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# Portable Electric Spas

**CEC Staff Workshop** 

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### **IOU Involvement in Spa Energy Efficiency**

- 2004- IOUs propose CASE study for portable electric spas
- 2006- Performance standard for standby power takes effect
- 2008- Cal Poly study of portable electric spas verifies savings
- 2012 Current rulemaking begins, CEC asks for labeling proposal

### **IOU Involvement in Current Rulemaking**

- July 29, 2013- IOUs submit labeling proposal to CEC
- January 2015 CEC Public Meeting, asks for standards proposal in addition to labeling
- April/ May 2014- IOUs engage with APSP-14 to negotiate label and updated standards level
- May 15, 2014- IOUs submits a CASE report to CEC reflecting industry consensus
- September 12, 2014- APSP-14 creates their new standard "ANSI/APSP/ICC-14 2014" reflecting IOU/ industry consensus
- February 18, 2016- IOUs participated in CEC Staff workshop and submitted comments
- July 13, 2016- IOUs participated in CEC Staff workshop and submitted comments
- August 3, 2017- IOUs participated in CEC Staff workshop and submitted comments

#### **IOUs Support CEC Staff Proposal**

IOUs support the CEC staff proposal and believe the proposed standards are <u>cost-effective</u>, <u>achievable</u> and will lead to <u>significant savings statewide</u>. (~242 GWh after stock turnover)

IOUs support the June 1, 2019 effective date.

The CEC Staff proposal makes numerous important changes to the current Title 20 standards including:

- Clarification of the scope/ definition of portable electric spas
- 2. An updated portable electric spa standby standard, and new standard for inflatable spas
- 3. Requiring a labels on all portable electric spas
- 4. Modifies and adds new reporting requirements

# Definition & Scope of a Portable Electric Spa

IOUs support CEC's modified definitions and new scope clarification to ensure coverage of standard, exercise, combination and inflatable spas.

**Broad Definition** Portable Electric Spas Exercise Combination Inflatable Standard New Definitions Spas Spas Spas Spas Standard **Exercise Spa** New Definitions Spa Portion **Portion** 

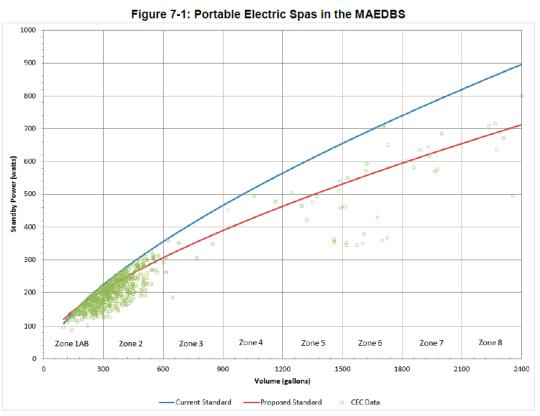
Figure 6-1: Scope Clarification Chart

Source: Energy Commission staff

# **Strengthening Standby Standards**

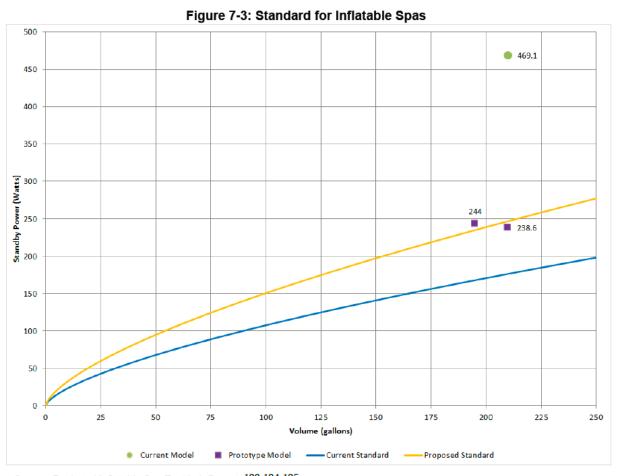
IOUs support CEC's adoption of the APSP-14-2014 maximum allowable standby standard, with modifications for exercise/combination spas.

More than 75% of models in the CEC database will meet the proposed standard



# New Inflatable Spa Standard Level

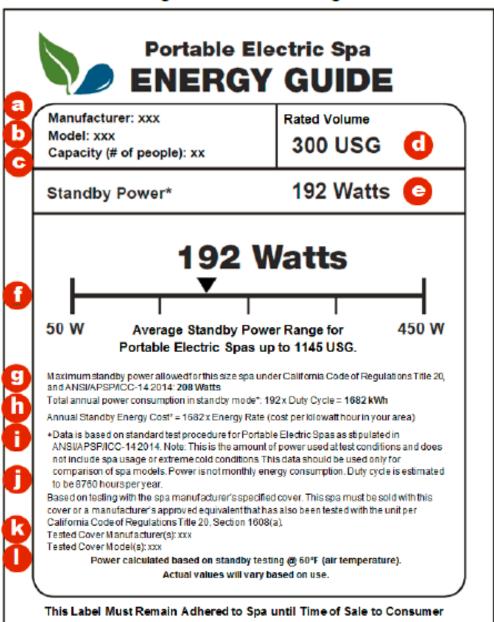
IOUs understand the utility provided by inflatable spas and commend CEC and manufacturers for working to find an achievable level.



#### Label

CEC staff proposed to adopt APSP/ IOU consensus label.

IOUs broadly support this label design and concept as it will provide valuable information to consumers.



Source: Modified from Figure 7.2 in ANSI/APSP/ICC-14 2014

# Label: Suggestions for Improvement

Consider spelling out "USG" to US Gallons

Rated Volume
300 USG

Remove references to plural (s) spa covers

Tested Cover Manufacturer(s): xxx

Tested Cover Model(s): xxx

Power calculated based on standby testing @ 60°F (air temperature).

Actual values will vary based on use.

For standard, exercise, and combination spas, require label on the shell, 6 inches from top, not on the "skirt"



Require label on the box for inflatable spas



#### **Reporting Requirements**

IOUs commend CEC on adding new definitions and reporting requirements such as "fill volume" and "rated volume"

Suggest consider adding minimum and maximum water temperature settings to Table X, as they are already proposed to be collected in the test report.