Performance Standards – Parameters

Possible Key Performance parameters Concept of a Tiered Approach

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PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS

There are numerous parameters which relate to different aspects of LED lighting products.

These can be broadly categorised into:

- electrical safety
- photobiological safety
- power quality
- Photometric
- light quality

Most of the parameters within each are covered well for existing lamp technologies but LED lighting products present some imminent challenges.

Performance Parameters

Electrical Safety

Power Quality

- Power factor
- Harmonic distortion
- Electrical interference

Photometrics

- Total light output
- Efficacy
- Light distribution
- Beam angle
- Lifetime
- Light depreciation

Photobiological safety

- UV
- Blue light
- Radiance levels

Light Quality

- Start time
- Colour temp (colour of light)
- Colour consistency (between products)
- Colour rendering (colour of illuminated objects)
- Colour uniformity (spatially)
- Colour stability (with time)
- Dimming
- Flicker

Basic Consumer Expectations

- Truth in claim
 - An equal replacement to particular incandescent/halogen product
 - Efficacy
 - Lifetime
 - Colour temp
- Similar or better performance qualities as replaced lamp
 - Colour consistency
 - Colour rendering
 - Light distribution
 - Dimming
 - Start time
 - Efficacy
 - Sustained light output
- Assumed to be covered under generic consumer protection
 - Electrical safety
 - Photobiological safety
 - Power quality

Key Performance Parameters to be considered

Electrical Safety		Photobiological safety		
Power Quality				
		Light Quality		
		Start time		
Photometrics		 Colour temp & Consistency 		
 Total light output & Efficacy 		Colour rendering		
 Light distribution & Beam angle 				
Lifetime & Light depreciation		Dimming & Flicker		

DO WE NEED STANDARDS ?

Results from testing products from the market



LIGHT OUTPUT

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Equivalence Claims – Light Output

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COLOUR TEMPERATURE

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CLAIMS

BEAM ANGLE





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CLAIMS

LIFETIME

Claimed Lifetime of LED Products

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- Within lamp cap types, *claimed* life times vary significantly.
- Little similarity between cap groups in quoted life time bands



	Lamp Cap	E26/E27	GU10	GU5.3	Fixture
	Lifetime (hrs)	No of Lamps	No of Lamps	No of Lamps	No of Lamps
imed	12 000		1		
	15 000	1	2		
	20 000	3		1	
	25 000		5		
	35 000		1	4	
	40 000	1			
	45 000			1	
	50 000	3	3	2	2
	100 000				1

CLAIMS

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Variance between Rated Efficacy to Tested Efficacy of LED lamps. Equivalent incandescent luminous flux ranges shown.



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Performance of LED lamp technologies purchased from UK, USA, and AUS



WHAT LEVELS SHOULD BE SET FOR PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS ???

Product benchmarking

Directional LED replacement lamps





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Is there a case for a multilevel performance approach?

- Economic situations of different countries and the affordability of a LED products by consumers
- Governments wanting:
 - -a Minimum Energy Performance level (MEPS), and
 - a Higher Energy Performance label (HEPS)

Investigate this idea for efficacy





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IT'S TIME TO HARMONISE !

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