

NAECA III Generation Water Heaters

& Their Performance Measurement

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Discussion Topics



- NAECA III Generation Water Heaters and innovations beyond minimum standards
- New Trends: Air & Water Integrated Systems

EF to UEF Transition

NAECA III: Recap by the Numbers



NAECA III – new DOE energy efficiency requirements effective April 16, 2015

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What it means for product design -

Gas



- o 20-55 gallon capacity: Increase of 2-3 pts. EF
- >55 gallon capacity: Increase of 21+ pts. EF

Electric



- o 20-55 gallon capacity: increase of 2-5 pts. EF
- o >55 gallon capacity: increase of 110+ pts. EF

Impacted Models - >80% of the industry's models affected



Impact to Rheem and other manufacturers:

- √ \$Millions invested in redesign
- ✓ Multi-year R&D project
- ✓ Changes to product designs
- ✓ New Manufacturing Equipment
- ✓ New Tools and Dies
- ✓ New Supplier Tooling
- ✓ Test and Quality Assurance Equipment
- ✓ Extensive pilot runs and design validation work
- ✓ Extensive testing and lab expenses
- ✓ Global supplier support & validation
- ✓ Multiple public awareness campaigns
- ✓ 2015 UED conversion costs



Residential Gas – Product Innovations



minimum standard



EF 0.62

- + powered damper
- + diagnostics



EF 0.67

- + fan assisted
- + diagnostics



EF 0.70 +49% recovery

- + condensing
- + diagnostics



EF 0.82

Residential Electric – Product Innovations



Performance\Attributes minimum standard

EF 0.95

+ diagnostics



EF 0.95

- + multiple modes
- + diagnostics





EF 0.95

- + multiple modes
- + diagnostics





EF 2.45



New Trends:

Air & Water Integrated Systems

H₂AC Commercial



- Full service restaurants, commercial laundry, hotels, etc...
 - Rooftop air conditioning
 - >1,500 gallons/day hot water use
- Operating principle:
 - Redirect waste heat (refrigerant)
 to preheat H₂O to 125°F



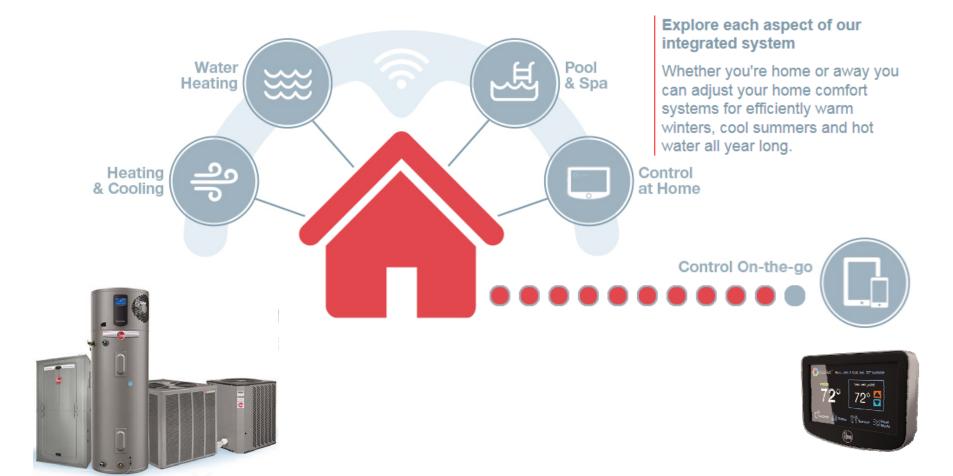
Economics:

- Up to 50% savings on annual water heating costs
- Up to 20% savings on overall energy costs
- < 2 year payback (depending on regional climate, usage, & utility rates)</p>

System Connectivity







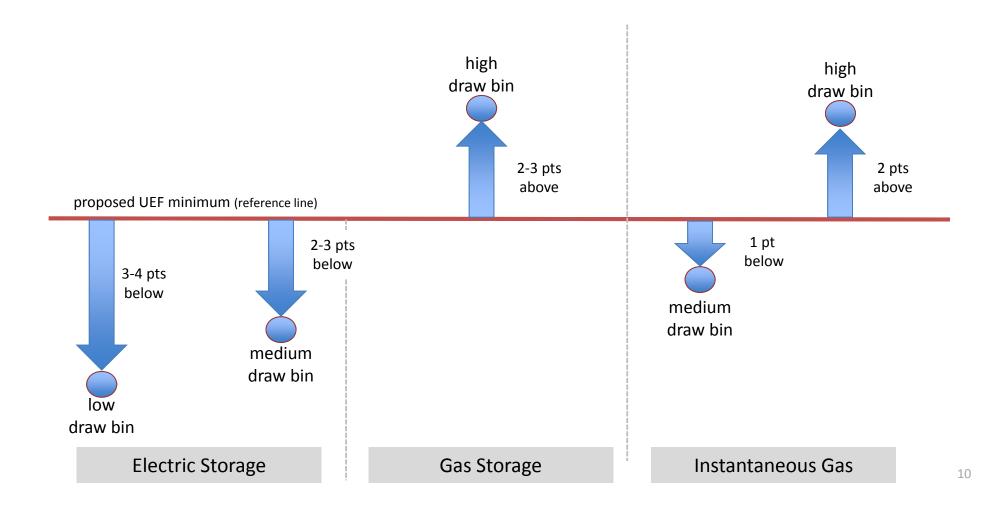


EF to UEF Transition

UEF Performance Testing



- EF & UEF tests underway to aid with characterizing NAECA III units
- Industry & researchers building experience with new procedure



Thank You!

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