

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460



OFFICE OF AIR AND RADIATION

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Dear Commercial Oven Partner or Other Interested Stakeholder:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) welcomes your input on the Draft 4 Version 2.0 ENERGY STAR® Commercial Oven specification. With this draft, the Agency is proposing refinements to the performance levels for convection ovens. Stakeholders are encouraged to submit comments to EPA no later than February 20, 2013.

This draft reflects input received from stakeholders in response to the Draft 3 specification and discussions at the ASTM technical committee meeting, and is informed by additional data. Important discussion topics are highlighted in note boxes located throughout the draft specification.

The Draft 4 Version 2.0 specification reflects the following modest changes:

1. Definitions: Minor changes and restructuring of terms are highlighted in note boxes.
2. Convection Oven Efficiency Requirements: This draft reflects a reduction to the idle energy rate for full-size gas convection ovens from 13,000 Btu/h to 12,000 Btu/h. This draft also reflects a modest reduction in the cooking-energy efficiency requirement for electric ovens from 72% to 71%.
3. Test method: This draft includes a set of refinements to the ASTM test method intended to provide clarity for partners testing and certifying commercial ovens to this ENERGY STAR specification.
4. Effective date: EPA intends to finalize the Version 2.0 Commercial Oven specification by April 1, 2013. Any eligible unit may qualify immediately upon finalization, once it is certified to the Version 2.0 requirements by an EPA recognized Certification Body (CB). Effective **January 6, 2014**, all currently qualified units must meet the Version 2.0 requirements and be third party certified to remain on the ENERGY STAR Qualified Product List (QPL). Manufacturers of products that do not meet eligibility and certification requirements as of this date must cease using the ENERGY STAR mark to promote their products.

Submittal of Written Comments

Comments on the Draft 4 Version 2.0 specification should be submitted via email to commercialovens@energystar.gov by **February 20, 2013**. All comments received 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. To track EPA's progress in revising the ENERGY STAR Commercial Oven specification and to review comments, please visit the Product

Development website at www.energystar.gov/RevisedSpecs (and click on "Commercial Ovens).

Thank you for your continued support of ENERGY STAR. Please contact me at (202) 343-9046 or kent.christopher@epa.gov or Adam Spitz, of ICF International at (202) 862-1226 or adam.spitz@icfi.com with any questions or comments regarding this specification revision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christopher Kent". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "C".

Christopher Kent,
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