



**California Energy Commission
October 18, 2023 Business Meeting
Backup Materials for Agenda Item No 08:
Flexible Demand Appliance Standards for Pool Controls (Docket 23-FDAS-01)**

The following backup materials for the above-referenced agenda item are available as described below:

1. Proposed Resolution, attached below.
2. [Notice of Proposed Action](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=248923&DocumentContentId=83468), available at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=248923&DocumentContentId=83468>.
3. [Proposed Express Terms](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=252510&DocumentContentId=87582), attached below and available at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=252510&DocumentContentId=87582>.
4. [Initial Statement of Reasons](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=248924&DocumentContentId=83467), available at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=248924&DocumentContentId=83467>.
5. [Staff Report](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=248922&DocumentContentId=83469), available at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/GetDocument.aspx?tn=248922&DocumentContentId=83469>.

For the complete rulemaking record, please visit: [Docket Log \(23-FDAS-01\)](#)

To stay informed about this rulemaking and receive documents as they are filed, please subscribe to the proceeding Topic, which can be accessed here:

<https://www.energy.ca.gov/proceeding/pool-controls>. The Topic sends out email notifications and direct links when documents are filed in the proceeding docket.

RESOLUTION NO: 23-1018-08

DOCKET NO. 23-FDAS-01

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

**RESOLUTION: ADOPTION OF FLEXIBLE DEMAND APPLIANCE STANDARDS FOR
POOL CONTROLS (Docket 23-FDAS-01)**

WHEREAS, on February 23, 2023, the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (CEC) mailed and posted on the CEC's website a Notice of Proposed Action (NOPA) formally notifying the public of the CEC's intent to adopt proposed Flexible Demand Appliance Standards for Pool Controls, the proposed regulations, the Initial Statement of Reasons (ISOR) describing the rationale for the proposal, and the Economic Impact Statement (Form 399); and

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2023, the NOPA was published in the California Regulatory Notice Register, delivered to the secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency, and distributed to the CEC's Appliance Efficiency Standards, the CEC Initial Rulemaking Interest, the Flexible Demand Appliances, and the Load Management and Demand Response email subscription lists, and to every person that requested notice of such matters. The NOPA stated that a public hearing to hear comments on the proposed regulations would be held on April 11, 2023; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2023, the 45-day written comment period established by the NOPA closed; and

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2023, the CEC staff for the rulemaking held a public hearing for the proposed regulations, as noticed in the NOPA, to receive oral comments on the proposed regulations; and

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2023, the CEC published a notice of 15-day comment period proposing changes to the proposed language based on comments received during the 45-day comment period and the April 11, 2023, public hearing; and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2023, the CEC published a notice of 15-day comment period replacing the notice issued on June 21, 2023, and restarting the 15-day comment period due to errors identifying some of the changes in the proposed regulatory language, and

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2023, the 15-day comment period closed; and

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2023, the CEC published a second notice of 15-day comment period proposing further changes to the proposed language based on comments received during the prior 15-day comment period; and

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2023, the second 15-day comment period closed; and

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2023, the CEC published a Final Proposed Regulatory Text that included two non-substantive changes from the regulatory text published on September 1, 2023;

WHEREAS, each of the above-referenced documents and notices was posted on the CEC's website and provided to every person on the CEC's Appliance Efficiency Standards, the CEC Initial Rulemaking Interest, the Flexible Demand Appliances, and the Load Management and Demand Response email subscription lists, and to every person who had requested notice of such matters; and

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2023, the CEC considered adoption of the proposed regulations at its business meeting; and

THEREFORE, THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION FINDS:

With regard to the California Environmental Quality Act:

- The CEC has considered the application of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to the proposed regulations and concluded that the proposed regulations are exempt from CEQA requirements under the categorical exemptions set forth in California Code of Regulations, Title 14, sections 15306, 15307, and 15308, and under the common sense exemption pursuant to section 15061(b)(3); and

With regard to the Warren-Alquist Act:

- The proposed regulations will reduce emissions of greenhouse gases associated with electricity generation by enabling appliance operations to be scheduled, shifted, or curtailed. Specifically, the regulations will enable flexible operations for pool controls and, generally, set the foundation for a program that will continue to pursue opportunities to achieve GHG reductions and other benefits through flexible demand technologies.
- The regulations are based on feasible improvements and attainable efficiencies; and
- The CEC considered cybersecurity protocols that are equally or more protective than the National Institute of Standards and Technology's reliability and cybersecurity protocols and the North American Electric Reliability Corporation's Critical Infrastructure Protection standards; and
- The regulations are cost-effective; and

With regard to the Administrative Procedure Act:

- The proposed regulations will not result in the creation of new businesses or elimination of existing businesses, will not result in the expansion of businesses currently doing business in California, and will not result in a significant statewide adverse economic impact directly affecting business, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states; and
- The proposed regulation will impose no direct cost or savings, or direct or indirect requirements or mandates, on state agencies, local agencies, or school districts, including but not limited to costs that are required to be reimbursed under Part 7 (commencing with section 17500) of Division 4 of the Government Code, when savings accruing over the lifetime of the appliance is considered; and
- The proposed regulations will result in the elimination of some jobs in California but in the net creation of jobs in California; and
- The proposed regulations will result in no costs or savings in federal funding to the State of California; and
- The proposed regulations will result in no discretionary costs or savings to local agencies or school districts; and
- The proposed regulations will have no impact on housing costs; and
- The proposed regulations will result in no significant cost impacts to representative private persons or business in reasonable compliance with the regulations; and
- The proposed regulations will not adversely impact the health and welfare of California residents, or worker safety, or the state's environment; and
- The proposed regulations have no alternatives that would be more effective in carrying out the purpose of the statutes for which it is proposed, that would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons in carrying out those purposes, or that would be more cost effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing those purposes; and
- The proposed regulations will not have a significant adverse economic impact on small business and no alternatives were proposed that would lessen any adverse economic impact on small business; and
- The proposed regulations will not require completion of any new report; and
- None of the comments received during the three separate comment periods, public hearing, or at the public adoption hearing, and nothing else in the record, justified any substantive changes to the proposed regulations as published on September 1, 2023; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, based on the entire record before it, the CEC finds that the proposed regulations are exempt from CEQA under the categorical exemption under California Code of Regulations title 14, sections 15307 and 15308 and

the common sense exemption under section 15061(b)(3) for the reasons stated in the Notice of Exemption prepared for the project; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, after considering all comments received and the staff's responses, and based on the entire record of this proceeding, the CEC hereby adopts a new Chapter 4.1, Article 1, sections 1690, 1691, 1692, 1693, 1694, 1695, 1696, and 1697 into Title 20, Flexible Demand Appliance Standards, as set forth in the proposed language that was published to the rulemaking docket on October 5, 2023; and

The CEC takes this action under the authority of Senate Bill 49 (Skinner, Chapter 697, Statutes of 2019), specifically sections 25402(f) and 25402.11 of the Public Resources Code, authorizing the CEC to develop standards for flexible demand technologies to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from electricity generation; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that documents and other materials that constitute the rulemaking record can be found at the CEC, 715 P Street, Sacramento, California, 95814 in the custody of the Docket Unit and online in [Docket Number 23-FDAS-01](https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-FDAS-01), <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=23-FDAS-01>; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, the CEC delegates the authority and directs staff and the executive director or their designee to take, on behalf of the CEC, all actions reasonably necessary to have the proposed regulations go into effect, including but not limited to making any appropriate non-substantive changes to the regulations; preparing all appropriate documents, such as the Final Statement of Reasons; compiling and submitting the rulemaking file to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL); making any changes to the rulemaking file required by OAL; and preparing and filing the Notice of Exemption with the State Clearinghouse.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretariat to the CEC does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the CEC held on October 18, 2023.

AYE:

NAY:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Dated:

Kristine Banaag
Secretariat

Final Proposed Regulatory Language

Title 20. Public Utilities and Energy
Division 2. State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission
New Chapter 4.1. Flexible Demand
New Article 1. Flexible Demand Appliance Standards
New Sections 1690, 1691, 1692, 1693, 1694, 1695, 1696, and 1697

Adopt Chapter 4.1, Article 1, and the following new sections 1690, 1691, 1692, 1693, 1694, 1695, 1696, and 1697 into Title 20, California Code of Regulations.

The new sections to the code that were made public with the Notice of Proposed Action on February 23, 2023, are as shown in plain text (example). Additional amendments were proposed for a first 15-day public comment period, are shown in double strike (~~example~~) for deletions and double underline (example) for additions.

Additional amendments being proposed for a second 15-day public comment period are shown in italics single strike (~~example~~) for deletions and italics single underline (example) for additions and reads as follows:

Section 1690. Scope.

- (a) This Article applies to the following types of new appliances sold or offered for sale, rented, imported, distributed, or leased for use in California ~~as consumer products~~ regardless of the physical location of the seller and includes, without limitation transactions conducted over telephone or the internet. Unless otherwise specified, each provision applies only to units manufactured on or after the effective date of the provision.

(1) Pool controls that are consumer products designed to use single-phase AC power as input power.

Note:

Authority cited: Sections 25213, 25218, 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 25216.5(d), 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Section 1690.1. Rules of Construction

(a) The following rules of construction apply to this Article:

1. Where the context requires, the singular includes the plural and the plural includes the singular.
2. The use of “and” in a conjunctive provision means that all elements in the provision must be complied with or must exist in order to make the provision

applicable. “Or” (rather than “and/or”) is used where compliance with one or more elements suffices, or where the existence of one or more elements makes the provision applicable.

3. “Shall” is mandatory and “may” is permissive.

Note:

Authority cited: Sections 25213, 25218, 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 25216.5(d), 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Section 1691. Definitions.

In this Article the following definitions apply.

(a) General Definitions.

“Accessible place” means a place on an appliance that can be easily seen without the need for tools to remove any covering.

“Authorized entities” means the owner of the equipment, the user of the equipment, or the owner’s or user’s delegated agent.

“Authentication” means a method of verifying the authority of a user, process, or device to access resources in a connected device ~~an information system.~~

~~“Authentication credentials” means a temporary certificate of clearance or a credential, certificate, or permit authorizing service.~~

"Basic model" means all units of a given type of appliance (or class thereof) that are manufactured by the same manufacturer or manufacturers, have the same primary energy source, and have the same electrical, physical, or functional characteristics that affect compliance with a flexible demand standard.

“Communication layers” mean the organization of communication into separate functional components that interact in a sequential and hierarchical way.

“Communication link” means the mechanism for bidirectional data transfers between the connected device and one or more external applications, devices, or systems.

“Connected device” means any device that can wirelessly communicate via open standards with entities outside the device by means of integrated or separate communications hardware or software. A device that is able to receive but not send communication is not a connected device. ~~is capable of receiving TCP/IP~~

~~signals from the internet, with or without the connections through common home network equipment or radio broadcasting, by means of integrated or separate communications module.~~

“Connected ready device” means a device that is designed to perform as a connected device by means of separate communications hardware or software, where any separate hardware or software needed for communication is not included with the device and must be purchased or acquired separately. For the purpose of this Article a device that includes all communications hardware and software needed to perform as a connected device is not considered connected ready; a device including all hardware and software needed for connectivity is a connected device, even if the included hardware or software is separable or requires installation. See also “connected device”.

~~“TCP/IP signal” means a type of data format used to carry data through the network.~~

~~“Consent” means a customer’s or consumer’s permission or agreement to use the capabilities of an appliance subject to this Article to schedule, shift, or curtail its use through direct action by the customer or consumer or by a third party, load-serving entity, or a grid-balancing authority. Consent may be express or implied.~~

“Consumer” means the end user of an appliance; a consumer may also be a customer of an electric utility. See also “customer”.

“Consumer product” means any appliance or device that consumes energy, controls the energy consumption of another device or appliance, or charges a battery and is distributed in commerce for personal use by individuals.

“Customer” means a purchaser of service from an electric utility; a customer may also be the consumer of an appliance. See also “consumer”.

“Energy Commission” means the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission.

“Executive Director” means the executive director of the Energy Commission or their designee.

“FAD” means the Flexible Appliance Database established pursuant to section 1695(c) of this Article and maintained by the Energy Commission.

“Flexible demand” means the capability to schedule, shift, or curtail the electrical demand of a load-serving entity’s customer or through direct action by the customer or through action by a third party, ~~the~~ load-serving entity, or a grid balancing authority, with the customer’s consent.

~~“Load-serving entity” for purposes of this chapter,~~ means an electrical utility corporation as defined in Section 218 of the Public Utilities Code, an electric service provider as defined in Section 218.3 of the Public Utilities Code, ~~a local publicly owned electric utility as defined in Section 224.3 of the Public Utilities Code,~~ or a community choice aggregator as defined in Section 331.1 of the Public Utilities Code. “Load-serving entity” does not include any of the following:

(1) A local publicly owned electric utility;

~~(2)~~ The State Water Resources Development System commonly known as the State Water Project; or

~~(3)~~ Customer generation located on the customer’s site or providing electric service through arrangements authorized by Public Utilities Code section 218, if the customer generation, or the load it serves, meets one of the following criteria:

(A) It takes standby service from the electrical corporation on a California Public Utilities Commission-approved rate schedule that provides for adequate backup planning and operating reserves for the standby customer class;

(B) It is not physically interconnected to the electrical transmission or distribution grid, so that, if the customer generation fails, backup electricity is not supplied from the electrical grid; or

(C) There is physical assurance that the load served by the customer generation will be curtailed concurrently and commensurately with an outage of the customer generation.

“Local publicly owned electric utility” has the meaning specified in Section 224.3 of the California Public Utilities Code.

“Logical” means accessible through a hardware or software interface.

“Manufacturer” means any person engaged in the production or assembly of an appliance or commercial and industrial equipment, or any person that has responsibility for the production or assembly of an appliance, including but not limited to private brand packagers and re-assemblers.

“Model” means any collection of appliance units to which the manufacturer has assigned the same model number.

“Model number” means a combination of letters, digits, or characters representing the manufacturer, brand, design, or performance of an appliance.

“Open standards” means standards adopted or published, individually or jointly, by one or more of the following organizations: the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), American National Standards Institute (ANSI),

International Organization for Standardization (ISO), International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), International Telecommunication Union (ITU), Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), or Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF).

"Personal information" has the meaning specified in California Civil Code Section 1798.140(v), means any information that identifies, relates to, describes, or is capable of being associated with, a particular individual, including, but not limited to, name, signature, social security number, physical characteristics or description, address, telephone number, passport number, driver's license or state identification card number, insurance policy number, education, employment, employment history, bank account number, credit card number, debit card number, or any other financial information, medical information, or health insurance information. "Personal information" does not include publicly available information that is lawfully made available to the general public from federal, state, or local government records.

"Radio broadcast data system receiver" or "radio data system receiver" means a communications protocol standard for receiving digital information embedded in conventional FM radio broadcasts using IEC 62106-9:2021 or an equivalent open standard, combined with the hardware and software needed to receive and interpret the embedded digital information.

"Security feature" means a collection of functions used to protect the connected device from unauthorized use or unauthorized disclosure of data.

"Sold or offered for sale in California" means any sale of or offer to sell an appliance for end use in the state, regardless of the seller's physical location, and includes, without limitation, internet, telephone, and mail order transactions. For purposes of this Article, the Uniform Commercial Code—Sales (Division 2 (commencing with Section 2101) of the Commercial Code) does not define "sold or offered for sale" or determine where sales or offers for sale occur.

"Special character" means any non-alphanumeric character that can be rendered on a standard, American-English keyboard. ~~The list of, and includes the following~~ ASCII special characters follows: !"#\$%&'()*+,-./:;<=>?@[\\]^_`{|}~

~~"Security feature" means a collection of functions used to protect the connected device from unauthorized use or disclosure of data.~~

(b) Pool Control Definitions.

"Dedicated-purpose pool pump motor" has the meaning specified in 10 CFR 431 Subpart Z (2021) comprises self-priming pool filter pumps, non-self-priming pool filter pumps, waterfall pumps, pressure cleaner booster pumps, integral sand-

~~filter pool pumps, integral cartridge filter pool pumps, storable electric spa pumps, and rigid electric spa pumps.~~

“Direct load control switch” means a ~~clock-operated~~ switch device that is designed, marketed, or sold to start or stop the operation of pool filter pumps or electric pool heaters.

“Electric pool heater” means an appliance designed for heating non-potable water contained at atmospheric pressure, including heating water in swimming pools, spas, hot tubs, and similar applications. The heat source is electricity.

“Heater switch” means a ~~clock-operated~~ switch device that is designed, marketed, or sold to start or stop the operation of electric pool heaters.

“Integral”, when used with respect to pool controls, means controls that are an integral part of a pump or pump motor. Integral controls may be capable of being removed and may be sold separately from the pump or pump motor.

“Pool equipment” means electrical appliances used to provide services or features to pools found around the pool including, but not limited to, dedicated-purpose pool pumps, electric pool heaters, electrolytic chlorinators, lights, cleaners, and water features.

“Pool control” ~~and “pool controls”~~ means equipment with the capability to start, stop, or otherwise control the operation of a pool filter pump and includes, but is not limited to, a pool timer, pool pump switch, heater switch, direct load control switch, or any component or group of components, including software, that has the capability to ~~independently~~ schedule the operation or control the start or stop times of a pool filter pump. Pool controls may control other pool equipment in addition to a pool ~~filter pump.~~

~~(1) Has the capability to start or stop the operation of a pool filter pump and other pool equipment, and~~

~~(2) Uses single-phase AC power as input power.~~

1. “Pool control” and “pool controls” excludes: ~~pool filter pump controls marketed exclusively for use as a control for pool filter pumps with a rated hydraulic horsepower (hhp) greater than 2.5 hhp, and excludes safety interlock or shutoff controls.~~

(A) controls marketed exclusively for use as a control for pool filter pumps with a rated hydraulic horsepower (hhp) greater than 2.5 hhp; or

(B) safety interlock or shutoff controls; or

(C) controls integral to a single pool filter pump or pump motor that are capable of controlling only that pump or motor.

“Pool filter pump” means a product using a dedicated purpose pool pump motor or other type of end suction pump motor for the purpose of circulating pool water through a filter or strainer that:

~~(1) Either:~~

~~(A) Includes an integrated basket strainer; or~~

~~(B) Does not include an integrated basket strainer but requires a basket strainer for operation, as stated in manufacturer literature provided with the pump; and~~

~~(2) May be distributed in commerce connected to, or packaged with, a sand filter, removable cartridge filter, or other filtration accessory, provided that the filtration accessory is connected with consumer removable connections that allow the filtration accessory to be bypassed.~~

“Pressure cleaner booster pump” means an end suction dry rotor pump designed and marketed for pressure-side pool cleaner applications.

~~“Pump Priming” means an operation that initiates water circulation by pulling water from the pool into the pool circulation system with a duration time less than or equal to 15.0 minutes.~~

“Pool pump switch” means a *clock operated* switch device that is designed, marketed, or sold to start or stop the operation of a pool filter pump.

“Pool timer” means a *clock operated* device that is designed, marketed, or sold to start or stop the operation of pool filter pumps or electric pool heaters.

The following documents are incorporated by reference in section 1691:

<u><i>Number</i></u>	<u><i>Title</i></u>
<u>FEDERAL STATUES AND REGULATIONS</u>	
<u>Code of Federal Regulations Title 10, Part 431, Subpart Z (2021)</u>	<u>Energy Efficiency Program for Certain Commercial and Industrial Equipment Subpart Z—Dedicated-Purpose Pool Pump Motors</u>
<u>Copies available from:</u>	<u>SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS</u>
	<u>U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE</u>
	<u>WASHINGTON, DC 20402</u>
	<u>www.ecfr.gov</u>

<u>INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION</u>	
<u>IEC 62106-9:2021</u>	<u>Radio Data System (RDS) - VHF/FM sound broadcasting in the frequency range from 64.0 MHz to 108.0 MHz - Part 9: RBDS - RDS variant used in North America</u>
<u>Copies available from:</u>	<u>IEC Regional Centre for North America</u>
	<u>446 Main Street, 16th Floor</u>
	<u>Worcester, MA 01608</u>
	<u>https://webstore.iec.ch/</u>

Note:

Authority cited: Sections 25213, 25218, 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 25216.5(d), 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Section 1692. General Requirements.

(a) **Testing.** If section 1693 of this Article requires that a specific appliance type be tested, then the manufacturer shall cause the testing of units of each basic model of appliance within the scope of this Article and comply with the applicable provisions of this section.

(1) The testing shall be at a laboratory that:

- (A) has conducted tests using the applicable test method within the previous 12 months;
- (B) agrees to and does interpret and apply the applicable test method set forth in section 1693 of this Article precisely as written;
- (C) has, and keeps properly calibrated and maintained, all equipment, material, and facilities necessary to apply the applicable test method precisely as written;
- (D) agrees to and does maintain copies of all test reports, and provides any such report to the Executive Director on request, for all basic models that are still in commercial production; and

(E) agrees to and does allow the Executive Director to witness any test of such an appliance on request, up to once per calendar year for each basic model.

(b) **Marking.** The following information shall be permanently, legibly, and conspicuously displayed on an accessible place on each unit of every appliance within the scope of this Article.

(1) manufacturer's name or brand name or trademark;

(2) model number; and

(3) date of manufacture, indicating (i) year and (ii) month or smaller (e.g., week) increment.

If the date is in a code, the manufacturer shall immediately, on request, provide the code to the Energy Commission.

(c) **Cybersecurity.** Where applicable, appliances subject to this Article shall meet or exceed the requirements of state laws relating to reliability and cybersecurity, and shall comply, at a minimum, with the following North American Electric Reliability Corporation's (NERC) Critical Infrastructure Protection standards:

(1) **Device Identification.** The manufacturer shall assign a unique logical identifier to the connected device.

(A) The device identification shall be in a logical location accessible to authorized entities.

(2) **Device Configuration.** The configuration of the connected device's software shall be changed by authorized entities only.

(A) The connected device shall include the capability to allow the authorized entities to restore the device's default settings.

(3) **Data Protection.** The connected device shall provide customer or consumer data protection for any and all collected personal information, consistent with state and federal law~~not display the credentials and personal data in plaintext on the user interface.~~

(A) The connected device shall not collect categories of personal information unrelated to or not necessary for the function of the device, nor shall the connected device transmit or use personal information collected for purposes other than for the function of the device.

(4) **Authentication Passwords.** The connected device shall contain a security feature that requires a user to generate a new means of authentication before access is granted to the device for the first time, and if a plain text-based

password is used it shall support the use of passwords meeting the ~~NERG~~ password strength requirements listed below:

- (A) ~~Each~~The device shall support passwords ~~shall be a minimum~~ of six characters or longer.
 - (B) ~~Each password shall~~The device shall support passwords that consist of a combination of alpha, numeric, and special characters.
- (5) **Software Update.** The manufacturer shall have an update policy that informs the customer or the consumer how the manufacturer will support software updates and informs the customer or the consumer that the device is capable of being updated whenever new vulnerabilities are discovered.
- (A) ~~On initial connection to the internet, the e~~Connected devices shall ~~attempt to receive update notice~~ provide the customer or the consumer with the ability to check for updates from the manufacturer's update service and ~~attempt~~ to download, verify, and apply any available patches.
 - (B) The manufacturer shall provide an estimated security expiration date or end of life policy that informs the customer or the consumer when the manufacturer will be discontinuing ~~the connected ready~~ device support.
- (6) **Restart Settings.** Upon device restart, the device shall automatically restore the most recently programmed settings, including reconnection to a network.
- (7) **Automatic Rejoin.** When physical or logical communication is lost, the connected device shall automatically attempt to rejoin the physical or logical communication.
- (8) **Override Function.** The connected device shall allow the customer or the consumer to change the event responses and event response settings at any time.
- (d) See section 1693 of this Article for additional requirements for specific appliances.

Note:

Authority cited: Sections 25213, 25218, 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 25216.5(d), 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Section 1693. Appliance Specific Standards and Requirements.

- (a) Every unit of every appliance within the scope of this Article shall comply with the applicable provisions of this section.
- (b) **Pool controls.**

(1) **Effective date.** The standards for pool controls shall be effective beginning on September 13, 2024 with respect to products manufactured on or after September 29, 2025. ~~Pool controls shall meet the flexible demand appliance standards, testing, marking, and cybersecurity requirements enumerated in this section no later than one year after they are adopted or updated. Pool controls shall meet the flexible demand appliance standards, testing, marking, and cybersecurity requirements enumerated in this section no later than one year after they are adopted or updated.~~

(2) **Flexible demand appliance standards.**

(A) **Communication Requirements.** ~~Pool controls shall be a connected device as defined in section 1691 of this Article:~~

1. Pool controls manufactured on or after September 13, 2024, and prior to December 31, 2026, shall be connected ready devices or connected devices, and may contain a radio broadcast data system receiver.

12. Pool controls manufactured on or after January 1, 2027, shall be connected devices and shall contain a radio broadcast data system receiver.

(B) **Clock Requirements.**

1. Pool controls shall have the following capabilities:

- a. in the event of a loss of power, the system settings, including operating schedules, and local clock, shall be retained for at least 72 hours; and
- b. ~~pool controls that are connected devices or contain radio broadcast data system receivers configured by or communicate with a separate device~~ shall have the ability to automatically and continuously synchronize their system clock to the local time specified by that device.

2. Pool controls shall provide local manual control of the pool filter pump start and stop operations, and the start and stop operations of any controlled electric pool heaters or pressure cleaner booster pumps that rely on the circulation provided by the pool filter pump for their operation. ~~support both local and remote setup, selection, and update of its operating schedule via a user interface. Local and remote setup, selection, and update shall be possible through a user interface.~~

a. The user interface for local setup shall be integrated into or supplied with the control, for installation at the same location or premises as the control.

3. Pool controls ~~that are connected devices~~ shall ~~also~~ support ~~remote~~ setup, selection, and update of its operating schedule via a user interface.
 - a. The user interface ~~for remote setup~~ may be located on a separate device able to communicate with the ~~pool control~~connected device via a wireless communications format, ~~and may include additional features beyond those provided by the user interface for local setup.~~

(C) Default Operating Schedule.

1. Pool controls shall be preprogrammed with a preconfigured or default operating schedule that shall:
 - a. start no earlier than 9 a.m. local time and finish no later than 3 p.m. local time for the following operations:
 - (i) any automatic operation of the pool filter pump at more than 50 percent of the maximum operating speed of the pool filter pump,
 - (ii) any operation of the pressure cleaner booster pump, and
 - (iii) any operation of the electric pool ~~water~~ heater; and
 - b. not automatically operate the pool filter pump, pressure cleaner booster pump, or electric pool ~~water~~ heater between 4 p.m. local time and 9 p.m. local time; ~~and~~
 - ~~c. automatically operate the pool filter pump at 50 percent of the maximum operating speed of the pool filter pump or less during all remaining hours and may perform pump priming at any time.~~
- ~~2. Pool controls may contain multiple preconfigured schedules that may be selected by the user. If so, the pool controls shall be preprogrammed with a preconfigured or default operating schedule that complies with the requirements of section 1693(b)(2)(C)(1) of this Article.~~

(3) **Testing.** There are no testing requirements for pool controls.

(4) **Marking.** The general marking requirements shown in section 1692(b) of this Article ~~must~~shall be met. There are no additional marking requirements specific to pool controls.

(5) **Cybersecurity.** The general cybersecurity standards in section 1692(c) of this Article ~~must~~shall be met. There are no additional cybersecurity standards specific to pool controls.

(6) Communication.

(aA) Manufacturers of pool controls sold or offered for sale in California and subject to the standards stated in Section 1693 shall comply with Section 1694(a).

(bB) ~~Connected devices~~ Pool controls shall communicate with entities outside the device using open standards for all communication layers for the customer and consumer consent functions listed in section 1694(b)-(d).

(c) ~~Devices that contain a radio broadcast data system receiver shall receive digital information from entities outside the device for the consumer consent functions listed in section 1694(e).~~

(C) Pool controls shall be capable of communicating their current operating status, at a minimum meaning whether the device is operating or not operating the pool filter pump, and their stored schedule.

(D) Pool controls that are capable of communicating additional information, including but not limited to real-time power draw, shall do so only to authorized entities and only with customer or consumer consent.

Note:

Authority cited: Sections 25213, 25218, 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 25216.5(d), 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Section 1694. Customer and Consumer Consent.

(a) Manufacturers of Appliances that are connected devices subject to this Article or of components that enable connectivity in connected ready devices subject to this Article shall provide mechanisms for obtaining ~~customer~~ consent that maximizes ~~customers'~~ use of the appliances' flexible demand capabilities. These mechanisms shall include, but need not be limited to, the following:

- (1) ~~the manufacturer shall provide~~ notifications with the ~~appliance device's~~ packaging materials that describe its ~~inform customers of the appliance's~~ flexible demand capabilities, including, where applicable, that the ~~appliance also has~~ device includes features that allow energy providers or other entities to control the ~~appliance device's~~ flexible demand capabilities with the customer's or consumer's consent.
- (2) ~~the manufacturer shall provide~~ information on the manufacturer's website of the device's flexible demand capabilities ~~of the appliance~~.
- (3) ~~the manufacturer shall provide~~ electronic consent functions, opt-in, or opt-out features, for the flexible demand capabilities ~~consistent with the appliance specific requirements~~ required by this Article.

- (4) ~~the manufacturer shall obtaining customer consent prior to the collection of customer or consumer data.~~
- (5) ~~the manufacturer shall providing information on the manufacturer's website to tell customers of describing the acceptable use policies of customer data collected by the device.~~

~~(b) Appliances that are connected devices and are subject to this Article shall be capable of receiving, acting upon, and responding to authorized remote requests via a communication link, that schedule, shift, or curtail appliance operations with customer or consumer consent, similar to consumer controllable functions on the appliance. At a minimum, the appliance shall be capable of acting upon and responding to authorized signals received via a communication link requesting:~~

- ~~(1) the start or stop of operation; and~~
- ~~(2) changes to equipment operation or schedule.~~

~~(c) Appliances that are connected devices and are subject to this Article shall be capable of providing the following information to customers or consumers and to authorized third parties via a communication link:~~

- ~~(1) operation status including, On, Off, and Standby, and~~
- ~~(2) program schedule including schedule times and scheduled operation.~~

~~(d) Appliances that are connected devices and are subject to this Article shall be capable of transmitting measured or estimated data representative of its real-time power draw to customers or consumers and to authorized third parties via a communication link.~~

- ~~(1) Real-time power draw shall be reported in watts.~~

~~(e) Appliances that include radio broadcast data system receivers and are subject to this Article shall be capable of receiving and acting upon authorized remote requests via a radio broadcast data system, similar to consumer controllable functions on the appliance. At a minimum, the appliance shall be capable of acting upon authorized signals received via a radio data system receiver requesting:~~

- ~~(1) the start or stop of operation; and~~
- ~~(2) changes to equipment operation or schedule.~~

Note:

Authority cited: Sections 25213, 25218, 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 25216.5(d), 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Section 1695. Certification Requirements.

(a) Filing of Statements.

- (1) Each manufacturer shall electronically file with the Executive Director through the Flexible Appliance Database (FAD) a statement for each appliance that is sold or offered for sale in California.
- (2) The manufacturer statement shall contain the following information:
 - (A) each statement shall be a single and complete line of data for a specific model and end-use, containing all the data required in section 1696 of this Article for that appliance type.
 - (B) Asterisks in Model Numbers. In filing any statement, the manufacturer may use asterisks as a substitute for letters, numbers, blanks, or other characters in the model number, provided that an asterisk:
 1. shall be used only for a part of the model number that does not indicate flexible demand appliance design or performance;
 2. shall represent a single letter, number, blank, or other character at the asterisk's location in the model number; and
 3. shall not be used for any of the first four letters, numbers, blanks, or other characters in the model number.
 - (C) the name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, and, if available, fax number and URL (web site) address of the manufacturer; provided, however, that if a parent entity is filing on behalf of a subsidiary entity, if a subsidiary entity is filing on behalf of a parent entity, or if an affiliate entity is filing on behalf of an affiliate entity, then each entity shall be clearly identified, and the information shall be provided for both entities.
 - (D) the name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, and, if available, fax number of the individual to contact concerning the statement pursuant to section 1695(a)(2)(H) of this Article.
 - (E) the name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, and, if available, fax number of the person signing the declaration pursuant to section 1695(a)(2)(H) of this Article.
 - (F) the name and address and, if available, telephone number, fax number, URL (web site) address, and e-mail address of the laboratory or other institution where the testing required by section 1692 of this Article was performed.
 - (G) the statement shall include testing and performance information required for that appliance as listed in section 1696 of this Article.

- (H) each statement shall include a declaration, executed under penalty of perjury of the laws of California, that:
1. all the information provided in the statement is true, complete, accurate, and in compliance with all applicable provisions of this Article;
 2. the requirements of section 1695(a)(2) of this Article have been and are being complied with;
 3. for appliances for which there is a flexible demand appliance standard in section 1693 of this Article, that the appliance complies with the applicable standards *in this Article*;
 4. the appliance was tested under the applicable test method specified in section 1693 of this Article. If section 1693 of this Article provides more than one test method that may be used, the manufacturer shall identify which method was used; and
 5. all units of the appliance are marked as required by section 1693 of this Article.
- (I) identifiers, when referenced in relation to section 1696 of this Article for data submittal requirements, means those fields shown in section 1696 of this Article for each specific appliance type that, when taken in combination for a specific model of a specific appliance type, represent the criteria for designating a model. At a minimum, each specific appliance type's model "identifiers" will include (a) manufacturer, (b) brand, and (c) model number. Individual appliance types may include additional fields as identifiers. All identifiers are represented in section 1696 of this Article by an asterisk ("*"). For purposes of compliance with section 1695(e)(1) of this Article, the identifiers represent fields that cannot be modified
- (3) Any electronic filing to the FAD constitutes a representation by the person making the filing that:
- (A) the person will electronically acknowledge receipt through the FAD of all electronic communications concerning the filing from the Executive Director through the FAD to the person;
 - (B) all electronic communications concerning the filing from the Executive Director through the FAD to the person shall be deemed received by the person upon notification to the Executive Director, by the computer from which the Executive Director communication has been sent, that the communication has been sent; and
 - (C) all electronic communications concerning the filing from the person to the Executive Director shall be deemed received by the Executive Director only upon actual receipt.

(b) Review of Statements by the Executive Director.

- (1) The Executive Director may determine whether a statement is complete, accurate, and in compliance with all applicable provisions of this Article, and whether the appliance for which the statement was submitted complies with all applicable standards in section 1693 of this Article.
- (2) In this subsection, “manufacturer” also includes a third-party certifier filing a statement under section 1695(f) of this Article.
- (3) Complete and Accurate Statement. If the Executive Director determines that the statement is complete and accurate and that the appliance complies with all applicable standards, the Executive Director shall:
 - (A) immediately include the appliance in the FAD; and
 - (B) inform the manufacturer's FAD-designated contact person or the third-party certifier's FAD-designated contact person electronically of the determination within 30 calendar days after receipt by the Executive Director.
- (4) Incomplete Statement. If the Executive Director determines that a statement is not complete, or that the statement does not contain enough information to determine whether it is accurate or whether the appliance complies with an applicable standard, the Executive Director shall:
 - (A) return the statement through the FAD to the manufacturer's FAD-designated contact person with an explanation of its defects and a request for any necessary additional information within 30 calendar days after receipt by the Executive Director.
 - (B) the manufacturer shall refile the statement through the FAD with all information requested by the Executive Director.
 - (C) the Executive Director shall review the refiled statement.
- (5) Statement is Inaccurate or Appliance Does Not Comply. If the Executive Director determines that the statement is inaccurate or that the appliance does not comply with an applicable standard, the Executive Director shall:
 - (A) reject the statement and return it through the FAD to the manufacturer's FAD-designated contact person with an explanation of its defects within 30 calendar days after receipt by the Executive Director, to the extent practicable.
 - (B) the manufacturer may submit a revised statement through the FAD for the appliance.

(c) Flexible Demand Database of Appliance Models.

- (1) The Executive Director shall maintain a database of appliance models complying with flexible demand standards known as the “Flexible Appliance Database” or “FAD” and consisting of two parts:
 - (A) “Approved FAD.” The Approved FAD shall contain information on all appliances that are currently in production, for which complete and accurate statements have been received and approved pursuant to this Article, and that have not been removed from the FAD pursuant to sections 1695(c)(2), 1695(d)-(e), or 1697 of this Article.
 - (B) “Archived FAD.” The Archived FAD shall contain, at least, information on all appliances that:
 1. are no longer in production, for which complete and accurate statements have been received pursuant to section 1695(a) of this Article; or
 2. have been removed from the Approved FAD pursuant to sections 1695(c)(2) or 1695(e)(2) of this Article.
- (2) Confirmation of FAD Listings. The Executive Director may, by electronically writing to the most recent electronic address filed pursuant to section 1695(a)(2)(D) of this Article and request each manufacturer of an appliance listed in the FAD to confirm the validity of the information in each of its FAD listings.
 - (A) If within 30 calendar days of the electronic mailing there is no such reply, the appliance may be removed from the Approved FAD and moved into the Archived FAD.
 - (B) If the lack of compliance with any requirements of this Article is strictly limited to non-compliance with standards adopted since the most recent filing by the manufacturer:
 1. all affected models may be moved from the Approved FAD to the Archived FAD. After the models have been moved, all affected manufacturers will be notified through the FAD or via email.
 2. the effective date for moving such affected models to the Archived FAD will be the effective date of the new standard.
- (3) Records Retention. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, FAD listings that have not been confirmed within ten (10) years of original submittal or subsequent confirmation shall be presumed to be for products no longer in production and shall be automatically removed from the Approved FAD and moved into the Archived FAD.

(d) Assessment of Completeness, Accuracy, and Compliance of Manufacturer Statements.

- (1) If the statement is incomplete or inaccurate, or if the Executive Director determines that the statement otherwise fails to comply with any of the requirements of this Article then the Executive Director may, no sooner than ten working days after providing electronic notice to the person designated in section 1695(a)(2)(D) of this Article, remove the appliance from the FAD.

(e) Modified and Discontinued Appliances.

(1) Modified Appliances.

- (A) If any of the appliance characteristics listed in FAD do not match the characteristics of the appliance being sold or offered for sale, rented, imported, distributed or leased for use in California the manufacturer shall file a new statement for the appliance, including all the characteristics needing update.
- (B) Upon receipt of such a statement, the Executive Director shall review the statement under section 1695(b) of this Article. If the statement is complete, accurate, and in compliance with all applicable standards, the Executive Director shall modify the FAD.

(2) Discontinued Appliances.

- (A) After any appliance has ceased being sold or offered for sale, rented, imported, distributed, or leased for use in California, the manufacturer shall file a statement only containing the identifiers shown section 1696 of this Article for the appliance.
- (B) Upon receipt of such a statement, the Executive Director shall review the statement under section 1695(b) of this Article. If the statement is complete, accurate, and in compliance with all applicable provisions of this Article, the Executive Director shall move the appliance from the Approved FAD to the Archived FAD.

(f) Filing by Third-Party Certifier.

- (1) A third party may file a statement on behalf of a manufacturer as required in section 1695(a) of this Article.
- (2) Whether a manufacturer files information required by this section by itself or via a third-party certifier, the manufacturer remains responsible for the truth, accuracy, completeness, and timeliness of all required filings.
- (3) Upon a finding of noncompliance with an applicable provision of this Article, the Executive Director may suspend a third-party certifier from making filings,

allow continued filings under specific conditions, or remove affected appliances from the FAD.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 25213, 25218, 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 25216.5(d), 25402(f), 25402.11, 25534.2 Public Resources Code.

Section 1696. Data Submittal Requirements.

The data submittal requirements shown in this section are required pursuant to section 1695 of this Article.

(a) All appliances.

- (1) The data submittal requirements shown in Table A-1 are required for all appliances subject to this Article.

Table A-1: Data Submittal Requirements for All Appliances

Required Information	Permissible <u>Possible</u> Answers
*Manufacturer's Name	
*Brand Name	
*Model Number	
Manufacture date	
Is a connected device <u>or connected ready device</u>	<u>Connected Device,</u> <u>Connected Ready</u> <u>Device, NeitherBoth,</u> True, false
<u>Is a radio broadcast data system capable device</u>	<u>True, false</u>

*Identifier information as described in section 1695(a)(2)(I) of this Article.

- (2) The data submittal requirements shown in Table A-2 are required for any appliance that is a connected device, as defined in section 1691 of this Article.

Table A-2: Data Submittal Requirements for All Connected Devices

Required Information	<i>Permissible</i> <i>Possible</i> Answers
<i>Unit connects using open standards</i> Unit complies with listed smart grid open standards	<i>True, false</i>
<i>Unit communicates using open standards</i>	<i>True, false</i>
Unit has a unique logical identification <u><i>accessible to authorized entities</i></u>	True, false
Only authorized <i>users</i> <u><i>entities</i></u> are allowed to change the software configuration	True, false
<i>Unit has data protection for personal information</i> Unit supports NERC password strength and has a unique password from the factory	True, false
<i>Unit requires a user to generate a new means of authentication before access is granted to the device for the first time</i> <u><i>Unit does not display credentials in plaintext on the user interface</i></u>	True, false
<i>Device supports plain text passwords</i>	<i>True, false</i>
<i>Plain text passwords, if supported, can be six characters or longer</i>	<i>True, false, not applicable</i>
<i>Plain text passwords, if supported, can include a combination of alpha, numeric, and special characters</i>	<i>True, false, not applicable</i>
<i>Unit does not display personal data in plaintext on the user interface</i>	<i>True, false</i>
<i>Software updates through remote means such as an internet download</i> <u><i>Unit allows authorized entities to check for software updates from the manufacturer, and to receive and apply available updates</i></u>	True, false
<i>Manufacturer has security update policy</i>	<i>True, false</i>
Manufacturer <i>gives</i> <u><i>provides security update policy and</i></u> end of security support date	True, false
<i>On initial setup the unit attempts to execute software updates</i>	<i>True, false</i>
At restart, unit automatically restores recently saved settings	True, false

At restart, unit automatically restores recently saved network connection	True, false
Unit automatically attempts to reconnect after loss of connection	True, false
Unit allows the local users to override the schedule and/or delay timer	True, false
The unit allows authorized users <u>entities</u> to change its settings at any time	True, false
Unit allows the user to restore the factory default settings	True, false

(b) **Pool controls.**

The data submittal requirements shown in Table B-1 are required for pool controls.

Table B-1: Data Submittal Requirements for Pool Controls

Required Information	<i>PermissiblePossible</i> Answers
<u>Unit communicates using open standards</u>	<u>True, false</u>
Local and remote control possible through a user interface provides for start and stop of pool filter pump and dependent booster pumps and heaters	True, false
Remote control possible through a user interface <u>Integrated or separate user interface is provided for setup, selection, and update of the operating schedule</u>	<u>True, false</u>
Unit retains memory for at least 72 hours without external power	True, false
System clock has ability to sync with local time automatically	True, false
The pool control is preprogrammed with a default operating schedule setting	True, false
Default operation of pool filter pump at <u>≥50%</u> 50+% of max rpm starting at no earlier than 9 a.m. and ending by 3 p.m. local time	True, false
Default operation of pressure cleaner booster pump starting at no earlier than 9 a.m. and ending by 3 p.m. local time	True, false
Default operation of electric pool water heater starting at no earlier than 9 a.m. and ending by 3 p.m. local time	True, false
No default operation between 4 p.m. and 9 p.m. local time	True, false
<u>Unit is marked with its manufacturer's name, its brand name, or its trademark; its model number; and its date of manufacture</u>	<u>True, false</u>

Note:

Authority cited: Sections 25213, 25218, 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 25216.5(d), 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code.

Section 1697. Compliance, Enforcement, and Administrative Civil Penalties.

(a) Compliance and Enforcement.

- (1) Any unit of any appliance subject to this Article may be sold or offered for sale, rented, imported, distributed or leased for use in California regardless of the physical location of the seller and includes, without limitation, transactions conducted over telephone or the internet, only if it complies with the requirements of this Article, including, but not limited to the following:
 - (A) the appliance appears in the most recent active FAD established pursuant to section 1695(c) of this Article;
 - (B) the manufacturer has:
 1. tested the appliance as required by section 1693 of this Article;
 2. marked the unit as required by section 1693 of this Article;
 3. for any appliance for which there is an applicable standard in section 1693 of this Article, certified under section 1695(a) of this Article that the appliance complies with the standard;
 - (C) the unit has the same components, design characteristics, and all other features that affect flexibility, as applicable, as the units that were tested under section 1693 of this Article or for which information was submitted under section 1695(a) of this Article; and
 - (D) for any appliance for which there is an applicable standard in section 1693 of this Article, the unit complies with the standard.
- (2) The Executive Director and Energy Commission may take any action authorized by statute or Energy Commission regulations to address or prevent any violation of this Article.
- (3) **All Appliances: Submittal of Reports of Manufacturers' Certification Testing.**
 - (A) For any appliance, the Executive Director may at any time request from a manufacturer a copy of the test report that describes the results of the testing that was performed pursuant to section 1692 of this Article and that

provides the basis for the information submitted under section 1695(a) of this Article.

- (B) The request shall be sent to the e-mail address designated in section 1695(a)(2)(D) of this Article.
- (C) If the Executive Director includes with the request information that, in their opinion, constitutes evidence that the appliance or the manufacturer:
 - 1. is not in compliance with an applicable provision of this Article, or
 - 2. that the flexibility of the appliance is not as certified under section 1695(a) of this Article, or
 - 3. is not as required by an applicable standard in section 1693 of this Article, then
 - 4. the manufacturer shall provide a copy of the applicable test report to the Executive Director within 5 working days of the manufacturer's receipt of the request.
- (D) If the Executive Director does not receive the test report within the required time, the Executive Director may remove the appliance from the FAD.
- (E) If the test report indicates that the appliance model does not comply with an applicable standard in section 1693 of this Article, the Executive Director shall, ten working days after providing electronic notice via e-mail or directly through the FAD to the person designated in section 1695(a)(2)(D) of this Article, remove the model from the FAD.

(4) Inspection by the Executive Director of Appliances Subject to Flexible Demand Appliance Standards, Certification, Marking, and Other Requirements of this Article.

- (A) The Executive Director may periodically inspect appliances sold or offered for sale, rented, imported, distributed or leased for use in California, to determine whether they conform with the applicable flexible demand appliance standards, certification, marking, and other requirements of this Article.
- (B) Inspection of an appliance may consist of inspection of one or more units.
 - 1. If the inspection indicates that the unit or units comply with the applicable requirements, the matter may be closed.
 - 2. If the inspection indicates that the unit or units do not comply with an applicable requirement, the Executive Director and Energy Commission may take any actions that are authorized by statute or

Energy Commission regulations to address or prevent any violation of this Article, including removing the appliance from the FAD.

(b) Administrative Civil Penalties.

(1) No person, including a manufacturer, retailer, contractor, importer, distributor, or lessor, may sell, rent, import, distribute, lease, or offer for sale, rent, import, distribution, or lease for use in California, regardless of the physical location of the seller or whether the transaction takes place over telephone or the internet, a new appliance subject to this Article unless it meets the requirements of this Article. No person shall violate the cybersecurity requirements of this Article. Violations of this Article are subject to an administrative civil penalty not to exceed two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) for each violation each unit of the appliance is involved in.

(2) Notices of Violation.

The Executive Director, ~~or their designee,~~ may send a written Notice of Violation by certified mail (registered mail to non-U.S. destinations) or other means that provide actual notice to the person in violation of this Article. The Notice of Violation shall contain the following information:

- (A) the name and address of the person responsible for the violation;
- (B) a statement indicating the statute, regulation, order, or decision upon which the Notice of Violation is based, including any provisions relating to the assessment of administrative civil penalties;
- (C) a statement of facts upon which the Notice of Violation is based, including a description of the appliances or units of appliances at issue and a reference to model numbers.

(3) Settlement.

(A) Consistent with California Government Code Section 11415.60, the Energy Commission, or upon delegation, the Executive Director, may at any time issue a decision by settlement with a responsible person. The settlement agreement may include appropriate sanctions and remedies to address violations and promote compliance.

(4) Administrative Proceedings.

(A) No earlier than 30 calendar days after issuing a Notice of Violation, the Executive Director may initiate an adjudicative proceeding to impose administrative civil penalties if the Executive Director determines that the responsible person has not made sufficient progress in addressing the violations identified in the Notice of Violation.

- (B) The proceeding shall be initiated by filing and serving a complaint as specified in California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1233.1. The complaint shall include an assessment of penalties based on the factors set forth in Public Resources Code section 25402.11 and may include other information from the Notice of Violation.
- (C) The proceeding shall be conducted in a manner consistent with California Code of Regulations title 20, section 1233.1.
- (D) The proceeding shall be heard directly by the Energy Commission as set forth in Public Resources Code sections 25210 and 25211.
- (E) After the hearing referenced in this Article, the Energy Commission shall issue or adopt a decision on whether a violation of this Article has been committed, and assess penalties based on application of the factors set forth in section 25402.11 of the Public Resources Code.

(5) Other Enforcement Procedures.

The Executive Director, ~~their designee~~ and the Energy Commission may take any actions that are authorized by statute or Energy Commission regulations to address or prevent any violation of this Article.

(6) Judicial Review.

An order of the Energy Commission imposing an administrative civil penalty shall be subject to judicial review pursuant to Public Resources Code Sections 25534.2(a) and 25534.2(b).

Note: Authority cited: Sections 25213, 25218, 25402(f) and 25402.11, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 25216.5(d), 25402(f), 25402.11, 25534.2 Public Resources Code. Sections 11415.60, 11505 and 11517, Government Code.