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Heat Pumps for Heating and Cooling – Part 2: All-Electric Design & Construction Series

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# Tri-County Regional Energy Network

3C-REN is a collaboration between the tri-counties

Our programs reduce energy use for a more sustainable, equitable and economically vibrant Central Coast

Our free services are funded via the CPUC, bringing ratepayer dollars back to the region



# **Our Services**

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## **3C-REN Achievements**



Data from 2019-2022 for three programs



California Licensure & AIA Learning Units

- Beginning in 2023 Licensed Architects are required by the State of California to take five (5) hours of Continuing Education (CE) coursework in Zero Net Carbon Design (ZNCD).
- This course is designed to count towards CA's ZNCD requirement <u>as</u> <u>well as</u> AIA's Health, Safety, Welfare (HSW) Learning Units.
- The whole series provides **5 AIA HSW / CA ZNCD** Learning Units
- For more information see <u>https://www.cab.ca.gov/docs/misc/ab1010\_zncdce\_faq.pdf</u>









## Series Outline





- 1. Overview: Carbon Reduction through Building Electrification
- 2. ZNCD for Heat Pumps for Heating and Cooling
- 3. ZNCD for Domestic Hot Water
- 4. ZNCD for Ventilation and HRV
- 5. ZNCD for Appliances & Energy Storage



# **Today's Learning Objectives**

- Learn the 'why' behind California's shift to building electrification and the link to Zero Net Carbon Design
- Learn the pros and cons of various products to help in selecting appropriate systems that meet electrification and carbon-reduction goals
- Learn critical installation details such as dimensions and venting to call out in plans and/or identify early in construction
- Understand the local market for specific all-electric/ZNCD equipment, including cost, availability and lead times.

#### Learning Units:

1.0 AIA HSW LU approved for this course





# Agenda

- 1. Context: CA Clean Energy Goals
- 2. Heat Pumps for Space Conditioning
- 3. Heat Pumps for the Consumer Market
- 4. Tips for Managing Client Expectations





# ZNCD Buildings and California's Clean Energy Goals



# California's Plan for Grid Stability and Expansion

A carbon-free electric grid where:

- Buildings are increasingly decarbonized.
- The Industrial Sector is powered by clean electricity, and by clean fuels, such as green hydrogen.
- Transportation choices are zero-emission and able to plug into the electric grid at places of convenience for all customers

**BUILDING THE ELECTRICITY GRID OF THE FUTURE: CALIFORNIA'S CLEAN ENERGY TRANSITION PLAN** 



https://www.gov.ca.gov/wpcontent/uploads/2023/05/CAEnergyTransitionPlan.pdf



# All-Electric (and Nearly All-Electric) Buildings

- New Construction All-Electric is relatively easy, with some exceptions for large scale buildings and industrial applications
- Existing Buildings Incremental opportunities for
  - HVAC Replacement
  - Appliance Replacement
  - On-site Solar and Batteries
  - Envelope Improvements
- Existing Communities Infrastructure Approach
  - Decarbonize the Grid
  - Reduce Natural Gas Carbon Footprint



## **Refrigerants and GWP**

- Most heat pump equipment uses R-410A
- The American Innovation and Manufacturing (AIM) ACT calls for the phase out of refrigerants with a high GWP
- Under the AIM ACT, the EPA set a limit of 700 GWP for chillers, air conditioning, and heat pumps manufactured after Jan, 2025
- R-410A has a GWP of 2088...
- R-454B, with a GWP of 466, is being adopted by many manufactures
- R-32, with a GWP of 675, is slightly flammable therefore most units using R-32 will have leak detection and a mechanism to clear the refrigerant



An ultra low GWP Refrigerant: R-744 (CO2) has a GWP of 1





# Heat Pumps for Space Conditioning



# **Types and Uses – Heat Pumps for Space Conditioning**

#### Air-Source



https://www.energy.gov/energysaver/air-source-heat-pumps

#### Ground-Source / Geo-Thermal / Water-Source



https://www.energy.gov/energysaver/geothermal-heat-pumps

Vertical systems are typical used in large commercial and school buildings where land area may be restrictive.

Holes approx. 4" dia are drilled about 20 ft apart and 100-400 ft deep.

A U-shaped pipe is grouted in place and connected to the building heat pump.



#### Small Scale Commercial and Residential –Single and Multifamily



Multi-family / Hospitality

Small Commercial / Non-Res

Residential





## Large Scale and Commercial Applications



Office / Retail / Highrise



- Ducted and Ductless Systems
- Variable Capacity Systems
- Simultaneous Heating and Cooling





## Multifamily / Senior Living –Ducted VRV/VRF



Digital Building Control System -Provides FCU monitoring for each dwelling









#### Small Commercial Multi-zone –Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF)



Winery Laboratory and Office –multi-zone VRF with ducted fan coil units





## Single zone systems –same building, different needs







## Hospitality / Hotel-Motel and Multifamily –package terminal air-conditioner (PTHP)



A ducted extension kit was used to heat/cool the adjacent bedroom



## Space Conditioning Systems – Residential and Small Scale Commercial



# Ductless 'Mini-Split' Heat Pump Overview



# The Mini-Split – Some Basic Components of Outdoor Unit



# Refrigerator – Simplified Components









# **Distribution – Ducted**



- Locate indoor equipment in garage or equipment room
- Long duct runs: soffits, chases, pathways similar to gas FAU's
- Can theoretically utilize existing ducts in reno/remodel





# **Distribution – Concealed Duct**



- Often located in attic or conditioned crawl space
- Multiple locations for large homes, multi-family, and commercial
- Shorter duct runs from indoor unit
- Vents appear like typical HVAC grilles in walls or ceilings



# **Distribution - Ductless**



Image: Mitsubishi

- Minimal space use
- Ceiling mount between joists
- Wall mount possible to conceal in furniture & built-ins
- +/- 20 SEER; +/- 15 EER





# <image>

Sizes and Options: Ductless and Ducted, Single Zone and Multi-Zone

# A Closer Look at Heat Pumps for the Consumer

Mitsubishi Electric – Trane Marketing Material

## The Current Market

## Many to Choose from... Full Service HVAC Installs to DIY Kits





















## Global Market Expected to Grow 40% by 2030

- Approx 218
   brands of heat
   pumps are
   available in
   North America
   alone
- The top 10 manufactures control approx. 85% of the North American HVAC Market



The data source for this information is the 2020 ACHR News Magazine HVAC Market Report.

https://buildops.com/commercial-construction/northamerican-hvac-equipment-market-chart/  Manufacture's market share is constantly shifting, as the parent companies buy, sell and team up with other companies/brands.

#### www.reuters.com

July 23, 2024 (Reuters) - Robert Bosch has agreed to acquire Johnson Controls' and Hitachi's residential and light commercial heating, ventilation, and air conditioning businesses.

Bosch said it expects the **global market for the heating and cooling of buildings to grow 40% by 2030**, driven by technological progress, the fight against climate change and new regulations.





## Common Brands Available in Calif Central Coast – Retailers

Costco On-line

MRCOOL

Home Depot		Lowe's		Fergusons Supply House		
TURBRO	Pioneer	MRCOOL Celiera		Friedrich Air Conditioning	Parker Hannifin (2)	
Tosot	MRCOOL	Amana			DiversiTech® (1)	
boreal	GREE	BHI	Premium Levella	Products (7)	Service First (1)	
AUX	BHI	<ul><li>Bosch</li><li>Keystone</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Whiripool</li> <li>BONAIRE</li> </ul>	Supco (7)	Spacepak (1)	
Bonaire Durango	Ramsond	<ul><li>Winado</li><li>DuctlessAire</li></ul>	<ul><li>Friedrich</li><li>Costway</li></ul>	Rheem (4)	Stylecrest Sales (1)	
Costway	DuctlessAire	GE	BLACK+DECKER	Goodman <sup>®</sup> (2)	Trane (1)	
Bosch	COOPER & HUNTER	AUX Arctic Wind	<ul> <li>EdenDirect</li> <li>Equator Advanced Appliances</li> </ul>			
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				Through Professi	onal Installers	

Mitsubishi Fujitsu Daikin Samsung





## Manufacture's 'Kits' Are Becoming More Common

#### Purchased by Professionals and Laypeople:

- Ensures Compatible Indoor and Outdoor Units
- Includes:
  - Remote Thermostat
  - Condensate Line
  - Refrigerant Line
  - Communication Wire/Line
- Some kits include tape, putty (patching holes), etc.
- Additional kits can include surge protectors and/or electrical disconnect



**Typical Disclaimer**: **Equipment should be sized, selected and installed by a qualified professional** to ensure proper installation, function, safe operation, adherence to federal, state and local codes and for valid warranty; see installation guide and manufactures warranty statement for more details



## Popularity of Wall Mount – Ease of Installation



Air Flow





## Items and Features that Impact Purchase Price

- Promotional Pricing
- Indoor Sound Rating: "Very Quiet" ~22 dB(A) more expensive
- Efficiency –HSPF2 and SEER2: Higher efficiency costs more, EnergyStar qualifies for Tax Credit
- Rated Heating Capacity (BTU): Higher capacity cost more
- Cold Temp Limit: "Low Ambient Temperature" units cost more, "Hyper Heat" cost the most
- Electrical Voltage: 230/240V less expensive than 115/120V units
- Refrigerant Line: Longer lengths cost more

#### Promotional Pricing Look for Sales and Deals







## Additional Items for a Complete Job

# Better Quality Install and Site Specific Items

- Insulation Refrigeration Lines
- Exterior Line Set Covers
- Outdoor Unit Mounting Options: Ground Mount Pads, Racks, and Hangers, etc.
- Hardwired thermostats, Smart Controls
- Electrical Work
   (power/breaker/junction box-shut off)



New Construction: Line Set Built-In to Wall







## **Single Zone Kit Example – Pioneer \$**

- **Cost Range**: 9,000 Btu, Single Zone \$728 \$1630
- Installation Not Included –Add between \$1200-\$4500 for equipment and another \$750-\$1400 for electrical
- Availability: Home Depot, Lowe's, direct manufacture's website, other on-line shops
- Requires Professional Installation: Yes, refrigerant line evacuation and brazed flare fit connections\*
- **EnergyStar**: Yes, some models –Potential Tax Credit
- Special Features: LED Readout on Front Cover
- Warranty: 5 yr Standard (Options to extend to 7yr parts and 10 yr compressor)



\*Note: These refrigerant line systems need a licensed professional with specialized tools.



## Single Zone Kit Example – Pioneer \$

#### Efficiency:

- SEER2: Range 19 25.5
- HSPF2 Region IV: Range 8.6 12
- Sound Range: 21.5 42 dB(A)
- **Fan**: 3 speed, 4 speed, variable
- Cold Temp Range:
  - +4 deg F
  - -13 deg F
  - -22 deg F
- Sizing Guide Estimate: Website includes interactive drop down menu guidance
  - Single Zone 9,000 BTU: 100-400 sf space
- Color/Style Options: White



\*Note: These refrigerant line systems need a licensed professional with specialized tools.



# Single Zone DIY – MRCOOL DIY Example \$\$

- **Cost Range**: 9,000 Btu, Single Zone \$1250 \$1699
- Installation Not Included –Depending on your skill set budget for professional assistance, especially for electrical work.
- Availability: Home Depot, Lowe's, Costco, On-Line
- Requires Professional Installation: Not Necessarily, DIY Pre-charged refrigerant lines with No-Vac Quick Connect\*
- Electrical: 115V / 120V
- EnergyStar: Yes, for Southern States Region –Tax Credit
- Special Features: "Follow Me" Function, WiFi enabled; Leak detection; some units come with a corrosion resistance coating for coastal climates
- Color/Style Options: White
- Warranty: 2 yr parts and 1 yr compressor



\*Note: MRCOOL also makes a "HVAC-pro" line of products and states that those units should be installed by an authorized technician and are not intended for amateur installations.



# Single Zone DIY – MRCOOL DIY Example \$\$

#### • Efficiency:

- SEER2: Range up to 21.7
- HSPF2 Region IV: Range up to 9.1
- Sound Range: 22 38 dB(A)
- Fan: 4 speed, variable
- Cold Temp Range:
  - +5 deg F
- Sizing Guide Estimate: Table based on square footage available on website
  - Single Zone 9,000 BTU: 180-375 sf space
- Color/Style Options: White



\*Note: MRCOOL also makes a "HVAC-pro" line of products and states that those units should be installed by an authorized technician and are not intended for amateur installations.



## Built-Up Single Zone – Mitsubishi MSZ-GS Example \$\$\$

- **Cost Range**: 9,000 Btu, Single Zone \$1600 \$1950
- Installation Not Included –Add between \$3500-\$5000 for equipment and another \$1000-\$1400 for electrical
- Availability: Through your Installing Contractor
- Requires Professional Installation: Yes, refrigerant line evacuation and brazed flare fit connections\*;
- Electrical: 208V / 230V
- EnergyStar: Yes, Fed Tax Credit; and California Tech Rebate
- Special Features: 'Whisper Quiet' mode; Anti-corrosion treatment on the coils; Unit's interior air duct/vane, coil and fan features dual barrier coating, which maintains efficiency by keeping the inside clean
- Warranty: Standard 7yr parts and 10 yr compressor. Extend to 12 yrs/12yrs if installed by Mitsubishi Diamond Contractor and register for product warranty.





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# Built-Up Single Zone – Mitsubishi MSZ-GS Example \$\$\$

#### Efficiency:

- SEER2: 28.4
- HSPF2 Region IV: 10.9
- Sound Range: 19 43 dB(A)
- Fan: 5 Speed, variable
- Cold Temp Range:
  - +5 deg F
- Sizing Guide Estimate: N/A
- Color /Style Options:
  - 'Designer' Colors (Black, Grey, White) and Slim Styles Available



MSZ-EF Wall-mounted Unit





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## Rough Cost Comparison of Ceiling Recess vs Wall Mount MRCOOL DIY Example



## Rough Cost Comparison of a 3-Zone Ductless vs Ducted Core Components – Mitsubishi 24 kBtu Example

- 3 Indoor Units or a Ducted Central System?
- Efficiency of System Ducts in Attic or in Conditioned Space?
- Thermostats / Zoning
- Installation Costs:
  - Labor
  - Additional Materials
  - Ducts vs Ductless

Mitsubishi 24,000 BTU 20 SEER 3-Zone Ductless Mi… **\$4,698.00**  Mitsubishi - 24k BTU Cooling + Heating - P-Series Multi-Position Air Handler Air...

#### \$5,187.00

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Mitsubishi - 24k BTU Cooling + Heating -M-Series Multi-...

\$4,510.20



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# Tips for Managing Client Expectations and Title 24 for Residential Occupancies

# **Managing client expectations**

- DIY and Kits with set line lengths:
  - Coil horizontally in the attic vs outdoors
  - Avoid coiling extra line vertically
- Outdoor Unit: Locate at least 5 ft away from dryer vents
- Owner Maintenance: Some manufactures recommend cleaning the filters every two weeks and some come with an LED reminder on the front cover
- **Owner Operation**: Set the thermostat and leave it; don't turn it off and on daily like an old-school furnace/AC
- Professional Maintenance: Most manufactures recommend a professional check-up once a year



## **Owner Maintenance – Clean Filters Regularly**



- Wall Mount Units –Filters are easy to remove
- Filters can be cleaned with a light vacuuming and with a water rinse
- Some brands offer accessory allergy enzyme filters and/or PM2.5 microfilters



#### Hire a Professional – Title 24 Required

- ACCA Manual J Load Analysis
- ASHRAE Load Analysis

#### Manufacture's Resources

- "Rules of Thumb" System Sizing
  - Some use a Table based on Floor Area
  - Some have more detailed assumptions in a pull down menu form
- System Component Compatibility



- ACCA Manual J is an approved method for properly sizing the mechanical equipment.
- The computer model includes the location (climate data) and orientation, envelope assemblies, infiltration, etc.





## VCHP Compliance Option –Variable Capacity Heat Pump

Indoor units shall be installed within the air and thermal boundaries, with air flow to each habitable room, i.e. each bedroom and living area; wall thermostats required.

CERTIFICATE OF VERIFICATION CF3R-MCH-33-H								
Variable Capacity Heat Pump Compliance Credit (Page 2 of 4)								
C. Verification: Ducted Indoor Units Located Entirely in Directly Conditioned Space - RA3.1.4.3.8								
This section does not apply to this project.								
D. Verification: Ductless Indoor Units Located Entirely in Directly Conditioned Space - RA3.1.4.1.8 A visual inspection shall confirm that ductless indoor units are located entirely in conditioned space in accordance with the procedures of SC3.1.4.1.8.								
01		02			03			
Indoor Unit Name or Descript	ion of Area Served	Indoor Unit Installation Location Verification			Compliance Statement			
Living Unit		Indoor unit mounted entirely on the surface of walls, ceilings, or floors				Complies		
Right Bed Unit		Indoor unit mounted entirely on the surface of walls, ceilings, or floors		Complies				
Left Bed Unit		Indoor unit mounted entirely on the surface of walls, ceilings, or floors		Complies				
Notes:								
E. Verification: Wall Mounted Thermostats - SC3.4.5 Field verification according to the procedure in SC3.4.5 shall confirm that VCHP space conditioning zones that are greater than 150 ft <sup>2</sup> , are controlled by a permanently installed wall-mounted thermostat.								
01	02		03		04	05		
Indoor Unit Name or Description of Area Served	on of Is a Wall-mounted Thermo Installed in the Zone Served Indoor Unit?		Does the Thermostat Control the Zone's Indoor Unit?	Is the Thermostat Mounted Permanently to the Wall?		Compliance Statement		
Living Unit	Yes	Yes			Yes	Complies		
Right Bed Unit Yes		Yes		Yes		Complies		
Left Bed Unit			Yes		Yes	Complies		
Notes:								



Vented Attic with a Continuous Air and Thermal Boundary

## VCHP Compliance Option –HERS Measures for both Mechanical and Envelope Enclosure

Wall and Ceiling Penetrations for the Mechanical System Refrigerant, Condensate, and Communication Lines need to be Air Sealed.





Ductless Recessed-Ceiling



## **Refrigerant Charge Verification – Required HERS Measure**

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	CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION	CEC-CF2R-MCH-25-H						
a second to be a second	SAMPLE FORM – NOT VALID FOR SUB	MISSION TO BUILDING DEPARTMENTS						
CERTI	CERTIFICATE OF INSTALLATION							
Note:	This table completed by HERS Registry.							
Proje	ect Name:	Enforcement Agency:						
Dwel	ling Address:	Permit Number:						
City a	and Zip Code:	Permit Application Date:						
<b>A. Sys</b> Each s	tem Information ystem requiring refrigerant charge verification w	vill be documented on a separate certificate.						
01	Space Conditioning System Identification or Name	:0						
02	Space Conditioning System Location or Area Served	11 3						
03	Condenser (or package unit) Make or Brand	11. 191						
04	Condenser (or package unit) Model Number	110 115.						
05	Nominal Cooling Capacity (tons) of Condenser	0, N.						
06	Condenser (or package unit) Serial Number							
07	Refrigerant Type	XO .C.						
08	Other Refrigerant Type (if applicable)	13						
09	Liquid Line Filter Drier Installed According to Manufacturer's Specifications (if applicable)	A G isto						
10	System Installation Type	0.00						
11	Fault Indicator Display (FID) Status (Note: Even systems with a FID must have refrigerant charge verified by installer)	il ree der						
12	Is the system of a type that the minimum airflow can be verified for all indoor units using an approved measurement procedure (RA3.3 or RA3.3.3)?	C. Vic						

#### Straight forward to verify when the HERS Rater can observe the process.



Include the HERS measures (See CF1R or LMCC) on the Cover Sheet, suggested locations:

- 'Code Summary'
- Code Analysis'
- Supporting Documents'
- 'HERS Summary'



# **Questions about Title 24?**

## **3C-REN offers a free Code Coach Service**



Online: 3c-ren.org/code Call: **805.781.1201** 

Energy Code Coaches are local experts who can help answer your Title 24 Part 6 or Part 11 questions.

They can provide code citations and offer advice for your res or non-res projects.

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- Domestic Hot Water Part 3: All Electric Design and Construction (1/16)
- Introduction to the Energy Code (1/22)
- Ventilation and HRV Part 4: All Electric Design and Construction (1/23)
- Appliances and Energy Storage Part 5: All Electric Design and Construction (1/30)

Any phone numbers who joined? Please share your name!





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