

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

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing an update to the ENERGY STAR Imaging Equipment (IE) [specification](#) to add criteria for professional imaging equipment. This proposal is based on data gathered per the [Version 3.0](#) professional imaging equipment test method. Products that have been certified to Version 3.0 and Version 3.1 will not be affected by this change and will remain ENERGY STAR certified.

Over the past year, EPA has had ongoing discussions with stakeholders regarding appropriate criteria for differentiating professional imaging equipment. As part of these discussions, several manufacturers have tested their products per the Version 3.0 professional imaging equipment test method and submitted resulting data to EPA for consideration. After analyzing these data, EPA proposes to amend the ENERGY STAR criteria to incorporate new professional imaging efficiency metrics for active mode and ready mode, the two modes with the greatest effect on the overall energy consumption of these products. This proposal includes separate active mode criteria for color and monochrome products. Further, EPA has proposed levels that enable products of a variety of speeds to qualify.

EPA welcomes stakeholder input on this proposed amendment. Stakeholders are encouraged to submit any comments to [imagingequipment@energystar.gov](mailto:imagingequipment@energystar.gov) by June 1, 2021. 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. Materials associated with this amendment are posted to the ENERGY STAR Product Development website.

Please contact me at [Fogle.Ryan@epa.gov](mailto:Fogle.Ryan@epa.gov) or 202-343-9153 or Cody Niblett, ICF, at [Cody.Niblett@icf.com](mailto:Cody.Niblett@icf.com) or (202) 862-1245 with questions or concerns about this amendment. For other imaging equipment related questions, please contact [imagingequipment@energystar.gov](mailto:imagingequipment@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 3.2 Specification](#)