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Dear ENERGY STAR® EVSE Brand Owner, Certification Body, or Other Interested Party:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will be hosting a webinar on Thursday, April 7, 2022, from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM Eastern to discuss the ENERGY STAR Version 1.1 EVSE connected functionality criteria. EPA encourages all EVSE brand owners and certification bodies to attend. Please register for the webinar [here](#).

EPA released the [Version 1.1 EVSE Specification](#) on March 31, 2021. This specification includes all current criteria for both AC and DC EVSE, as well as optional connected functionality criteria in Section 3.10. These connected criteria seek to identify products that provide consumer amenity and grid services through connection to other systems. EVSE that comply with these criteria are identified on the ENERGY STAR website as being 'Connected Capable'.

The connected criteria were updated in the Version 1.1 Specification with the intention of making this designation more useful to utilities and other organizations. The updated criteria largely built upon the criteria in Version 1.0, with the addition of more prescriptive product capabilities. As a result of the changes to these criteria, brand owners that previously had AC EVSE certified as connected capable on the ENERGY STAR website prior to March 2021 need to work with their certification body to update their listings to reflect if the charger meets the updated requirements.

Since March 2021, when the Version 1.1 Specification took effect, EPA has received a number of inquiries from utilities requesting a list of products that meet the connected criteria. Upon speaking with several manufacturers, EPA realized there may be some confusion regarding the criteria. As a result, EPA is hosting this webinar to review the requirements, answer stakeholder questions, and encourage brand owners to certify their products as 'Connected Capable'.

All materials related to the Version 1.1 Specification development effort (stakeholder comments, previous drafts of the specification and test method, etc.) are available on the [ENERGY STAR Version 1.1 EVSE Specification Development webpage](#).

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