



# ENERGY STAR Qualified Imaging Equipment Specification Revision

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# Meeting Overview



- Welcome & introductions (10:00 – 10:15)
- Meeting objectives (10:15 – 10:20)
- Presentation of Directional Draft (10:20 – 10:55)
  - Background
  - Rationale for Directional Draft
  - Main content areas
  - Feedback received
- Next steps & timeline (10:55 – 11:00)
- Open discussion (11:00 – 12:00)

# Meeting Objectives



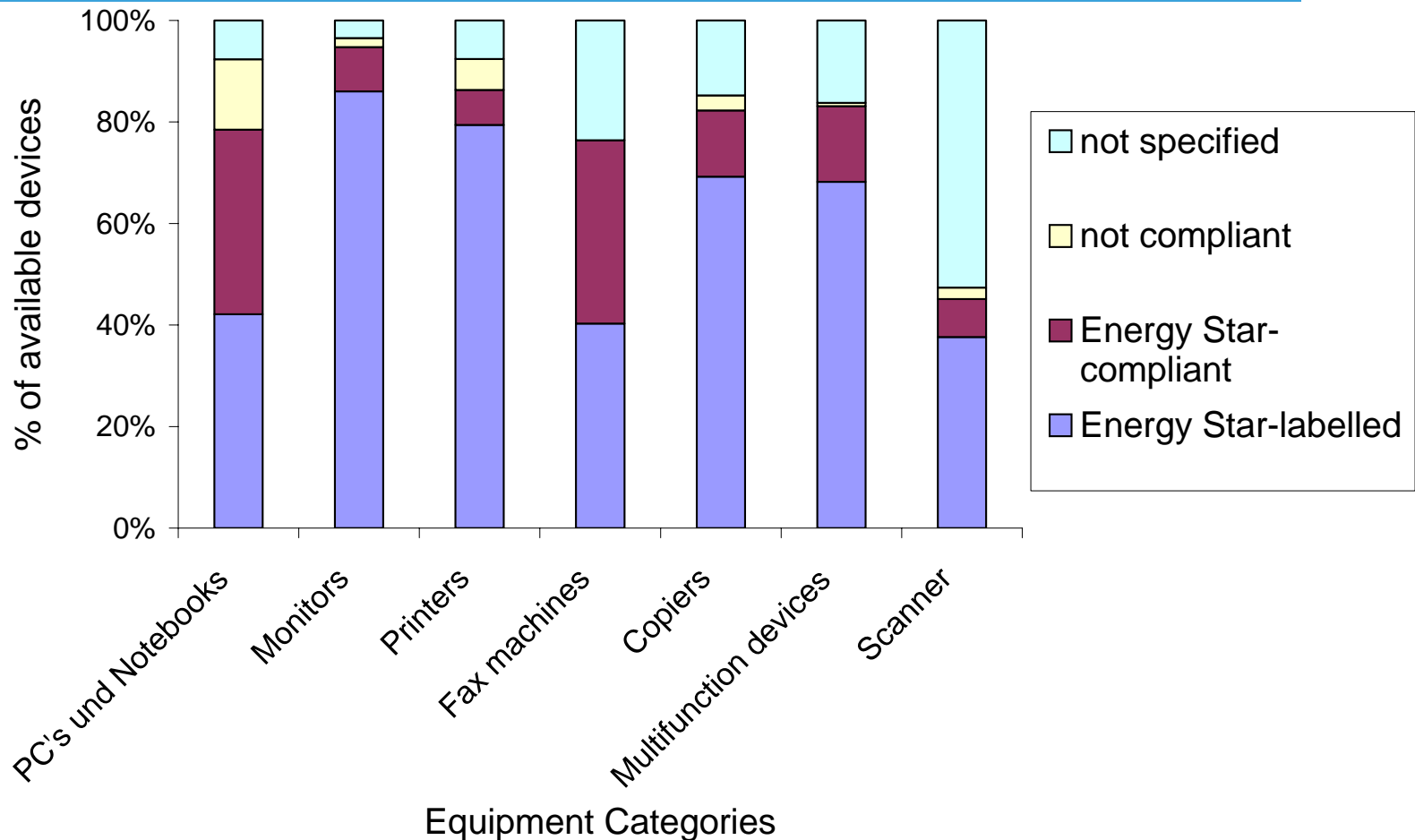
- Understand everyone's role in this process
- Identify areas for future contribution
- Ensure understanding of what EPA has done & why
- Exchange ideas openly
- Develop thoughts for expanding the Directional Draft into a First Draft

# The Need for Revision



- Current specifications are outdated
- Conclusions from Lawrence Berkley National Laboratory's (LBNL) recent imaging equipment metering:
  - +90% of products metered met current specification
  - Results show top quartile of products are better than current specification
- Similar situation in Europe

# Similar Situation in Europe



Percentages of ENERGY STAR labeled & ENERGY STAR compliant products on the Austrian supplier market.

# Developing the Directional Draft



- In early 2003, EPA began revising imaging specifications under a single effort
  - Begins with market & engineering analysis
  - Review of Guiding Principles
  - Industry meetings & feedback
- Release of Directional Draft for comment
- Where are we today?

# Directional Draft - Rationale



- Summarizes thinking to date
- Proposes a possible framework for specification
- Precedes a First Draft
- Identifies objectives of Directional Draft & revision process, & timeline
- Sets some specification levels & has placeholders
  - Recovery time from sleep is TBD under the operational mode track
- Responds to ITI's proposal & presents stakeholder concerns heard to date
- Strongly encourages feedback



# Directional Draft – Main Content Areas



- A single umbrella specifications document covering all imaging equipment products
- A two-tracked approach
  - Typical Electricity Consumption (TEC) concept for copiers & MFDs
  - Traditional operational mode approach (sleep, low power) for printers, fax machines, scanners, mailing machines
- Appendices
  - Identify additional items for discussion

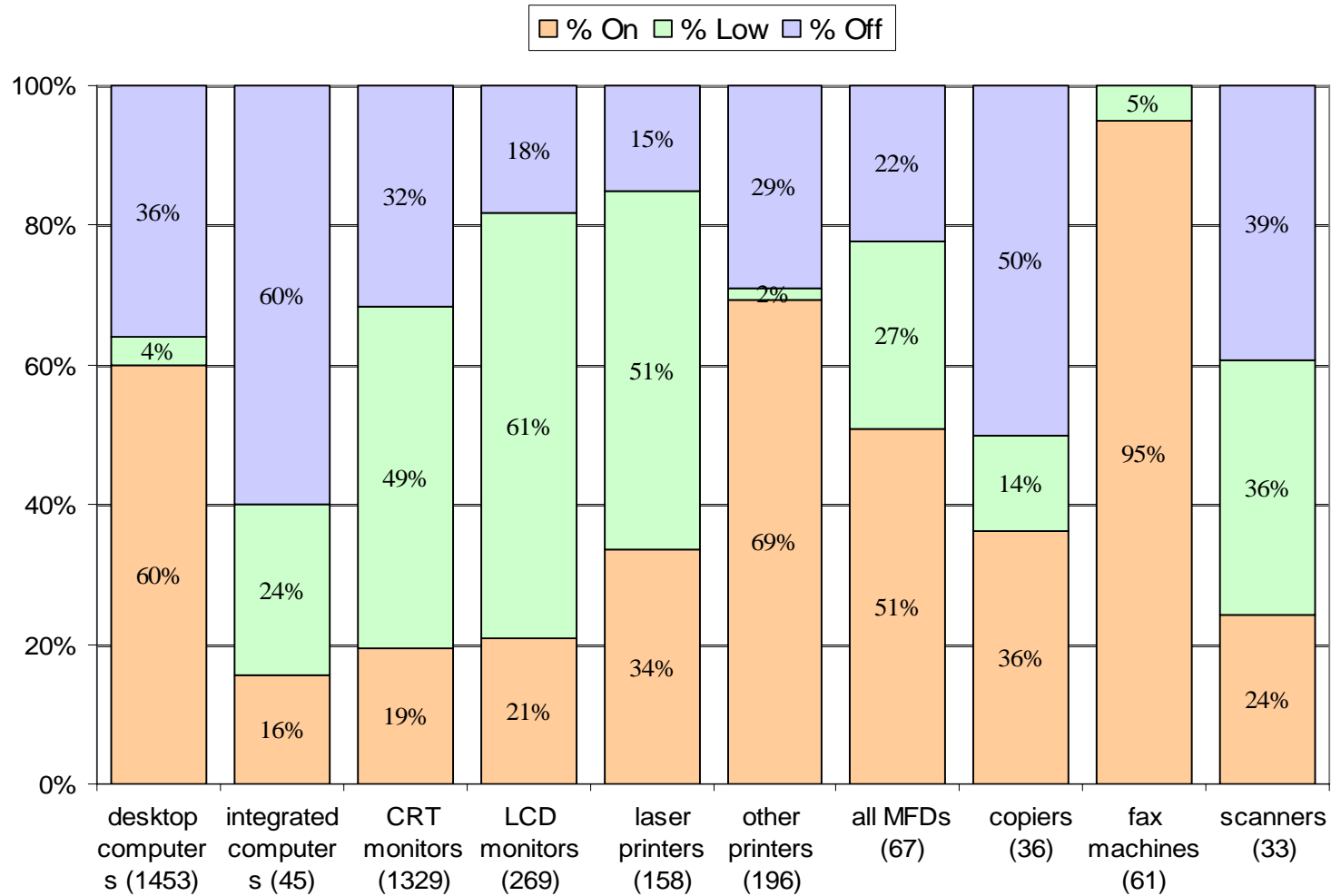


# Directional Draft – Rationale for Considering a TEC Approach



- Improve energy savings despite low PM enabling rates &/or long default times
- Address products' power consumption throughout total duty cycle
- Provide manufacturers flexibility to:
  - Reduce energy consumption in any or all modes
  - Improve user satisfaction
- Borrows from existing international standards

# Power States of Office Equipment\*



\*From LBNL's 2003 National Night Audits of Office and Miscellaneous Equipment <sup>10</sup>

# Directional Draft - Operational Mode Approach Objectives



## Group similar products

Printer/fax combos

MFDs

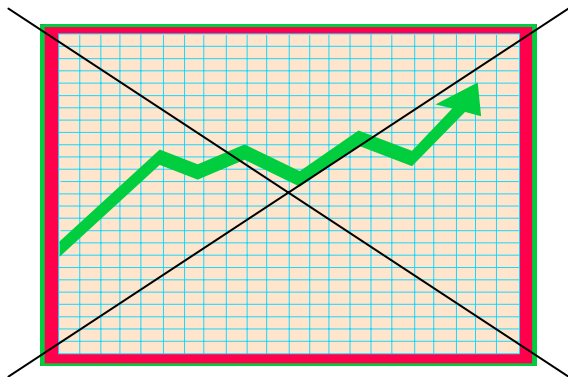
## Group marking tech. more appropriately

Serial color EP

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Parallel color EP

## Use linear formulas

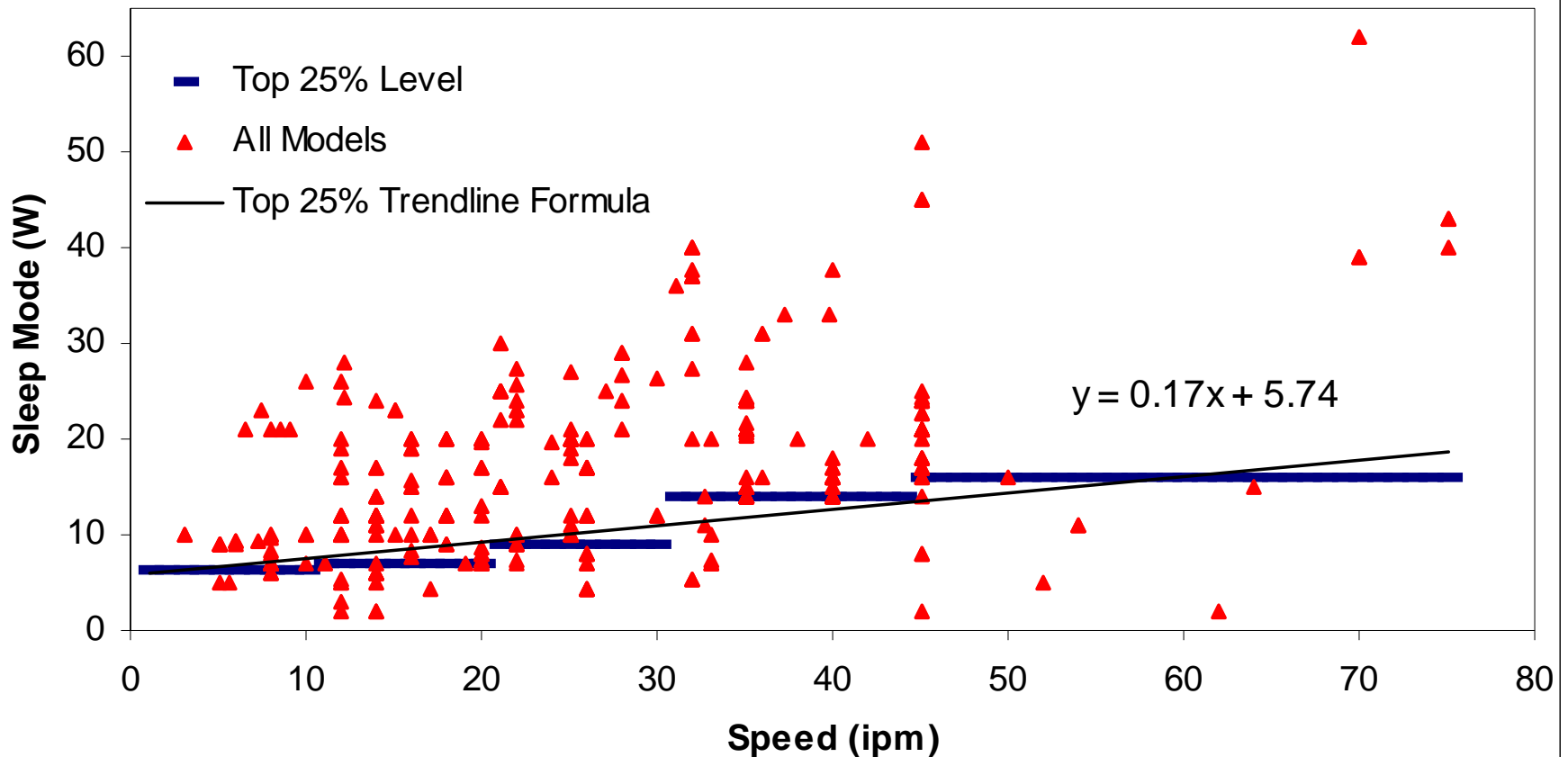


Seek to recognize approximately 25% of the market at the time the specification is set

# Operational Mode Approach



## Monochrome EP, Thermal Transfer, LED, Dye Sublimation, and Impact Printers: Top 25%



# Analysis of Compliance



| <b>Product</b>             | <b>% Products that Meet</b> | <b>% Partners with 1 Compliant Product</b> |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Fax Machines               | 28                          | 55   |
| Ink Jet Printers           | 29                          | 55   |
| Non-IJ Monochrome Printers | 20                          | 68   |
| Non-IJ Color Printers      | 17                          | 56   |
| Large Format Printers      | 32                          | 44   |
| Scanners                   | 25                          | 53   |
| Mailing Machines           | 18                          | 100  |

# Directional Draft - Appendices



- Definitions
- Partner Commitments addressing labeling & submission of shipment data
- Discussion of grandfathering & remanufacturing
- Summary of partner-reported data used to derive formulas
- Guiding principles
- Stakeholder questions

# Feedback on Directional Draft - Scope



- Feedback received from 18 entities including **manufacturers, international program implementers, and interest groups** in:
  - Austria
  - Canada
  - Denmark
  - Germany
  - Japan
  - The Netherlands
  - The US



# TEC Approach



- Many respondents support TEC concept
- Two concerns raised:
  - Ensuring efficiency tests in lab reasonably reflect efficiency in the “real world.”
  - The need for more information on how TEC efficiency targets will be set in order to evaluate approach



# Product Categorization

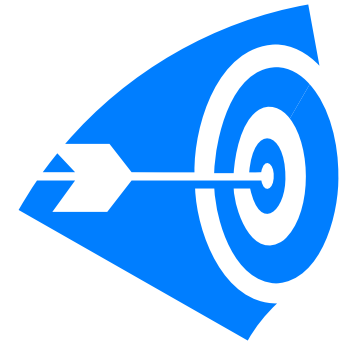


- Which products should be addressed by TEC?
  - How should specification and test method be adapted?
- Grouping products by service, and not technology
- Dividing by use (business vs. consumer)
- Niche products
- The need for separate specifications if networked

# TEC Formula



- Clarify DD formula (Wh/h)
  - Specify time period to avoid confusion with cancellation of units
- Various time period suggestions
  - 1 day or 24 hours
  - 1 week
  - 1 month
- Differing opinions on including Warm-up from Off
  - Not necessary if equipment is left on continually



# TEC Test Procedure



- Borrow from ASTM F757 and ISO554
- Some advocate compressed testing timeframe while others prefer something more representative of actual use
- Other issues:
  - Simplex vs. duplex
  - Sheet volume per job
  - Paper size and weight

# Product Usage



| <b>LOCATION</b>   | <b>APR</b> | <b>JUN</b> | <b>OCT</b> | <b>DEC</b> | <b>YEARLY TOTAL</b> | <b>COPIES / WEEK</b> |
|-------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Fairfax, VA       | 61,271     | 58,209     | 66,514     | 65,407     | <b>628,859</b>      | <b>12,093</b>        |
| Washington, DC    | 42,800     | 24,388     | 28,822     | 21,013     | <b>318,372</b>      | <b>6,123</b>         |
| Albany, NY        | 4,377      | 7,490      | 8,600      | 2,258      | <b>95,195</b>       | <b>1,831</b>         |
| Los Angeles, CA   | 7,830      | 3,982      | 1,390      | 8,710      | <b>47,301</b>       | <b>910</b>           |
| San Francisco, CA | 31,352     | 9,046      | 10,797     | 6,810      | <b>166,715</b>      | <b>3,206</b>         |
| Lexington, MA     | 8,485      | 4,193      | 14,170     | 3,204      | <b>72,871</b>       | <b>1,401</b>         |
| Houston, TX       | 936        | 1,934      | 694        | 697        | <b>13,271</b>       | <b>255</b>           |

# Operational Mode Approach



- Some feedback indicates equations are biased toward lower speed product models
  - Discussing alternative methods
  - Test data and market penetration information are needed from industry to evaluate higher speed bands
- Consider adding “On” mode to Operational Mode Approach
- Add power allowance for networking in all products

# Recovery Time



- Need to carefully balance recovery times and power requirements
- Need to more clearly define recovery time
- Differing opinions on whether recovery time should be specified
  - Only in TEC
  - Only in Operational Mode Approach
  - Only for specific product categories (e.g., copiers, but *not* printers and scanners)
  - Not at all



# Definitions



- Need for clear definitions
  - Operational Modes
    - Standby is unclear
  - No need for warm up and recovery from off
  - Others
    - Accessory
    - Marking technology
    - Products

# Other Comments



- General support for formula vs. step approach
- Color vs. monochrome speed
- Test page
- DFEs
- Self-learning default time control
- Indirect energy savings
  - Paper saving
    - Combine imaging
    - Duplexing
- Remanufactured products



# Feedback on Directional Draft – What Have We Learned?



- Feedback is varied and continued cooperation is imperative
- Decide if proceeding with TEC and dual-tracked approach
  - Industry wants a test procedure
- Additional research needed on usage patterns
- Importance of clear definitions
- Need for improved data sources

# Next Steps



| Action Item                                | Time Frame    |
|--|---------------|
| Frequent industry updates                  | Ongoing       |
| Continue to provide feedback on drafts     | Ongoing       |
| Begin draft test procedure                 | April         |
| Contribute data from international markets | May           |
| Complete review of comments & respond      | May           |
| Partner meeting in the US                  | Summer        |
| First Draft Specification                  | Summer        |
| Goal to complete spec revision             | 1st Qtr. 2005 |