

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



OFFICE OF AIR AND RADIATION

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Dear ENERGY STAR® Commercial Oven Brand Owner or Other Interested Party:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to share a final draft of changes to the Version 2.1 ENERGY STAR Commercial Ovens specification that adds rack ovens to its scope. These changes, reflected in a Version 2.2, will not affect the status of any currently certified models. EPA would like to thank the many stakeholders who contributed valuable feedback that has informed this specification development process.

The Final Draft document outlines the energy efficiency requirements that rack ovens would need to meet in order to earn the ENERGY STAR. Manufacturers may begin certifying commercial rack ovens to the Version 2.2 specification immediately upon its finalization.

Summary of the Final Draft Proposal

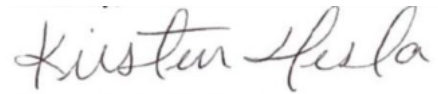
This draft reflects written and verbal input received from stakeholders in response to the Draft 2 specification. Most stakeholders expressed support for the proposed rack oven performance requirements, which remain unchanged from the Draft 2 proposal. One stakeholder shared a concern that too little emphasis was being placed on baking-energy efficiency. This stakeholder suggested that EPA consider relaxing the idle rate for double rack ovens while also making the baking-efficiency level more stringent. After reviewing the available rack oven data and industry vetted usage patterns, EPA believes the proposed levels recognize top performers consistent with how products are generally used.

Detailed responses to submitted comments are highlighted in note boxes throughout the draft specification. Written comments submitted to EPA in response to Draft 2 are posted to the ENERGY STAR website at www.energystar.gov/revisedspecs.

Any comments on the Final Draft Version 2.2 specification should be submitted via e-mail to commercialovens@energystar.gov by September 17, 2015. EPA intends to finalize this specification this month. All comments received will be posted to the ENERGY STAR Commercial Ovens specification development webpage, which can be accessed through www.energystar.gov/revisedspecs (click on the Commercial Ovens "Version 2.2 is in development" link), unless the submitter requests otherwise.

Thank you for taking the time to review this draft specification. Stakeholders with questions or comments can contact me directly at (202) 564-2984 and Hesla.Kirsten@epa.gov or Adam Spitz, ICF International, at (916) 231-7685 and Adam.Spitz@icfi.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kirsten Hesla". The signature is written in a dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Kirsten Hesla, Product Manager
ENERGY STAR Commercial Ovens