



TESCO METERING

NIST HANDBOOK 44: EVSE ACCURACY & COMPLIANCE IN 2025 AND BEYOND

TESCO EVSE ACCURACY TESTING

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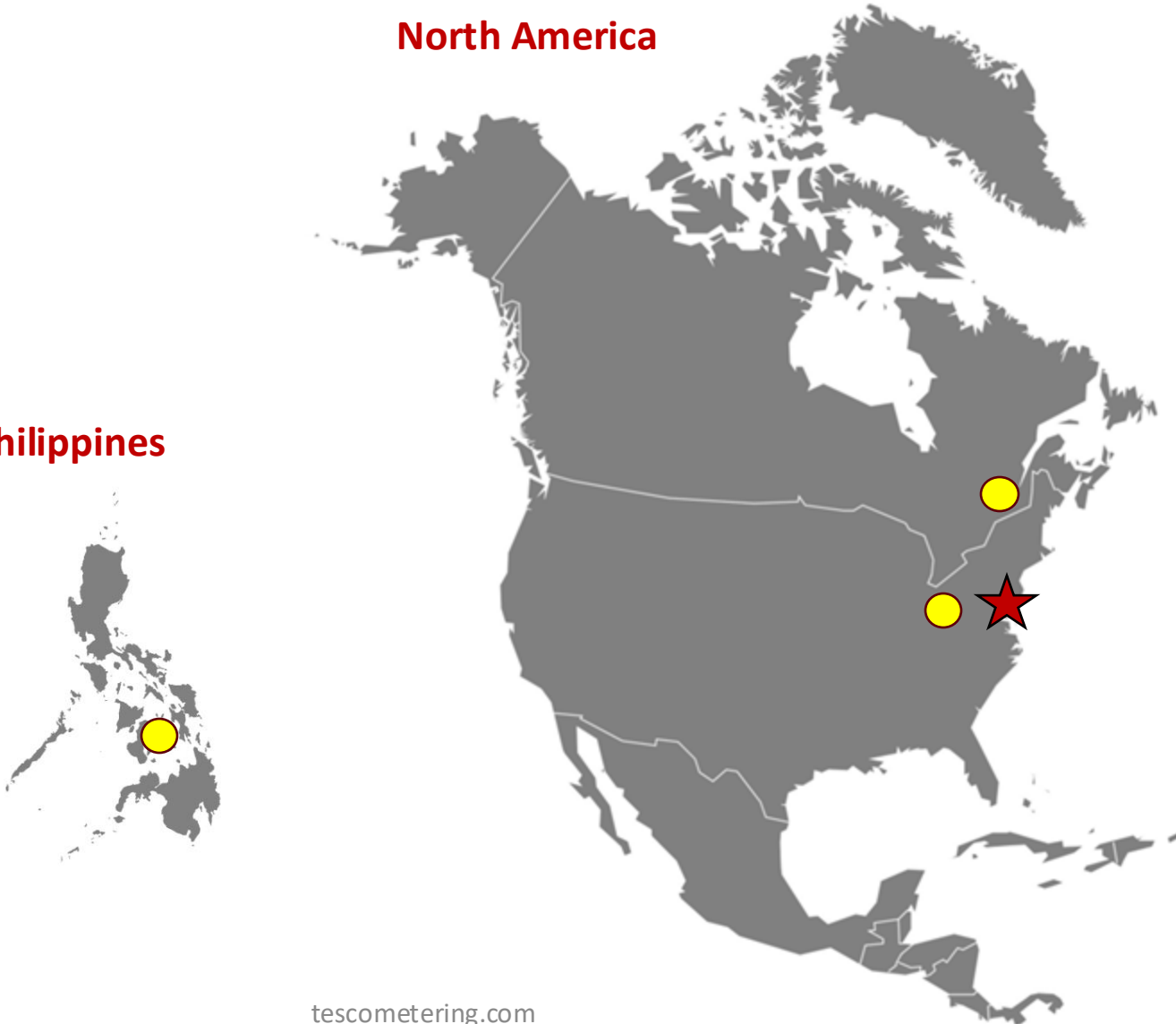
- Who is TESCO
- Current Regulatory Landscape
- EVSE Testing & Test Equipment
- Collaboration & Industry Innovation

- Founded in 1904 by a Metering Engineer at the Philadelphia Electric Company (PECO)
- Designed the First Test Switch to promote safer field operations
- Designed the first load boxes and transformer burden test equipment
- Became the industry standard for electric meter testing and is still a leading authority today



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- TESCO: Metering since 1904; energy measurement is what we do and AC electrical metrology is a well practiced and researched field
- ~10 years ago we saw that Electric Vehicle (EV) chargers, since they would be selling energy, would need to be calibrated and tested similar to revenue grade utility meters
- 2015: TESCO's first patents for AC/DC calibration of Electric Vehicle Service Equipment (EVSE)
- This field is still nascent and developing!
Compared to Utility Metering, this is new and has new rules...



- Developed AC calibration capability first
 - Familiarity with AC measurement in shop and field test units for utility space was helpful here
- DC was not so easy....
 - First electric meter standards developed in 1910... a few years *after* DC meters were obsolete
 - There was never a recognized standard for DC metering
 - TESCO worked to develop the methodology and process for DC metrology
 - Created equipment, took data, reviewed data, adjusted equipment, more data...
 - ***Fast-forward several years.. TESCO's lab received expansion of scope for ISO 17025:2017 accreditation to include DC Energy Measurement***



Evolving Regulatory Landscape

US EVSE Testing Guidance

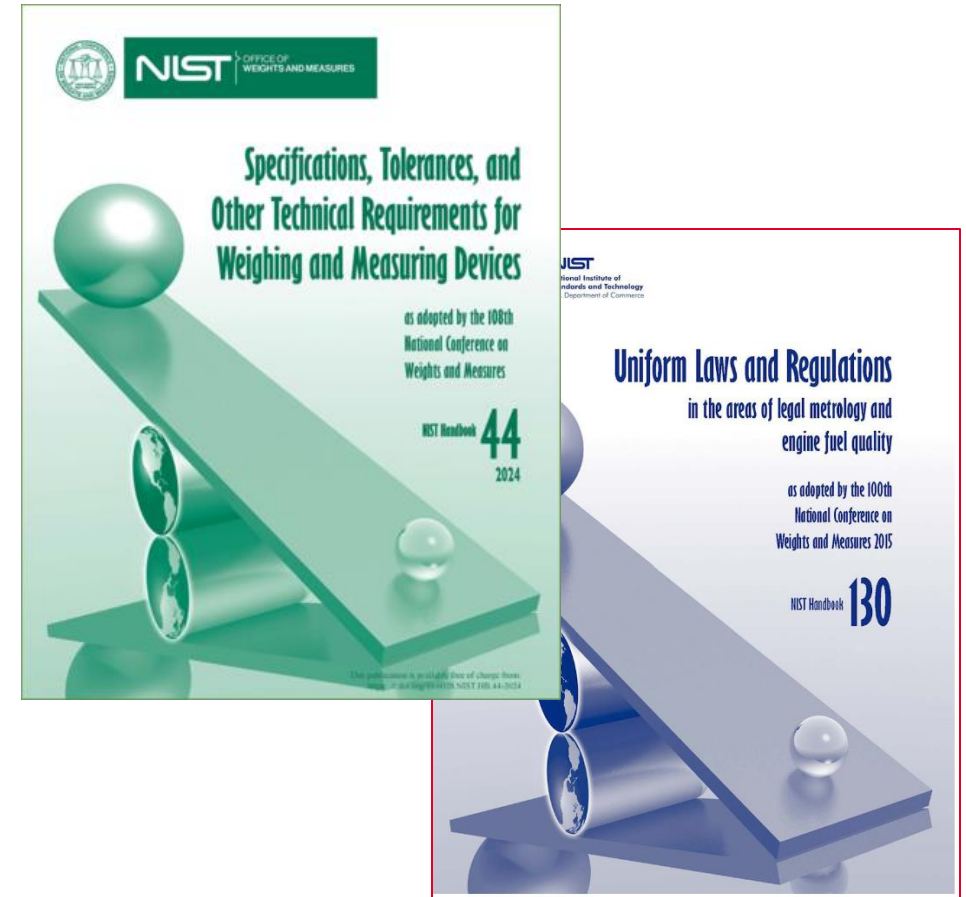
- HB 44 Section 3.40: EVSE accuracy testing
- NIST HB 130 EPO 30: National examination procedures- Retail Electric Vehicle Fueling Systems

Challenges:

- Understanding evolving regulations
- Aligning state and federal standards

Acceptance vs Maintenance Testing:

- Acceptance Testing- 1% tolerance
- Maintenance Testing- 2% tolerance



S.8. Minimum Measured Quantity (MMQ). The minimum measured quantity shall satisfy the conditions of use of the measuring system as follows:

- (a) Measuring systems shall have a minimum measured quantity not exceeding:
 - (1) 0.5 kWh for AC EVSE

Note: To minimize the duration of required testing, manufacturers may want to consider limiting the declared MMQ to the level of 0.1 kWh for AC EVSE.

(Note Added 2023)

(Amended 2023)

N.3.1. Testing of an AC EVSE. Accuracy tests shall be performed at the following current levels:

- (a) A point between 4 A and 10 A;
- (b) A point between 40 % and 60 % of the [Maximum Deliverable Amperes] MDA; and
- (c) A point between 70 % and 100 % of the MDA.

ISSUE SOLVED

With the growing demand for electric vehicles (EV), there needs to be a simple and accurate method to test EV charging systems.

Test the accuracy of AC and DC voltages and currents with **TESCO's Electric Vehicle Service Equipment (EVSE) Test System TS400**. The **TS400** is a valuable instrument with complete testing capabilities and caters to every possible EVSE charging protocol in the world (AC and DC).

PL 4000 Capabilities:

- 29A @ 120V Charger
- 50A @ 208V Charger
- 58A @ 240V Charger



TS400 Test System includes the T4000 EVSE Tester and PL4000 Load Emulator to test all AC/DC charging standards.

TS400 TEST LIMITS

Simulation

- Tesla
- CHAdeMO
- CCS1
- Additional standards available upon request.
- Easy to use – select a site and press “test”
- Extremely fast, full accuracy is achieved in less than five seconds at any power level
- Field ready, and easily transportable
- Performs all accuracy and safety tests automatically without need for operator intervention.
- All information for sites, equipment, test procedures and test results are stored in internal database.
- Compatible with all current EV charging protocols.
- Software for exporting data and creating reports.

CAT. TS400

ELECTRIC VEHICLE SERVICE EQUIPMENT (EVSE) TEST SYSTEM



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TS400 OVERVIEW: HARDWARE

T4000 SPECIFICATIONS

AC:
240V * 80A -> ~19.2kW
208V * 80A -> ~16.6kW

DC:
1000V * 200A -> ~200kW

Note: The charger is the limit. The T4000 can go to 650V AC, but CCS1_AC is limited to 240V maximum

OPERATING
TEMPERATURE: -20°C to 50°C (-4°F to 122°F)
STORAGE
TEMPERATURE: -22°C to 60°C (-22°F to 140°F)
DIMENSIONS: 21.2" x 16" x 10.6" (53.8 x 40.6 x 26.9 cm)



PL4000 SPECIFICATIONS

AC:
240V * 58A -> ~14kW
208V * 50A -> ~10.4kW

DC:
240V * 58A -> ~14kW
500V * 28A -> ~14kW

Note: The PL4000 is the limit. CCS1_AC can go to 80A, but the PL is limited to 58A

OPERATING
TEMPERATURE: -20°C to 50°C (-4°F to 122°F)
STORAGE
TEMPERATURE: -22°C to 60°C (-22°F to 140°F)
DIMENSIONS: 16.9" x 16.3" x 26" (42.9 x 41.4 x 66 cm)
WEIGHT: Approx. 46 lbs.



Ask about **TESCO's Cat. 1060 UtiliCart®** to easily transport and hold your equipment in the field.

Charging Station not included.

T4000 FEATURES

- DISPLAY** 7", 1024 x 600, high brightness, daylight readable LCD
- ETHERNET** 100 BaseT with support for: Web Services, Remote Control, Database Access
- USB** 2X USB Type A with support for: Device, External Memory Storage, WiFi, Keyboard, Mouse;
1X USB Type B connection to computer
- GPS** Integrated GPS system provides location information for automatic determination of test site and data base access
- GFCI** Provision is provided to test the GFCI functionality of the EVSE (0-200ma)
- BATTERY** 99.6WHr Li-ion removable battery
- PL INTERFACE** Provides communications and power to any Programmable Load (PL Series)
- PC SIGNAL** Frequency +/- 1Hz, Duty Cycle +/-0.5%, Wave form amplitude +/- 0.3%
- CASE** Watertight, crushproof, and dustproof Pelican™ Storm Case™

CAT. TS400

ELECTRIC VEHICLE SERVICE EQUIPMENT (EVSE) TEST SYSTEM

S.8. Minimum Measured Quantity (MMQ). The minimum measured quantity shall satisfy the conditions of use of the measuring system as follows:

- (a) Measuring systems shall have a minimum measured quantity not exceeding:
- (2) 1.0 kWh for DC EVSE.

N.3.3. Performance Verification in the Field of a DC EVSE. Accuracy tests shall be performed at any voltage and the following current levels:

- (a) A point between 10 % and 20 % of the MDA, but not less than 30 A; and
- (b) A point between 25 % and 100 % of the MDA, with the recommendation to test at the maximum power level within that range that is possible using the test load and test standard available.

Note: The test points (a) and (b) above must not be at the same current level. It is recommended that the current levels should be separated to the extent that the test load and test standard will allow.

For DC systems it is anticipated that an electric vehicle may be used as the test load. Under that circumstance, testing at the load presented by the vehicle shall be sufficient for field verification provided that it is greater than 40 % of the MDA and no less than 30 A.

*All DC EVSE placed into service prior to January 1, 2025 are exempt from this requirement until January 1, 2028. **New DC EV chargers installed on or after January 1, 2025 are not exempt***
(Amended 2022 and 2024).

- T4350 – what's in a name?
 - “T”: Tester
 - “4”: 4th generation
 - “350”: rated for 350A continuous load
- What's changed?
 - The T4350 is capable of higher power testing and supports the full spectrum of charger types across AC/DC

Load Characteristics	T4000	T4350
Continuous Load	200A	350A
Max Load	400A	650A

T4350
EVSE TEST SYSTEM



- PL4150 – what’s in a name?
 - “PL”: Programmable Load
 - “4”: 4th generation
 - 150: 150 kW Capable
- PL4150 is an AC/DC, 150kW capable dissipative load-box
- What’s Changed?
 - The PL4000 was only capable of ~14kW and thus was only relevant for AC Load dissipation in a regulatory capacity; the PL4150 can handle up 150 kW @ 100% FL



		Test Currents (Amps) at Various Charging Levels at 400VDC									
	Max Current (A)	75	125	187.5	250	375	500	625	750	875	1000
Test Percentage	Max Power (kW)	30	50	75	100	150	200	250	300	350	400
Low Point											
10%		7.5	12.5	18.75	25	37.5	50	62.5	75	87.5	100
20%		15	25	37.5	50	75	100	125	150	175	200
Middle Point											
40%		30	50	75	100	150	200	250	300	350	400
60%		45	75	112.5	150	225	300	375	450	525	600
High Point											
70%		52.5	87.5	131.3	175	262.5	350	437.5	525	612.5	700
100%		75	125	187.5	250	375	500	625	750	875	1000
	< 30A	Testable with a 150kW load.					requires 300 kW load				

- **8.1.4. Light Load Test.**

- (1) Connect the EVFS to the test set.
- (2) Verify proper levels on the proximity pilot (PP) and Control Pilot (CP) lines.

Proximity Pilot (PP)- Tells the EVSE (charger) what current capacity the charging cable can handle and detects when the plug is physically inserted.

Control Pilot (CP)- Enables communication between the EV and EVSE to control charging start/stop, current limit, and fault detection.

- (3) Based on the CP signal, determine the MDA from the EVFS.
- (4) For AC EVFSs set the test set load to a value at a point between 4 A and 10 A.

For DC EVFSs set the test load to a point between 10 % and 20 % of the MDA, but not less than 30 A. All DC EVFSs placed into service prior to January 1, 2025 are exempt from the tests as specified in N.3.3. Performance Verification in the Field of a DC EVSE (3.40) until January 1, 2028. Requirements and provisions from the General Code and other device codes apply when equipment does not fall clearly in an established separate code.

- (5) Start energy measurement on the test set.
- (6) Start a charging transaction on the EVFS.
- (7) Cycle the CP from state A to state B to state C.
- (8) Continue the measurement for an accumulated energy of not less than the MMQ as declared by the manufacturer.

- **8.1.4. Light Load Test (cont.)**

(9) Cycle the CP from state C to state B to state A.

(10) Verify that the transaction on the EVFS has completed.

(11) Record the energy delivered as displayed on the EVFS.

(12) Record the price per kWh.

(13) Record the total price of the transaction.

(14) Record the energy delivered as displayed on the test set.

(15) *Verify Accuracy of Indications and Recorded Representations.* Verify the resulting energy indications and recorded representations are within applicable tolerances and meet requirements for agreement of indications.

Code Reference: 1.10: G-S.5.2.2., 3.40: S.2.4.4.

(16) Calculate the energy measurement error as follows:

(17) Based on the unit price(s) [fixed or variable] per kWh, calculate and record the itemized and total computed price for the transaction.

(18) Calculate the total sales price as follows:

$$\% \text{ Energy Error} = \left(\frac{\text{Test Standard Indicated Energy} - \text{EVSE Indicated Energy}}{\text{Test Standard Indicated Energy}} \right) \times 100$$

(Quantity of Energy)(Energy Unit Price (\$kWh/))=Sales Price ±12 cent/



Role of EVSE Test Equipment

Section 3.40. Electric Vehicle Fueling Systems

Section 3.40. Electric Vehicle-Fueling Systems was added as a “tentative code” in 2015. In July 2022, the status of the code was changed from “tentative” to “permanent” effective January 1, 2023.

(Amended 2022)

A. Application

A.1. General. – This code applies to devices, accessories, and systems used for the measurement of electricity dispensed in vehicle fuel applications wherein a quantity determination or statement of measure is used wholly or partially as a basis for sale or upon which a charge for service is based.

A.2. Exceptions. – This code does not apply to:

- The use of any measure or measuring device **owned, maintained, and used** by a public utility or municipality only in connection with measuring electricity subject to the authority having jurisdiction such as the Public Utilities Commission.
- Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSEs) used solely for dispensing electrical energy in connection with operations in which the amount dispensed does not affect customer charges or compensation.
- The wholesale delivery of electricity.

PUBLIC UTILITY EXEMPTION EXAMPLE

- Solely Owned, Maintained, & Used by GMP



Source: Vermont Department of Agriculture

- Owned, maintained by GMP, Used & Available to the Public



NEMA Update: ANSI Committee to be formed to provide guidance on EVSE Testing by utilities

Why Compliance Matters:

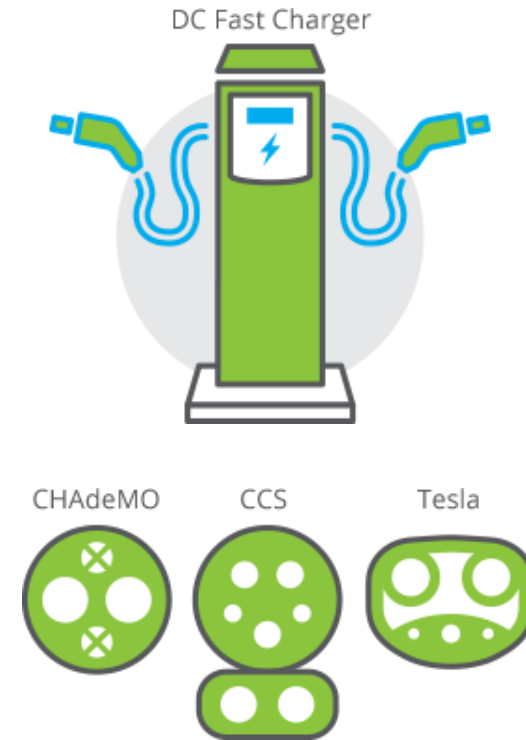
- Prevents overbilling, ensures fair transactions
- Reduces post-installation compliance corrections

TESCO's SI Traceable Equipment:

- T4350 & PL4150: AC/DC charger testing solutions
- Precision, ease of use, broad compatibility



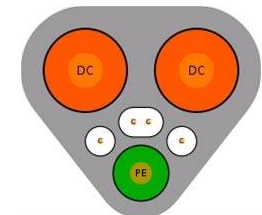
- **Standards evolving rapidly**
 - Combined Charging System
 - CCS1 SAE J1772 North America
 - CCS2 Europe
 - CHadeMO (Only Nissan and Mitsubishi)
 - Tesla V1
 - Tesla V2/V3 (Introduced in 2019)
 - Chaoji (China, Japan, India)
 - Successor to CHadeMO and GB/T
 - >100kW is considered “high end” (400V Systems)
 - First US **350kW** units installed Dec 10, 2018 (800V)



Source: calevip.org; forbes.com

- **Market Direction**

- DC Generation 1 (less than 150kW)
 - Nominal 400-500 VDC
 - Up to 300 A max
- DC Generation 2 (up to 400 kW)
 - Nominal 800 VDC (1000VDC max)
 - Up to 350A typ, 500 A max
- Today: 600kW, even Megawatt Charging (MCS)
- Tomorrow: ????

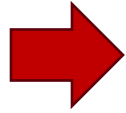


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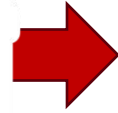
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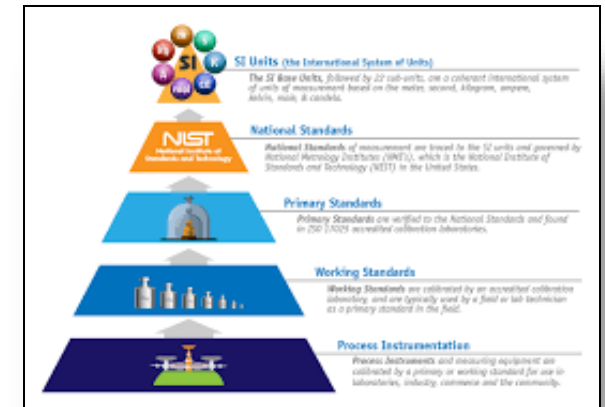
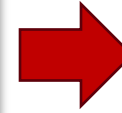
Level 1, 2, 3 EVSE Charger



TESCO Catalog #T4350



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TESCO ISO 17025:2017
Accreditation

Test Methods

- Simulation
 - Use of a load emulator, “Phantom Load”, but *resistive*
 - *Full Load Test, Light Load Test*
- Man-in-the-middle (MITM)
 - Use of an electric vehicle, “Customer Load”, via *EV charge*



SIMULATION



MAN-IN-THE-MIDDLE

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AC CALIBRATION



DC CALIBRATION





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TESCO's TRACEABLE EQUIPMENT



TESCO's TRACEABLE EQUIPMENT



Photos courtesy of MA DoS



Photos courtesy of San Bernardino County



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EV Charging Station Test Report



DEVICE MANAGER

EVSE TESTER DEVICE INFO:

System Name: **T4000**
Software Version: **1.3.4r**

Serial Number: **00046**
Calibration Date: **Nov-22-2022 7:23 AM**

EVSE Charger Info:

Establishment Name: **l'Esplanade**
Customer: **Hydro Quebec**

Address:
**8181 Av de l'Esplanade, Montreal
ON, HGP 2R5**

EVSE INFO:

Manufacturer: **Circuit Electrique**
Serial Number: **CEA-10028**

Model: **smartTwo**
GFCI rating: **0.02**

PORTS INFO:

Port #1:
Name: **Port1**

Connector Type: **CCS1 AC**



DEVICE MANAGER

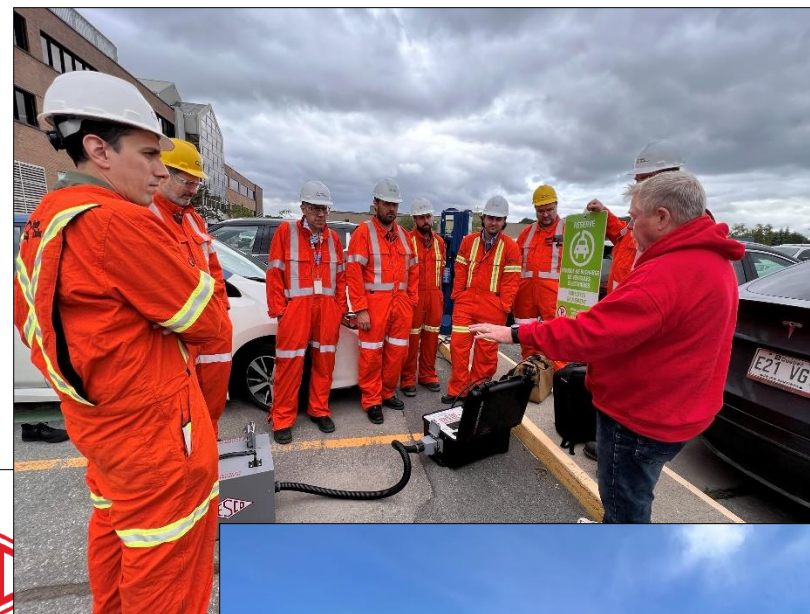
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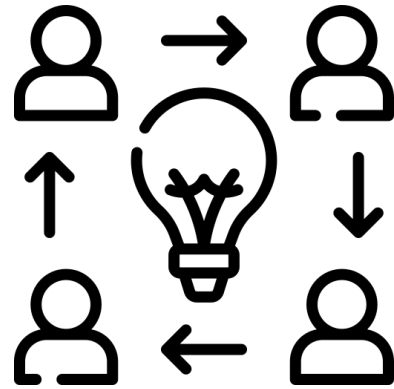
AC-FAST : **CCS1 AC**
PORT: **Port1**

Conducted by: **HYDRO QC**
Conducted on: **Jun-07-2023 12:03 PM**

TEST INDEX	TEST NAME	DURATION	RESULT	ENERGY DELIVERED	ENERGY READING	% ERROR	COMPUTED SALES AMT	EVSE SALES AMT	TOLERANCE TYPE	TOLERANCE
1-1	FL	00:00:52	PASS	0.1003	0.1000	-0.30	0.100	0.000	Maintenance	2.00%
1-2	FL	00:00:52	PASS	0.1003	0.1000	-0.30	0.100	0.000	Maintenance	2.00%

Test Types: **NL** = No Load, **SL** = Startup Load, **LL** = Light Load, **FL** = Full Load, **GFCI** = Ground Fault Test, **DIODE** = CP Diode Test
% Error = $((X-S)/S) * 100$





Collaboration And Industry Innovation

Customer-Driven Enhancements:

- Improved user experience with EV charging stations
- Advanced calibration techniques for accuracy

Key Takeaways from Industry Events:

- Standardization efforts (CharIN Testival, NCWM)
- Training opportunities (NCWM EVSE Technical Training Conference)



Summary:

- EVSE compliance is crucial for transparency and consumer trust
- Proactive testing ensures long-term industry success
- Test specifications and tolerances are defined by HB 44 Section 3.40; procedure is defined by HB 130 EPO 30
- Test equipment continues to evolve alongside the regulatory landscape; looks and behaves similarly to existing Electrical Metrology Equipment





QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION



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