystar.gov](mailto:storage@energystar.gov). 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 [storage product development website](#).

Please contact me at [Fogle.Ryan@epa.gov](mailto:Fogle.Ryan@epa.gov) or (202) 343-9153 or John Clinger, ICF, at [John.Clinger@icf.com](mailto:John.Clinger@icf.com) or (215) 967-9407 with questions or concerns about this specification revision. For other Data Center Storage related questions, please contact [storage@energystar.gov](mailto:storage@energystar.gov).

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

Sincerely,

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EPA Manager, ENERGY STAR for IT and Data Center Products

Enclosures:  
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[Draft Test Method](#)

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