



# ENERGY STAR Specification Development for Uninterruptible Power Supplies (UPSs)

## Stakeholder Meeting

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# Webinar Details



- Webinar and related materials will be available on the UPS Web page:
  - [www.energystar.gov/newspecs](http://www.energystar.gov/newspecs)
  - Follow link to “Uninterruptible Power Supplies”
- Audio provided via teleconference:
  - Call in:** +1 (877) 423-6338 (U.S.)  
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  - Code:** 456-417
  - Phone lines will remain open during discussion
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  - Refer to the agenda for approximate discussion timing

# Agenda



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# Meeting Introduction

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- EPA thanks all stakeholders who have participated thus far in the development of the ENERGY STAR specification for Uninterruptible Power Supplies (UPSs)
  - Stakeholder participation is critical to the specification development
  - EPA looks forward to continued feedback

# EPA-DOE ENERGY STAR Team



- DOE team will provide overview of support and findings related to the test method

<b>EPA: Brand and Specification Manager</b>	<b>DOE: Test Procedure Manager</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• New Products</li><li>• Performance Levels</li><li>• Marketing &amp; Outreach</li><li>• Monitoring &amp; Verification</li><li>• Product Database</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Federal Test Procedures</li><li>• Metrics</li><li>• Monitoring &amp; Verification</li></ul>

# Activities To Date

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- Late 2010: Development of Draft ENERGY STAR Test Method
- January–March 2011: Data assembly conducted
  - 8 manufacturers shared test results for 321 ac-output UPSs
- May 5, 2011: Draft 1 Specification released
  - Stakeholder meeting held on May 12
  - Comments and dc-output/rectifier data received and reviewed
- July 15, 2011: Draft 2 Specification Released
- Today, August 1, 2011: Stakeholder webinar to present Draft 2 changes and receive comment

# Webinar Objectives

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1. Introduce proposed modifications to the specification where EPA welcomes further stakeholder input
2. Explain revisions to the test method and clarify any questions
3. Provide opportunity to comment on other aspects of the UPS specification

# Meeting Conduct

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- Meeting sections correspond to topics addressed in the Draft 2 specification and test method
  - Ac-output UPS Efficiency Requirements
  - Draft ENERGY STAR Test Method Revisions
  - Dc-output UPS/Rectifiers Efficiency Requirements and Test Method
  - Toxicity and Recyclability Requirements
  - Qualification Processes
- EPA and/or contractors will present work on each topic
  - Stakeholders are welcome to comment at any time
  - Additional time will be provided at the end of each section for broader discussion on each topic

# Comments

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- In addition to making verbal comments during the meeting, stakeholders are strongly encouraged to submit written comments and data
- Please send all comments to:

[ups@energystar.gov](mailto:ups@energystar.gov)

**Comment Deadline**

August 11, 2011

# Stakeholder Presentations



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# Stakeholder Presentations

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- EPA would now like to open up for stakeholders who have requested time to make presentations.

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# Energy Savings Potential and Draft 2 Specification Levels

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- Revision of specification levels proceeded in three stages:
  1. UPS test results were divided into **revised classifications** based on rated output power and input dependency characteristic
  2. Specification levels corresponding to the **top 25-30% of available models** were calculated for each classification
  3. **Best-fit lines were updated** from Draft 1 to reflect new classifications and specification levels in Draft 2

# Revised Ac-output UPS Classifications



- Number of units analyzed in each classification:

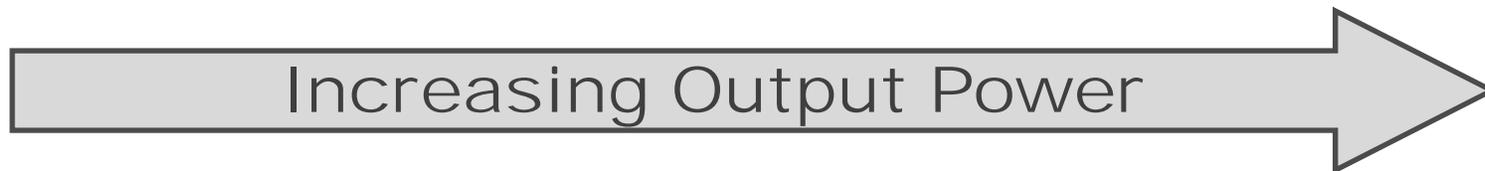
The diagram includes two large grey arrows. One arrow points to the right, labeled "Increasing Output Power", positioned above the table columns. The other arrow points downwards, labeled "Increasing Input Dependency", positioned to the left of the table rows.

	Consumer	Commercial	Data Center
VFI	11	31	109
VI	54	29	6
VFD	21	0	6

# Ac-output UPS Classifications Recommended by Stakeholders



- Ac-output UPS classified by application and equipment intended for protection



<b>Consumer UPS</b> $P \leq 1.5 \text{ kW}$	<b>Commercial UPS</b> $1.5 \text{ kW} < P \leq 10 \text{ kW}$	<b>Data Center UPS</b> $P > 10 \text{ kW}$
Desktop computers and related peripherals, and/or home entertainment devices  (TVs, set-top boxes, DVRs, DVD players)	Small business/branch office information & communication technology equipment  (servers, network switches & routers, small storage arrays)	Large installations of information & communication technology equipment  (enterprise servers, networking equipment, and large storage arrays)

# Loading Profiles by Class

- Average Efficiency calculated based on expected loading:

$$Eff_{AVG} = t_{25\%} \times Eff|_{25\%} + t_{50\%} \times Eff|_{50\%} + t_{75\%} \times Eff|_{75\%} + t_{100\%} \times Eff|_{100\%}$$

UPS Class	Proportion of Time Spent at Specified Proportion of Reference Test Load, $t_{n\%}$			
	25%	50%	75%	100%
<b>Consumer</b> ( $P \leq 1.5$ kW)	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
<b>Commercial</b> ( $1.5$ kW < $P \leq 10$ kW)	0	0.3	0.4	0.3
<b>Data Center</b> ( $P > 10$ kW)	0.25	0.5	0.25	0

# Loading Assumptions

- Revised loading point assumptions based on stakeholder suggestions and empirical data

Consumer UPS $P \leq 1.5 \text{ kW}$	Commercial UPS $1.5 \text{ kW} < P \leq 10 \text{ kW}$	Data Center UPS $P > 10 \text{ kW}$
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Purchasers typically do not “overbuy” on capacity</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Over-provisioning</li> <li>Redundant operation</li> <li>ENERGY STAR Buildings and Plants program dataset collected in 2008-2009: utilization for 108 locations</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Heavily loaded when protected equipment is <b>on</b></li> <li>Typically spends time without any loading when protected equipment is <b>off</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>These larger units are rarely/never operated without load → no weight at the 25% loading point</li> </ul>	

Resultant Data Center loading profile same as Draft 1 proposal

# Loading Assumptions

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- EPA is supportive of industry initiatives to conduct a market study that would obtain up-to-date UPS loading data for future specification revisions

# Ac-Output UPS Efficiency Requirements

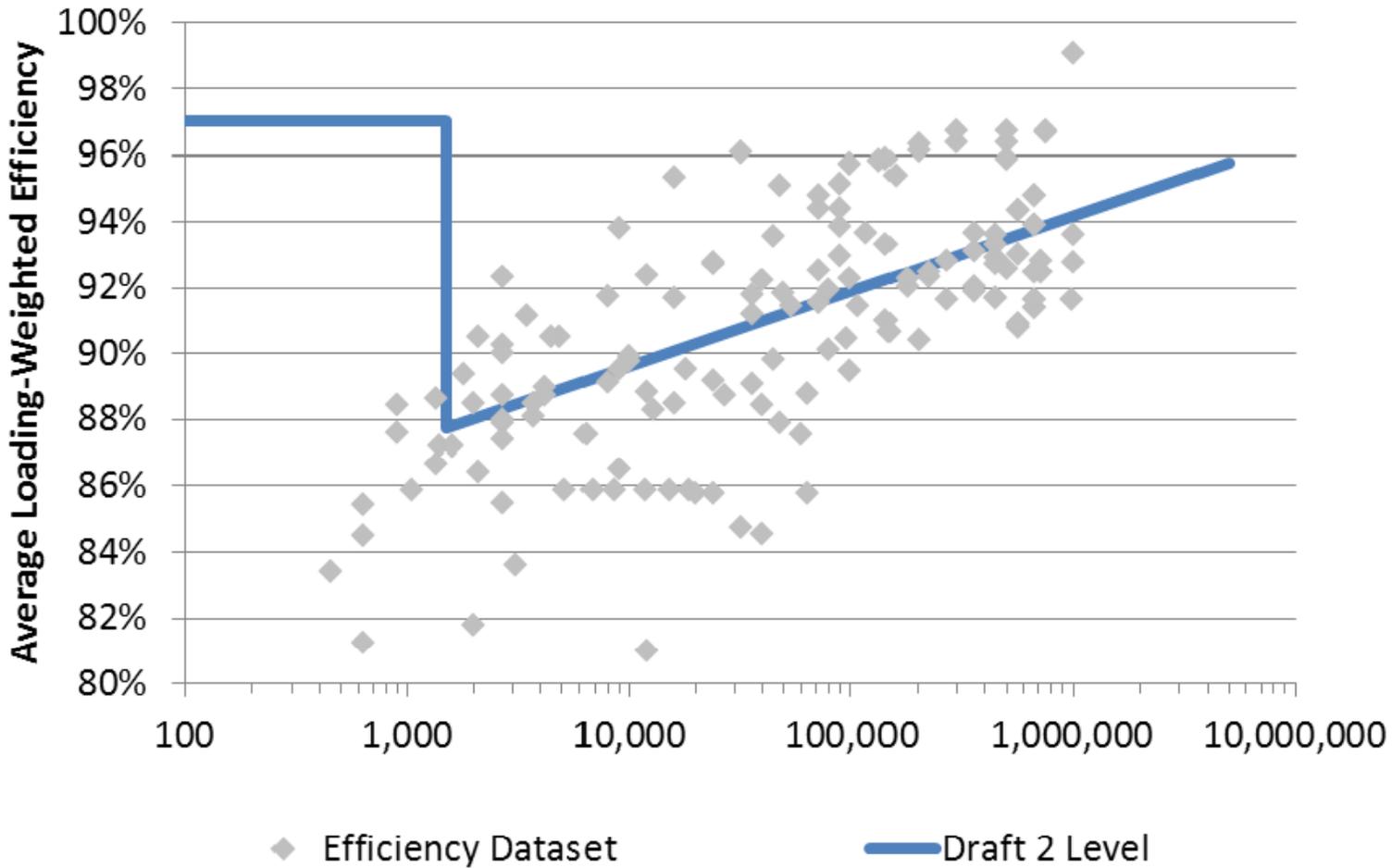


**Minimum Average Efficiency Requirement ( $Eff_{AVG MIN}$ ),  
Where:  
P is the Output Power in watts (W), and  $\ln$  is the natural logarithm**

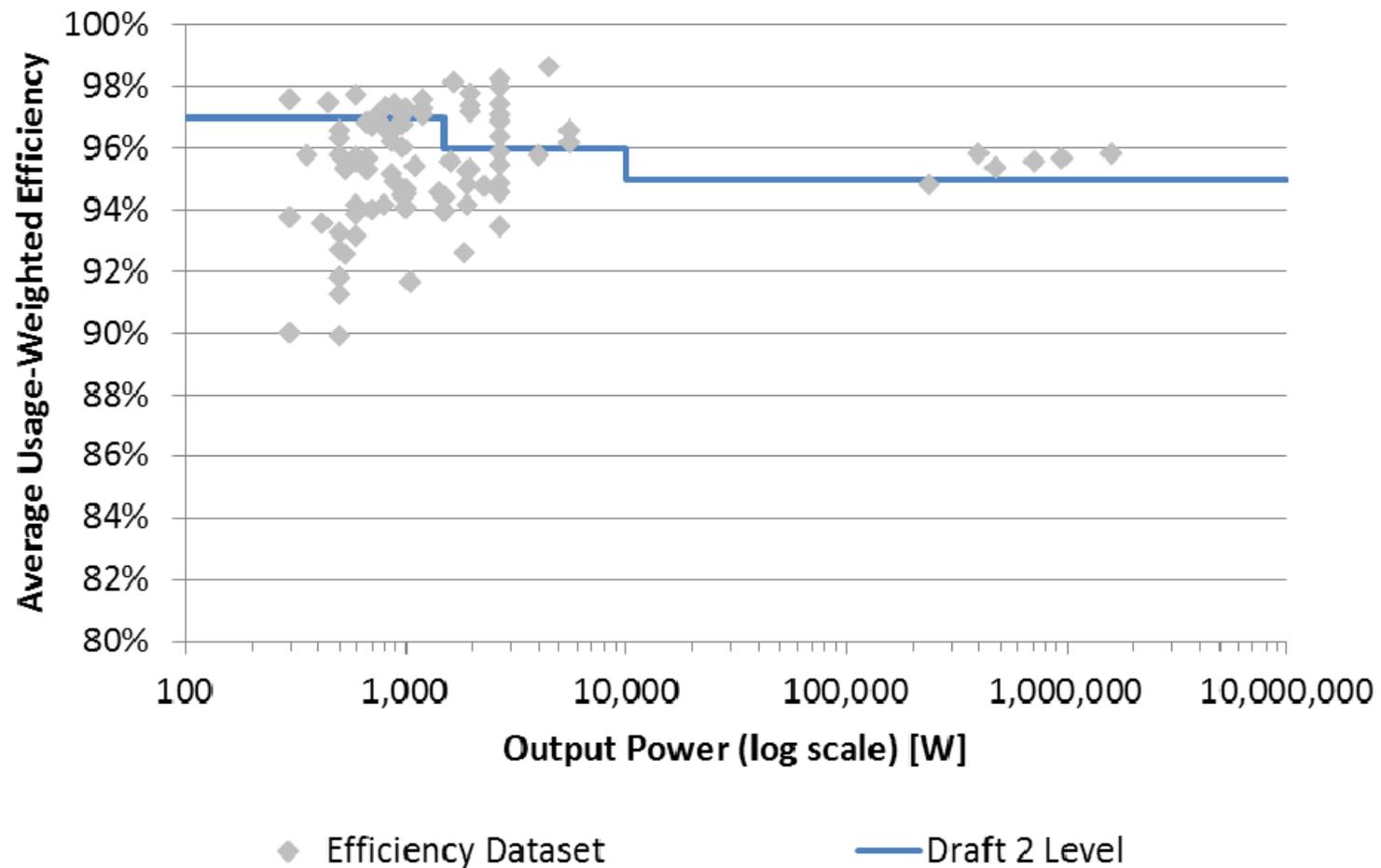
UPS Class	Input Dependency		
	VFD	VI	VFI
<b>Consumer</b> ( $P \leq 1.5 \text{ kW}$ )	0.97		
<b>Commercial</b> ( $1.5 \text{ kW} < P \leq 10 \text{ kW}$ )	0.97	0.96	$0.0099 \times \ln(P) + 0.805$
<b>Data Center</b> ( $P > 10 \text{ kW}$ )	0.97	0.95	$0.0099 \times \ln(P) + 0.805$

Consumer category is combined for purposes of comparing efficiencies—purchasers are not likely to have a preference for input dependency

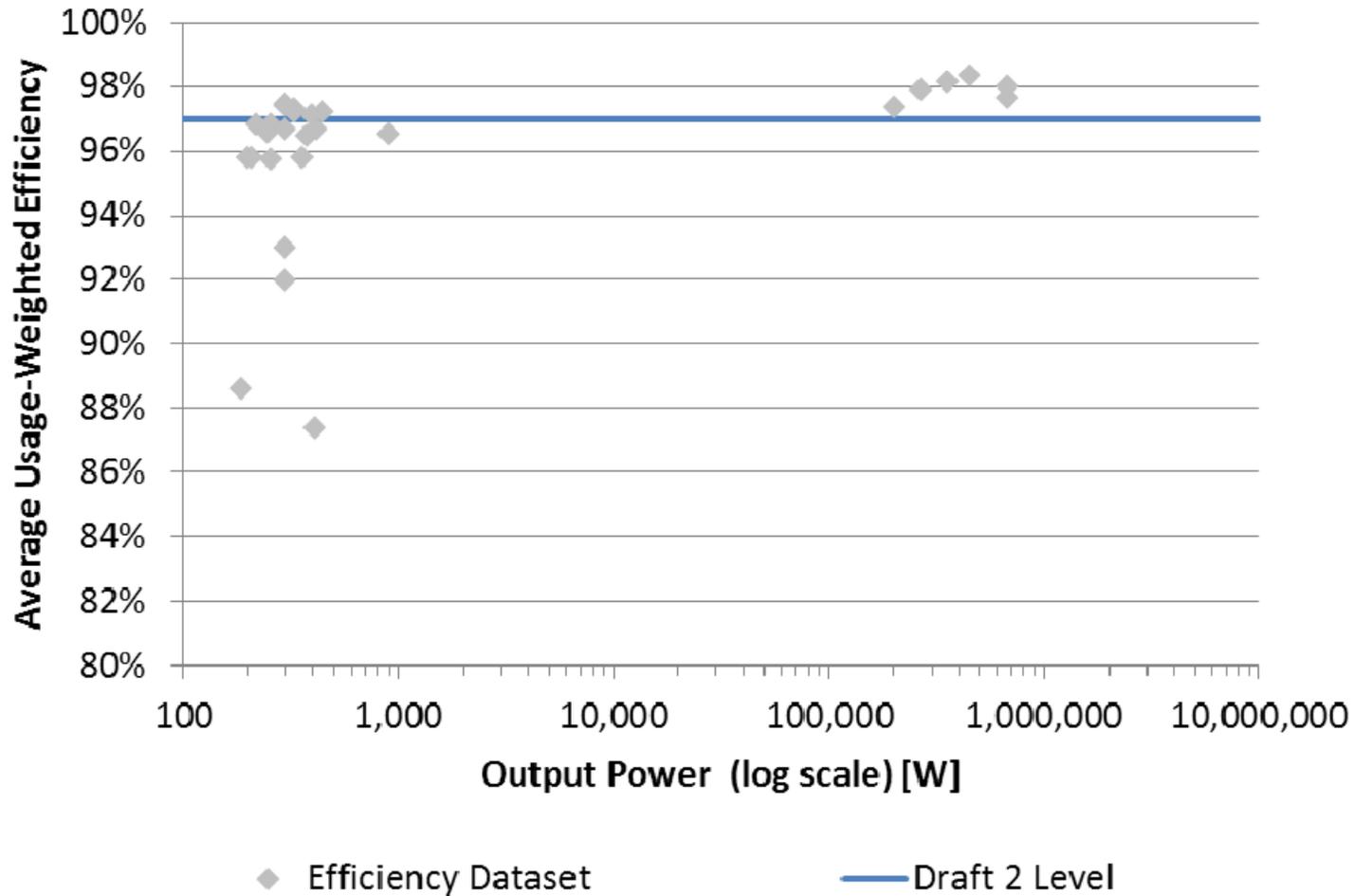
# Proposed Specification Level: VFI



# Proposed Specification Level: VI



# Proposed Specification Level: VFD



# Multi-Mode UPS

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- Significant energy savings potential associated with multi-mode UPS
  - Models can run in more efficient, less protective modes
  - Switch to less efficient, higher protective modes when necessary

# Multi-Mode UPS Draft 2 Proposal

## Motivation

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- Improvements in UPS systems
  1. Basic efficiency improvements
    - Capacitors, electronics, controls, etc.
  2. Modular systems
  3. Multi-mode systems
- ENERGY STAR strives to be technology neutral.
  - Given input dependency is crucial to qualification, setting single level based on single input dep. does not recognize full operation of multi-mode.
  - Unclear how often high efficiency modes are used with these products. Discussions with users were mixed.
- Testing in both modes develops database for future specification revisions
- Manufacturers can report tested and verified data for ESTAR qualification

# Multi-Mode UPS Draft 2 Specification Proposal

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- EPA proposes incentivizing the qualification of multi-mode UPS
  1. Multi-mode UPSs shall be tested in both highest- and lowest-input dependency modes
  2. Efficiency in both modes shall be reported on the Power and Performance Data Sheet – transition time between modes shall also be reported
  3. Efficiency used for qualification shall be a weighted average of the two modes
  4. Multi-mode UPSs shall ship with their highest-input dependency (highest efficiency) mode enabled.

# Multi-Mode UPS Average Efficiency Calculation



- Weighted average of the highest- and lowest-input dependency mode must surpass the efficiency requirement for the lowest-input dependency mode:

$$\text{Eff}_{\text{Avg}} = 0.75 \times \text{Eff}_1 + 0.25 \times \text{Eff}_2$$

Where:

- **Eff<sub>1</sub>** is the average load adjusted efficiency in the lowest-input dependency mode (i.e., VFI or VI)
- **Eff<sub>2</sub>** is the average load adjusted efficiency in the highest-input dependency mode (i.e., VFD)

# Open Comment

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- EPA would now like to open up the line for any comments from stakeholders pertaining to:

**Ac-output UPS Efficiency Requirements**

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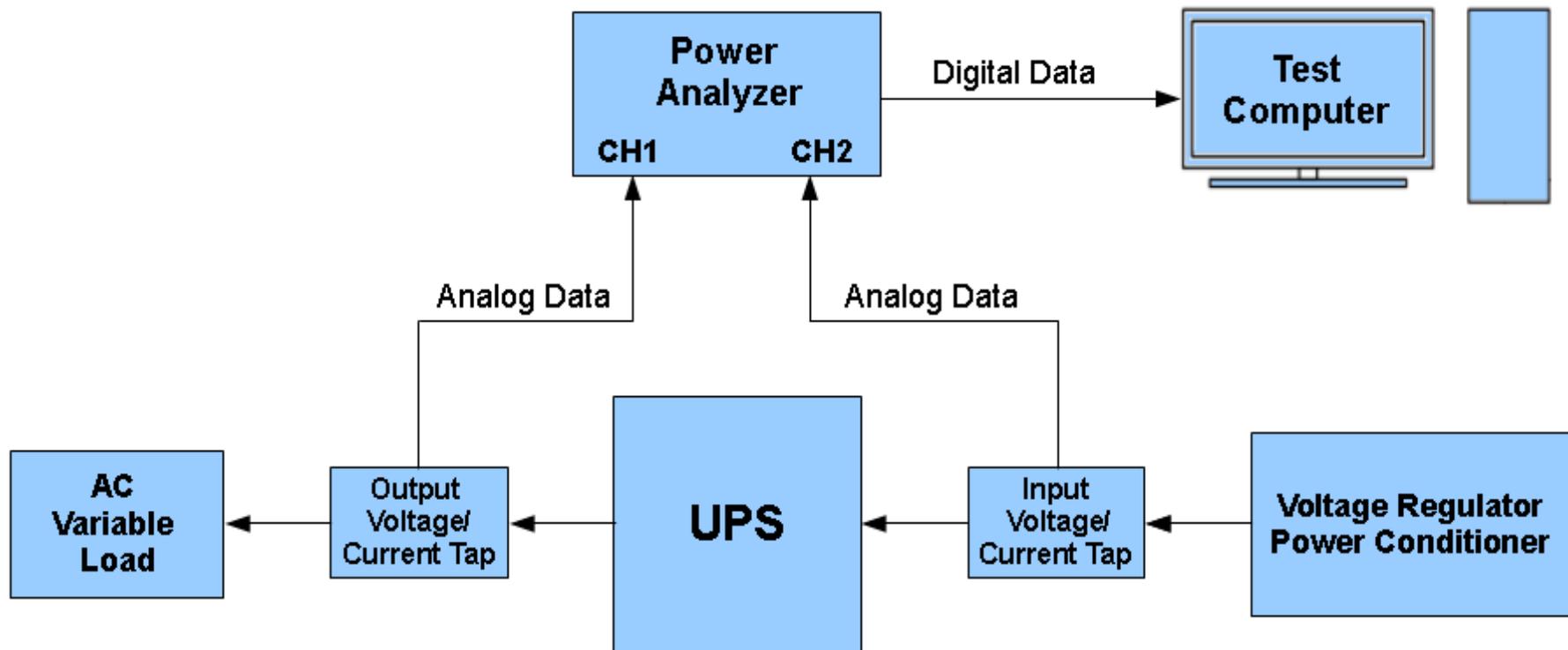
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# General Test Setup



# Testing Performed



- ENERGY STAR Draft 1 Test Method validation testing
  - 21 products from various manufacturers
  - Products ranging from 1 to 3 kVA max output
  - Voltage and Frequency Dependent (VFD) and Voltage Independent (VI) topologies
- Setup and Testing
  - 1) Charged all UPSs overnight
  - 2) Set load condition; waited for UPS to hit target load before collecting data
  - 3) Order of tested loads (% of max output): 100%, 75%, 50%, 25%, 0%
  - 4) 15 min test per load

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# Draft 2 Changes Overview



- Validation testing exposed several gaps in the Draft 1 test procedure
- Issues
  - Ambiguous instructions for battery charging
  - A UPS can meet Draft 1 requirements but still not provide repeatable results
- Proposed changes for Draft 2 based on testing
  - Clearly define charging time for batteries
  - Increase sampling rate for repeatable results
  - Add stability requirement to confirm data accuracy
- **ENERGY STAR welcomes recommendations and comments on any changes**

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# Problem: Battery Charging

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- Testing a UPS with a battery that is not fully charged can result in measuring the battery charging function of the UPS
- This is not recommended by IEC 62040-3
- This could result in skewed power consumption values
- Draft 2 recommends a method to ensure a fully charged battery

# Proposed Change: Battery Charging



- Adopted from Appendix Y to Subpart B of Part 430 - Uniform Test Method for Measuring the Energy Consumption of Battery Chargers [76 FR 31776, June 1, 2011], *section 5.2: Determining the Duration of the Charge and Maintenance Mode Test*
- Proposed change:
  - If the UPS has a charging indicator, charge battery for at least 5 hours past “charged” status
  - If no indicator, charge battery for at least 5 hours past manufacturer’s recommended time
  - If none of the above applies, charge battery for at least 24 hours
  - *Note: the recommended 5 hour time extension is given as instructed in DOE’s Final Rule dated June 1, 2011*

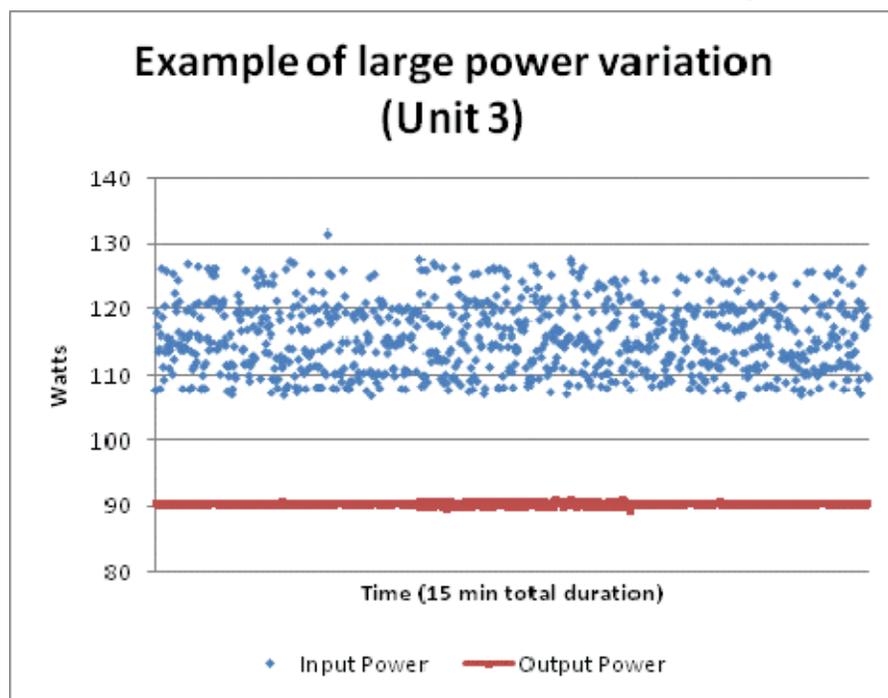
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# Problem: Power Variation

- Draft 1 specifies “three successive readings taken no more than 15 minutes apart” for sampling
- This sampling frequency may not provide enough resolution to obtain repeatable data

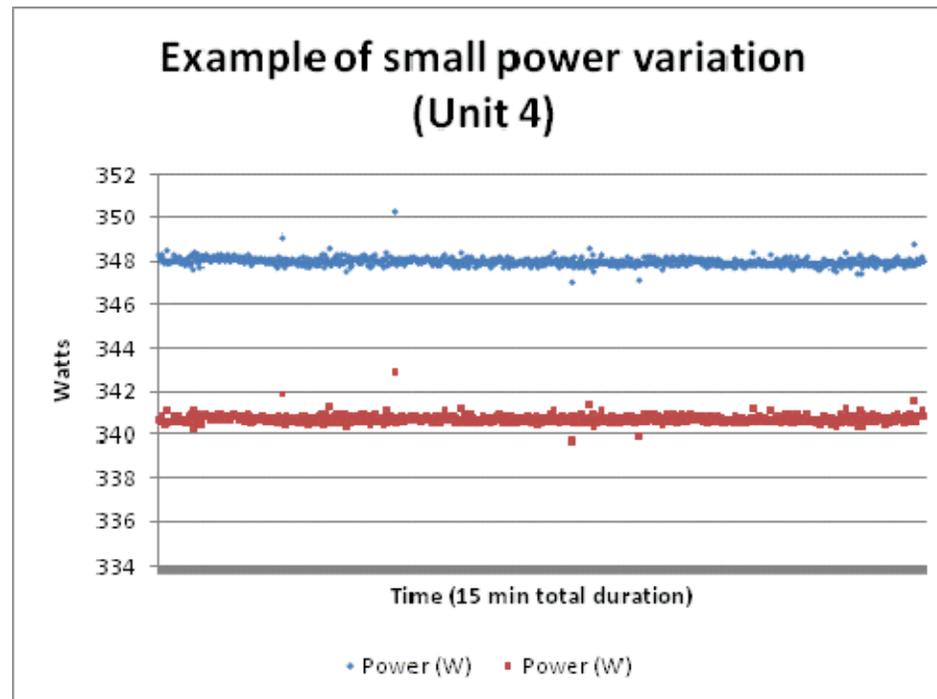


- Input variation differed for each unit tested
- Example: Unit 3 showed large input power variation
  - Documenting input power at three times could have reported anywhere from 108 W to 128 W

# Proposed Change: Increased Sampling



- Example: Unit 4 showed small input power variation



- Proposed change:
  - One power reading per second over a 15 minute test period
  - Report average of all power readings

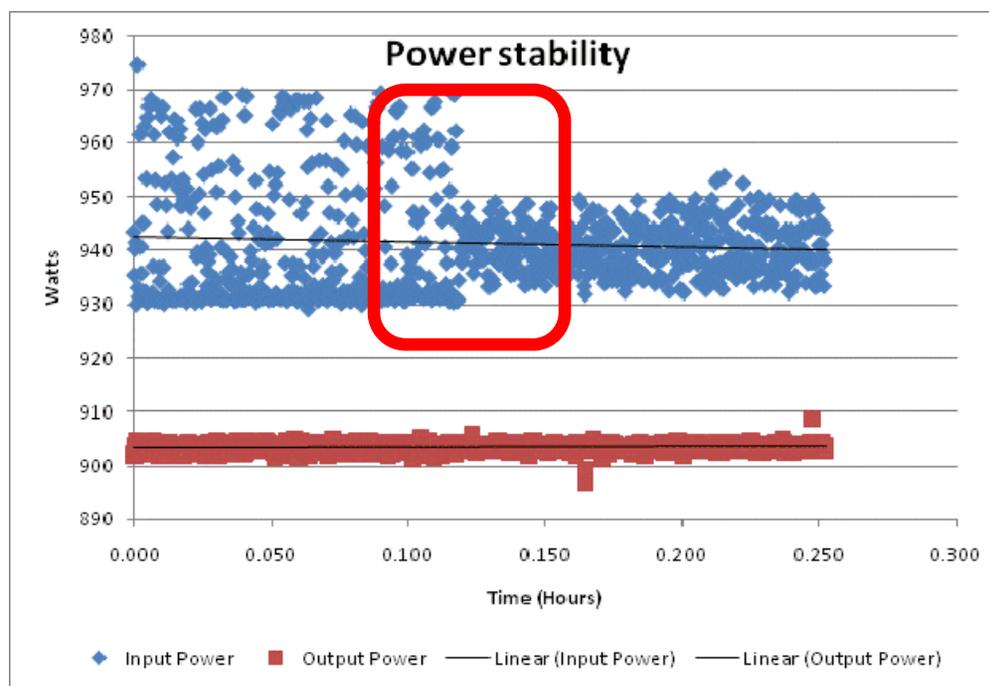
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# Problem: Power Stability

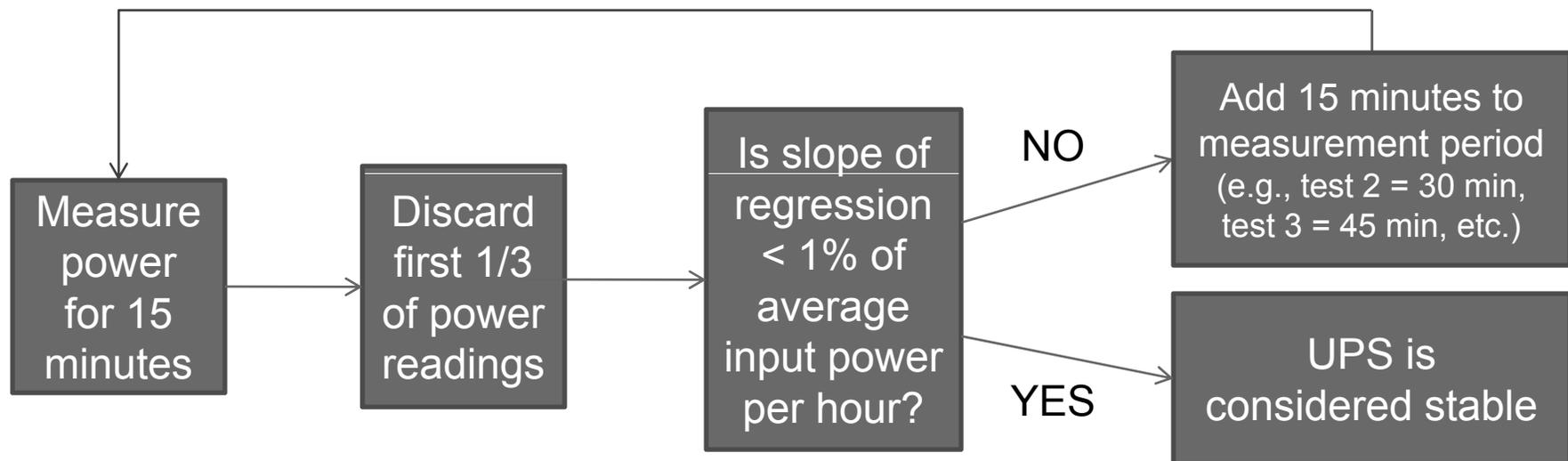
- Some units exhibited fluctuations in input power within the test window, even though setup/charging was performed as instructed in the test method
- Unstable power can result in non-repeatable and non-representative energy-use values



# Proposed Change: Stability Requirement



- Proposed change\*:



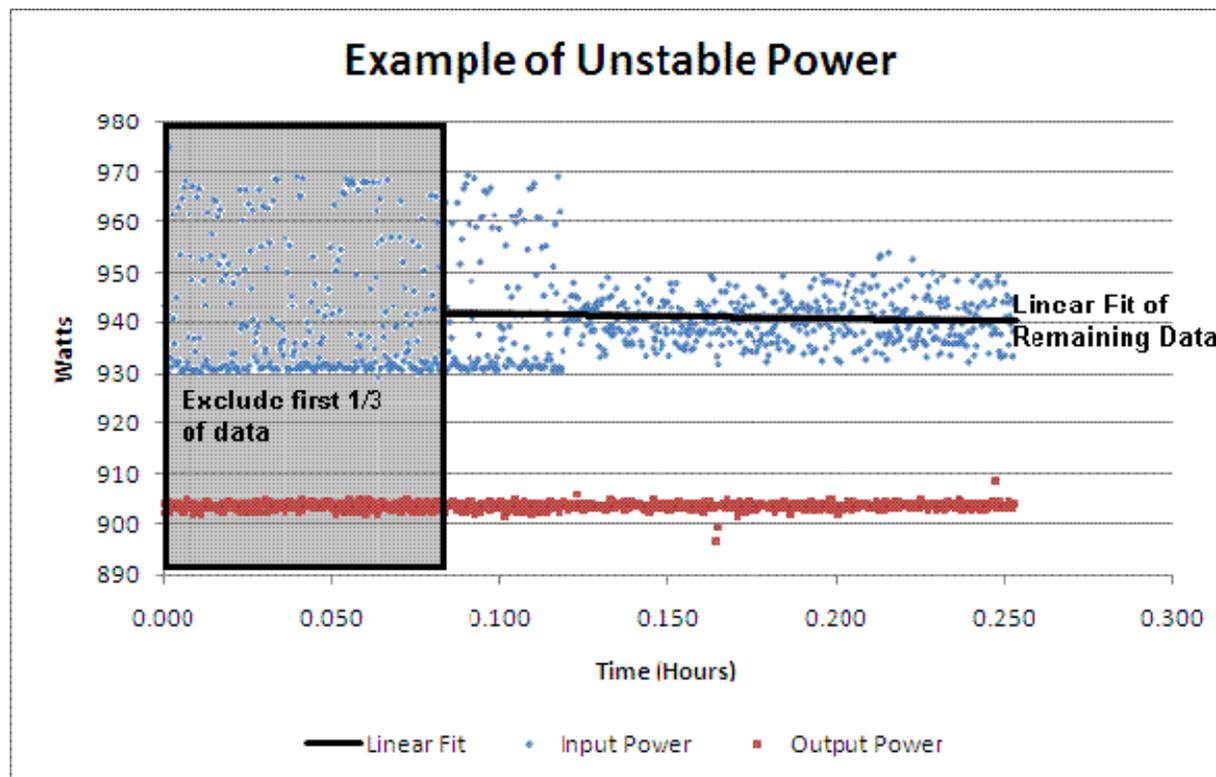
- The slope requirement prevents power drift during testing
- Using the average input power as a point for comparison helps scale the requirement depending on the size of the UPS

\*Adapted from Section 5.3.2 of IEC standard 62301 (Ed. 2.0): Household electrical appliances – Measurement of standby power

# Example of Stability Requirement



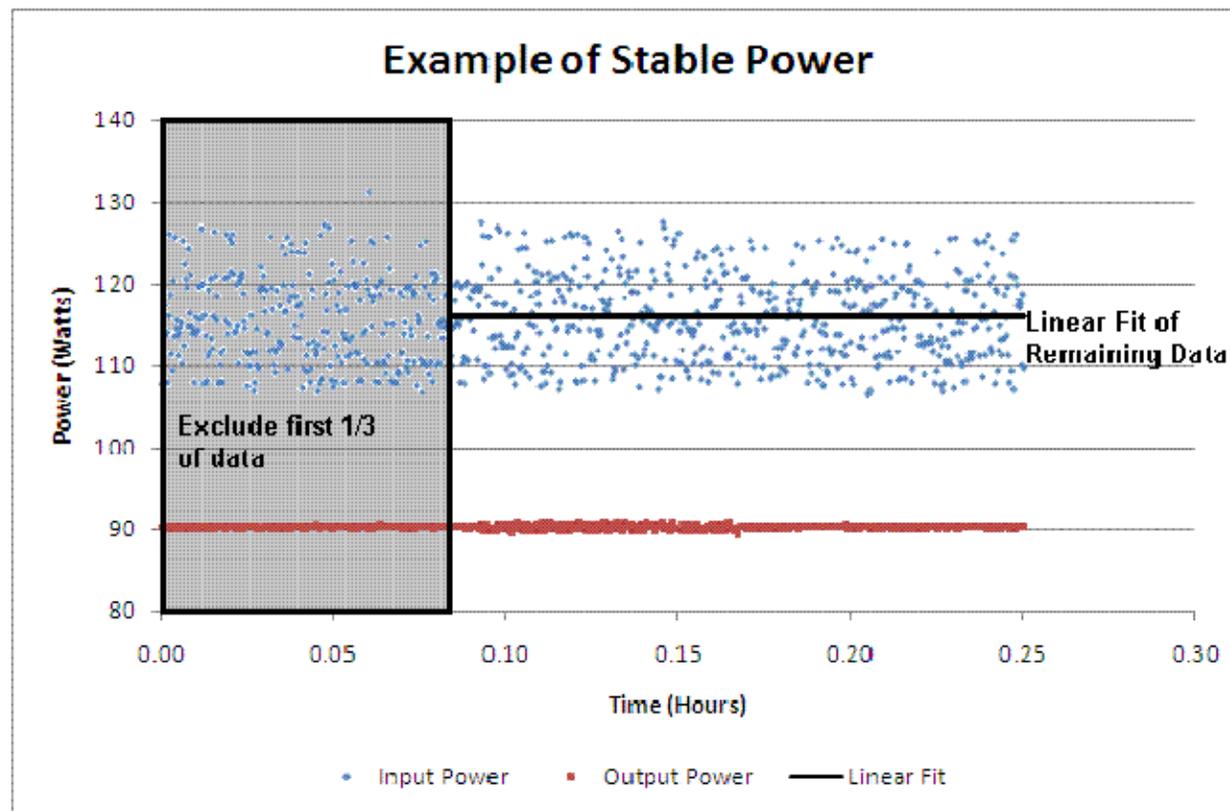
- Example:
  - Slope of the linear fit for input power is -10 W/hour
  - Average power of remaining data is 941W
  - Slope is 1.1% of the average power, so it fails the stability requirement and an additional 15 minutes of data collection is required.



# Example of Stability Requirement



- Example:
  - Slope of the linear fit for input power is  $-0.0015$  W/hour
  - Average power of remaining data is 115W
  - Slope is 0.001% of the average power, which passes the stability requirement.



# Summary of Proposed Changes



Topic	Draft 1 Test Method	Draft 2 Test Method
<b>Battery Charging Time</b>	Not clearly defined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Indicator status + 5 hours</li><li>• Recommended time + 5 hours</li><li>• 24 hours</li></ul>
<b>Power Sampling</b>	Three samples taken within 15 minutes	One sample per second for 15 minutes
<b>Stability Requirement</b>	None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Measure power for 15 minutes</li><li>• Slope of regression &lt; 1% of average power per hour</li><li>• If fails, add 15 minutes to measurement period (e.g., test 2 = 30 min, test 3 = 45 min, etc.)</li></ul>

# Upcoming Testing



- Starting the week of August 1, ENERGY STAR will be performing validation testing on larger UPSs
  - 6 -13 products from various manufacturers
  - Products ranging from 5 to 20 kVA max output
  - Voltage Independent (VI) and Voltage and Frequency Independent (VFI) topologies
- Testing will be completed at the end of August
- ENERGY STAR welcomes comment on how the Draft 2 proposed changes apply to larger UPSs

# Open Comment

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# Dc-output UPS: Market Overview

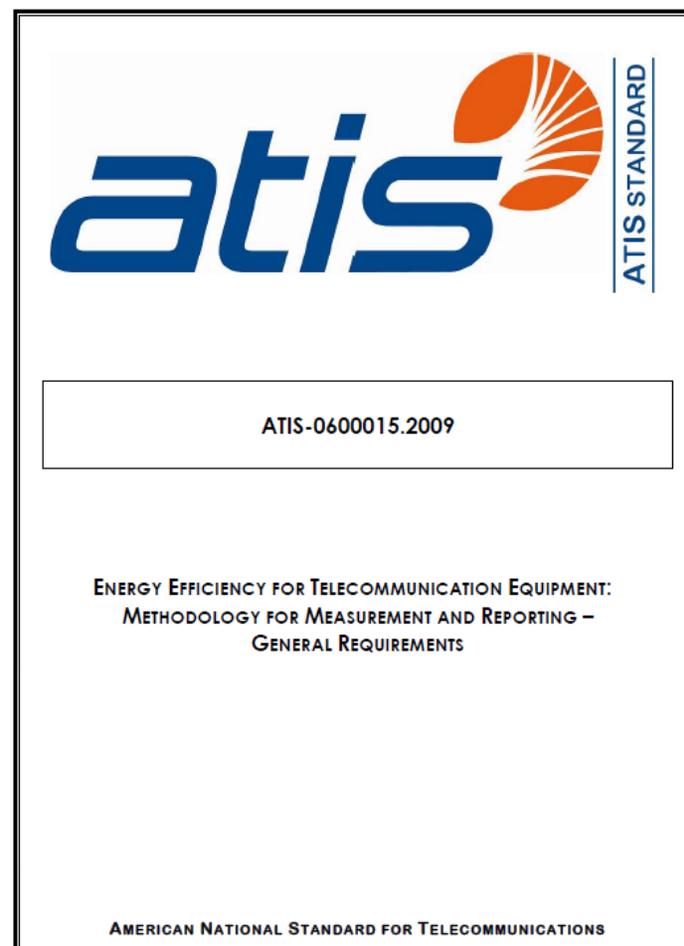


- Dc-output UPSs commonly referred to as “Rectifiers”
- High shipments primarily for telecommunications use
  - Four primary suppliers in the U.S.
  - 48 V dc equipment is widely available and deployed in telecom data centers
- Dc-output UPSs are expected to enter the IT data center industry with higher output voltages (380 V)
  - Industry groups have been formed to speed adoption

# Dc-output UPS/Rectifiers ENERGY STAR Test Method



- References ATIS-0600015.2009:
  - Energy Efficiency for Telecommunication Equipment: Methodology for Measurement and Reporting
  - ATIS-0600015.04.2010:Dc Power Plant–Rectifier Requirements
- DOE expects to review and validate the ATIS test procedures for Dc-output UPSs/Rectifiers over the next 12 months
  - May result in technical modifications to the test method and/or specification
  - Stability and steady-state requirements apply to both ac-output and Dc-output/Rectifier UPS



# Dc-Output UPSs/Rectifiers Average Efficiency Calculation



- Proposed Average Efficiency equation in Draft 2 is derived from ATIS-0600015.04.2010:
  - Efficiency is measured at six loading points from 30% to 80%
  - Each loading point measurement is weighted equally

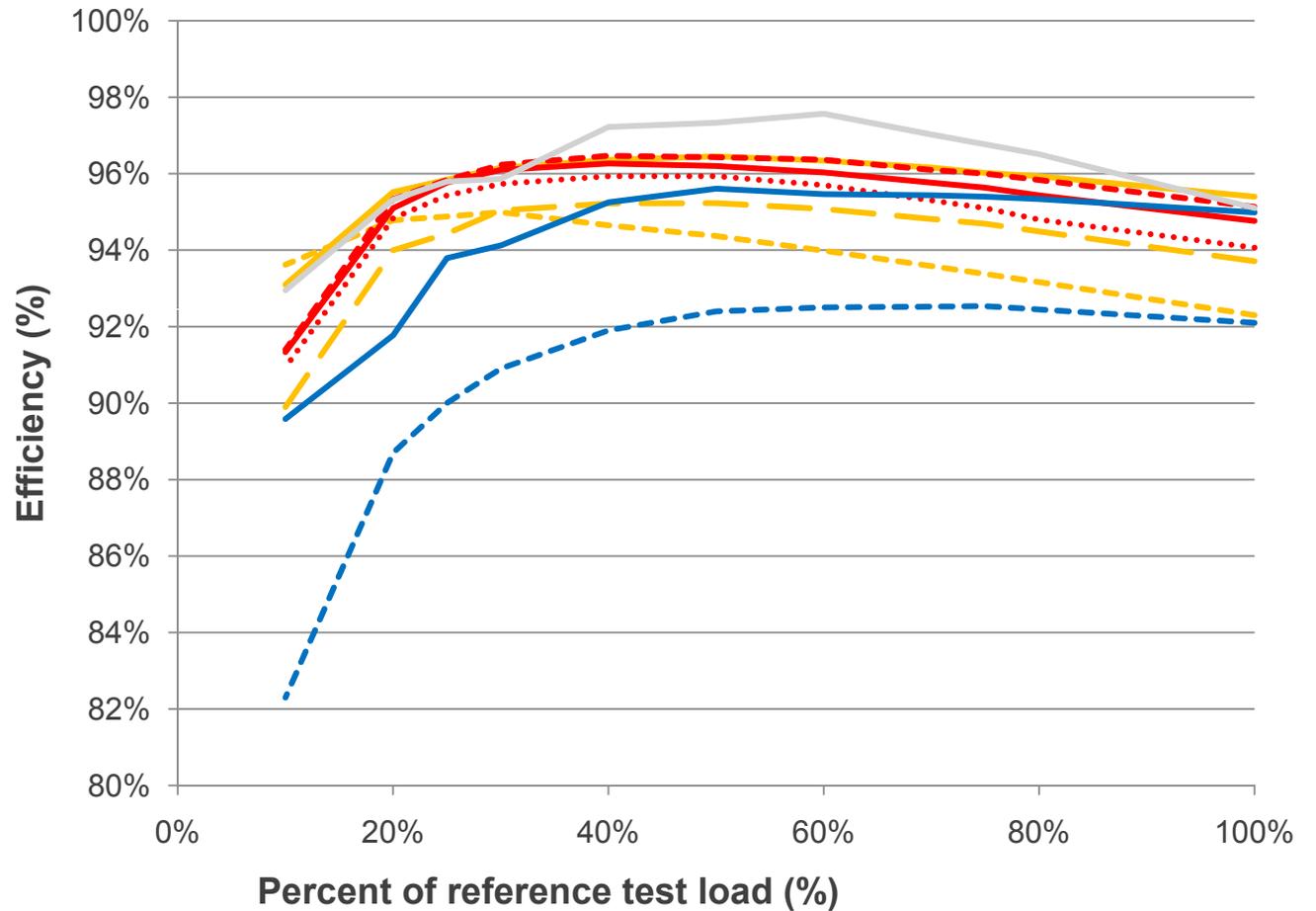
$$\text{Eff}_{\text{Avg}} = 1/6 (\text{Eff}|_{30\%} + \text{Eff}|_{40\%} + \text{Eff}|_{50\%} + \text{Eff}|_{60\%} + \text{Eff}|_{70\%} + \text{Eff}|_{80\%})$$

# Dc-output UPS/Rectifier ENERGY STAR Data Form



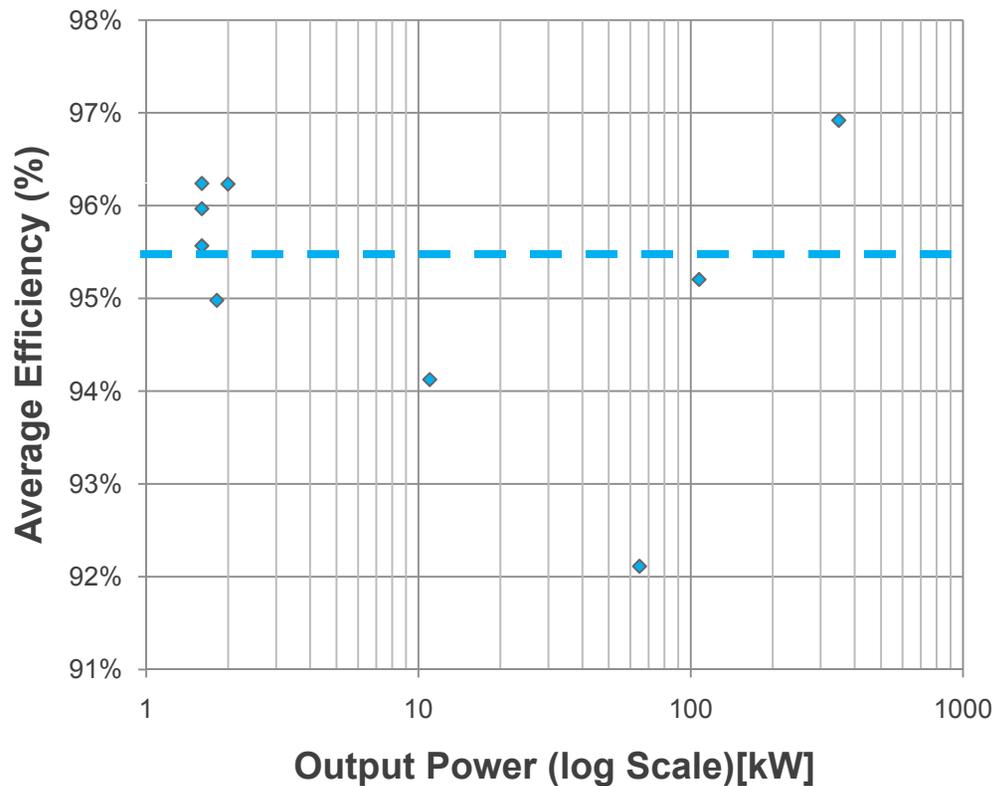
- EPA is inviting Dc-output UPS/Rectifier manufacturers to share additional performance data to help refine the proposed specification
- **Appendix B** of the ENERGY STAR Test Method for Dc-Output UPS – Draft Data Form has been released
- Dc-output UPSs/Rectifiers should be tested at **80%, 70%, 60%, 50%, 40%, 30% and 0%** of full load
  - Stakeholders may submit test data at additional loading points, e.g., 100%, 75%, 25%, 20% and 10%
- EPA thanks stakeholders that have submitted data to date and continues to welcome additional data before completion of the Final Draft specification

# Dc-Output UPS/Rectifier Dataset Assembly Overview



—●— Mfr. A Unit #1   
 —●— Mfr. A Unit #2   
 - - - Mfr. A Unit #3   
 ····· Mfr. B Unit #1   
 — Mfr. B Unit #2  
- - - Mfr. B Unit #3   
 - - - Mfr. C Unit #1   
 — Mfr. C Unit #2   
 — Mfr. D Unit #1

# Proposed Efficiency Requirement for Dc-Output UPSs/Rectifiers



- The efficiencies at each loading point were averaged
- Draft 2 proposes a minimum average efficiency requirement ( $\text{Eff}_{\text{AVG\_MIN}}$ ) of 95.5%
- Of 9 units submitted to EPA, we expect 2 or 3 to qualify.

# Open Comment

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**Dc-output UPS/Rectifiers Efficiency  
Requirements & Test Method**

# Lunch/Break



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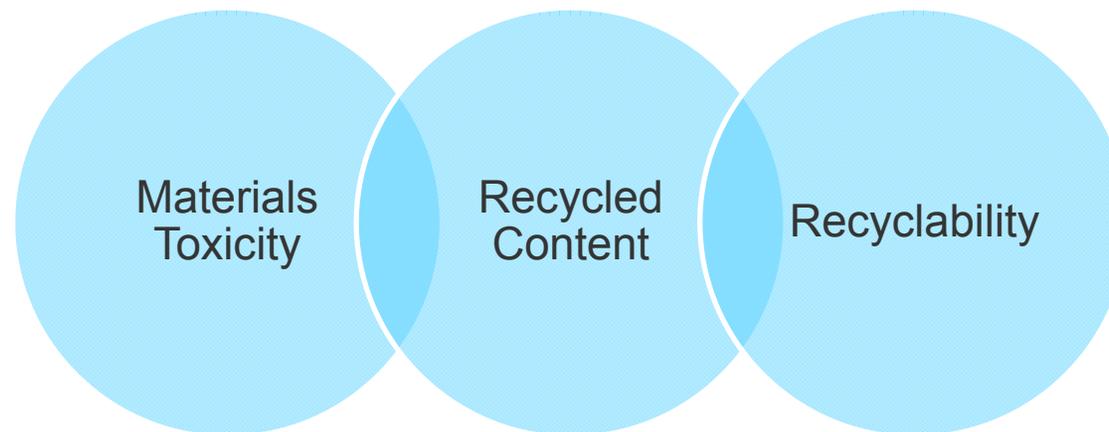


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# ENERGY STAR Consumer Value



- ENERGY STAR is committed to delivering energy efficiency **and** product features and functions that consumers value
- Ensure that UPS products meet minimum expectations of:



- Leveraging existing standards rather than create new requirements.

# Industry initiatives: Toxicity, Recyclability/Recycled Content and LCA



- A number of UPS manufacturers have noted their voluntary compliance with the EU's, "Directive on restriction of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS)"
  - RoHS sets restrictive levels of lead, mercury, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, polybrominated biphenyls and polybrominated diphenyl ethers in electrical and electronic equipment
  - Substances controlled by the RoHS directive are also being addressed by IEC 62040-4 draft standard on UPS environmental aspects requirements and reporting

# ENERGY STAR Proposal: Toxicity and Recyclability/Recycled Content Requirements



EPA proposes that UPS manufactures abide by the RoHS Directive

- Many manufacturers currently have voluntary RoHS compliance for their UPS products.

UPSs are not specifically delineated within WEEE

- Products within scope of the RoHS directive fall under categories set out in Annex IA and Annex IB of the EU Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive (WEEE) directive

Category Nine within WEEE (Monitoring and Control Equipment) might be applicable to UPSs

- Category Nine is not within scope under the RoHS directive, but it is expected to come into scope in 2014.

EPA applauds the UPS industry's voluntary initiatives for reducing environmental impacts and encourages discussion of plans for future compliance.

# Open Comment

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- EPA would now like to open up the line for any comments from stakeholders pertaining to:

**Toxicity and Recyclability Requirements**

# Qualification Processes



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# ENERGY STAR PPDS Content



## General UPS Product Information

- UPS Configuration
- Mechanical Characteristics
- Environmental and Other Conditions for Operation
- Communication and Measurement
- Consumer education (e.g., running the UPSs in an energy saving mode)

## Energy Efficiency & Power Profile

- Output power and efficiency values at the tested loads
- Rectifier TEER for Dc-Output UPSs

## Battery/Stored Energy Characteristics

- Technology
- Design or float service life
- Quantity of cells and strings
- Nominal voltage
- Stored energy time
- Restored energy time
- Battery removal and storage (UPS/Datacenter best practices)
- US recycling programs

# ENERGY STAR UPS PPDS Development Status

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- PPDS draft includes proposals to:
  1. Report information pertaining to the adoption of typical 'best practices' that minimize power consumption of data centers
    - E.g., separability of batteries from UPSs
  2. Report participation in battery recycling programs within the U.S. or provide links to websites with this information
- Upon finalization, all PPDS will be represented on the product website
  - All ENERGY STAR data center products will utilize the same format, currently under development
  - EPA is looking into the creation of an interactive PPDS form for use on manufacturer websites

# Open Comment

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- EPA would now like to open up the line for any comments from stakeholders pertaining to:

**Power and Performance Datasheet**

# ENERGY STAR Third Party Certification



- Third-party certification of test data prior to qualification and labeling
- Organizations become recognized by EPA under the scope of each product category

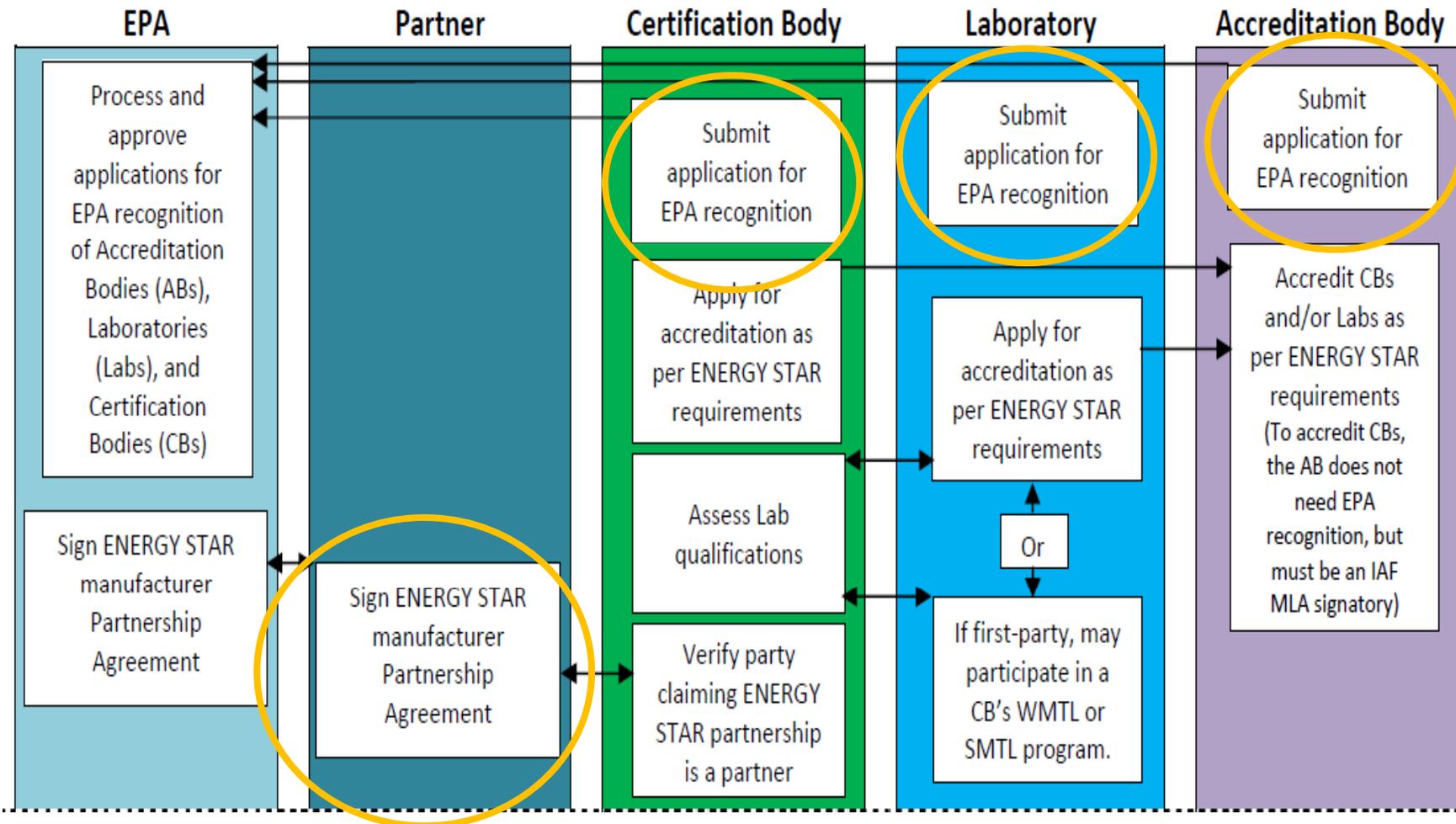
## EPA Recognized Organizations:

**Accreditation Bodies**

**Certification Bodies**

**Laboratories**

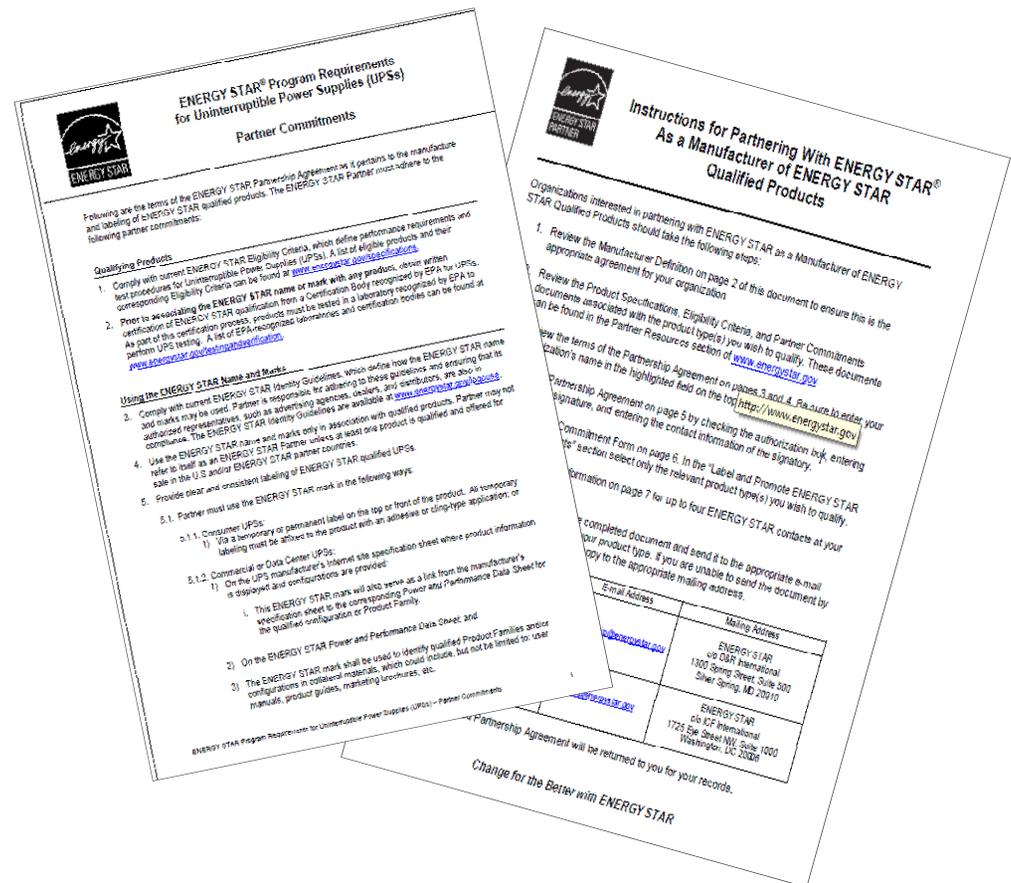
# ENERGY STAR Partnership & Recognition Process



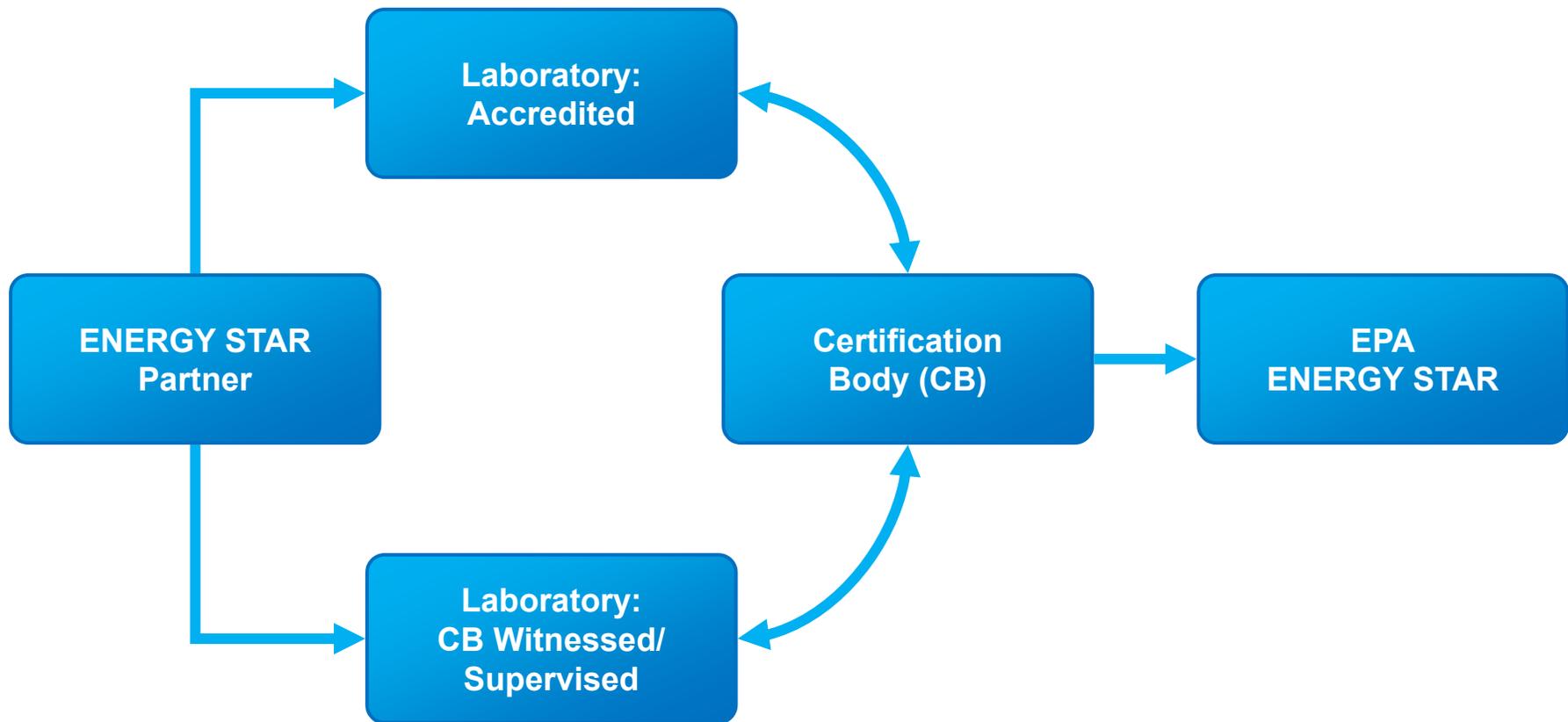
# ENERGY STAR Manufacturer Partner Commitments



- Draft UPS Partner Commitments released for review
- Once UPS Program Requirements are finalized, Manufacturers submit a Partnership Agreement



# Product Qualification Process



# Laboratories for UPS Testing



- Units may be tested in a **third-party** EPA Recognized accredited Laboratory

**-or-**

- CB may operate a program to accept test data from a **first-party** lab operating under witness or supervision
  - i.e. a witnessed or supervised manufacturer's test lab (WMTL/SMTL)

# ENERGY STAR Recognized Certification Bodies for UPSs

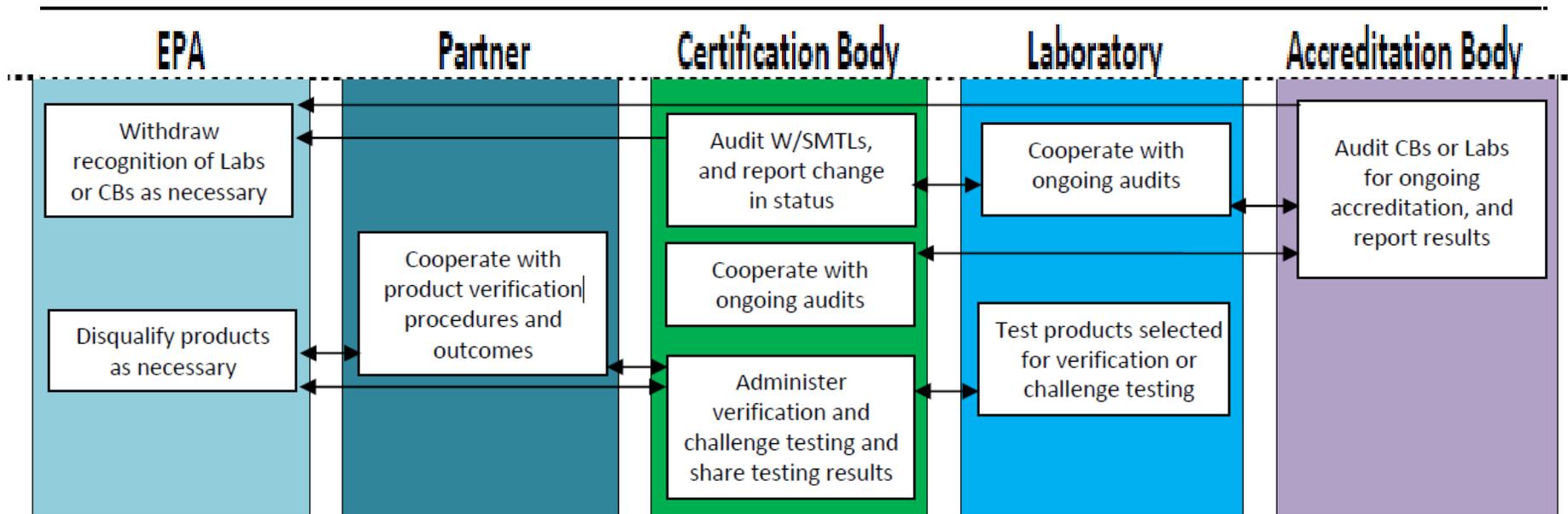


- CB is responsible for operating product certification program compliant with ISO/IEC Guide 65
  - After certification process is completed, CB will notify partner of qualification or rejection, or request additional information
  - If CB determines the product is qualified, it will provide EPA with appropriate data so the product may be added to the ENERGY STAR Qualified Product List
- EPA encourages interested Certification Bodies to participate in the UPS specification development process

# ENERGY STAR Ongoing Testing and Verification



- EPA conducts ongoing verification – at least 10% of models qualified by each CB to be tested per year, taking product families into account



# ENERGY STAR Verification & Challenge Testing Processes

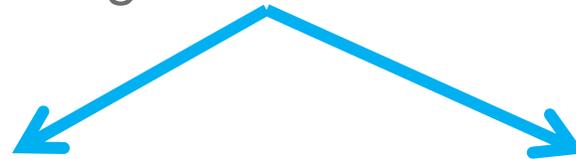


- Certification Body to administer verification testing:
  - Combination of random and pre-selected models
  - Unit procurement: off-the-shelf where feasible; other channels possible as long as 3<sup>rd</sup> party personnel selects units
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> party laboratory must be used (if not feasible, CB witnesses testing)
- Certification Bodies also have a challenge testing procedure in place with the following conditions of initiation:
  - Challengee has been notified
  - Model number has been clearly identified
  - Sound basis has been established

# ENERGY STAR Testing and Verification Approaches



- EPA and DOE require that products be tested for purposes of verification consistent with how they were tested for purposes of qualification using one of the following approaches:



If a product was qualified based on a single test, then verification testing will involve a single test.

If a product was qualified based on multiple test samples, then 4 units will be procured at once for verification testing.

If a spot check on the first unit fails by 5% or more, the additional 3 units will be tested and statistical methods applied to the results to determine failure.

- Stakeholders commented that there may be **unit-to-unit variation within the same UPS model**

# Manufacturing Variation & Representative Models

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- Representative Models shall be selected for testing
  - Multiple internal configurations?
  - Report Representative Model/configuration on the PPDS or other centralized location?
- EPA welcomes further stakeholder information and comment on this issue

# Specification Effective Date



## Proposed Specification Effective Date

Friday, October 14, 2011

- By this date, all Program Requirements will be finalized:
  - Manufacturers may submit Partnership Agreements to [ups@energystar.gov](mailto:ups@energystar.gov)
  - Accreditation Bodies, Certification Bodies, & Laboratories may become recognized by EPA

# Testing and Verification Resources



- For more information regarding testing and verification please visit:

[www.energystar.gov/TestingAndVerification](http://www.energystar.gov/TestingAndVerification)

- Access final requirements for accreditation bodies, laboratories, and certification bodies
- Find answers to frequently asked questions
- View complete ENERGY STAR Third-Party Certification Process Flow Diagram

# Open Comment

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**Qualification Processes**

# Additional Topics



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# Refurbished UPS



- Partners wishing to label refurbished units shall qualify them to the ENERGY STAR program requirements in effect at the time the units are refurbished for sale
- EPA is proposing that refurbished UPSs be qualified based on a standard combination of original unit and a refurbishment kit
  - All units refurbished in the same fashion by the same partner could then display the ENERGY STAR mark



# Refurbished UPS Market and Processes



- EPA invites stakeholders to comment on:
  - Refurbished v. Remanufactured UPSs
  - Refurbished UPS market share and potential
  - Typical refurbished UPS end-users
  - The typical process for refurbishing UPS units
  - Benefit of an ENERGY STAR label for refurbished UPSs.



# Product Labeling

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- Consumer:
  - Temporary or permanent physical label on product
- Commercial and Data Center:
  - Place ENERGY STAR mark on product's electronic specification sheet, with link to PPDS.
  - Place mark on PPDS.
  - Use in collateral materials such as manuals, product guides, brochures, etc.

# Open Comment

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- EPA would now like to open up the line for any comments from stakeholders pertaining to:

**Refurbished UPSs and Product Labeling**

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# Upcoming ENERGY STAR Buildings Webinar



- Communications capability is common in Data Center UPS
  - However, stakeholders commented that requiring meters to be placed on the output of UPS units could lead to additional costs and power consumption
- EPA intends to hold a webinar with the ENERGY STAR Buildings group to further discuss communications capability and metering options related to both Data Centers and UPSs
  - An announcement with agenda and RSVP information will be sent

**ENERGY STAR Buildings Group and UPS Webinar**

**Monday, August 8, 2011, 3-5 PM EDT**



# Next Round: Draft 3 or Draft Final Specification?

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- EPA is open to stakeholder feedback on the publication of a Draft 3 Specification before the Final Specification

# Anticipated Specification Development Timeline



- **August/Early September:**
  - Receive comment on Draft 2 Specification and revised Test Method by **Thursday, August 11**
  - Draft 2 revisions
  - Publish Final Draft Specification
- **Late September/October:**
  - Stakeholder Webinar
  - Receive comment on Final Draft Specification and Test Method
  - Final Specification published

**Proposed Specification Effective Date**

Friday, October 14, 2011

# Comments

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- In addition to making verbal comments during today's meeting, stakeholders are strongly encouraged to submit written comments and data
- Please send all comments to: [ups@energystar.gov](mailto:ups@energystar.gov)

## Comment Deadline

Thursday, August 11, 2011

# Open Comment

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- EPA would now like to open up the line for any general comments from stakeholders.

# Meeting Adjourn



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# References and Resources

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- Energy Star UPS specification development:  
Go to [www.energystar.gov/NewSpecs](http://www.energystar.gov/NewSpecs) and Click on “Uninterruptible Power Supplies”
- Energy Star Data Center efficiency initiatives:  
[http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=prod\\_development.server\\_efficiency](http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=prod_development.server_efficiency)
- US Task Force Leaders Agreement on Measuring Efficiency in a Data Center (energy must be measured at output of UPS):  
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