

ACEEE Water Heating Forum: Integrated HPWHs in Multifamily in the Northeast

Overview



 Heat pump water heaters (HPWHs) and multifamily buildings



#1 ENERGY PROVIDER IN NEW ENGLAND



- 3 states
- 3.6m customers
- 8,000 employees
- \$500m+ annual EE investment



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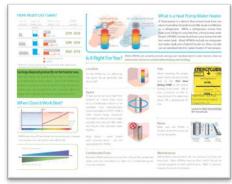
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2019 CT Residential HPWH Program

- \$750 Instant Discount Rebate
- ENERGY STAR® certification required
- Uniform Energy Factor >= 3.0 and storage capacity of 55 gallons or less
- \$750 instant discount rebate at distributor
- \$400 instant discount rebate at retail (with additional \$350 mail in)
 - April 1st, \$750 instant discount at retail
- Point of Purchase (POP), Social Media, Radio
 & Geo targeted ads, Direct Mailers & educational brochures



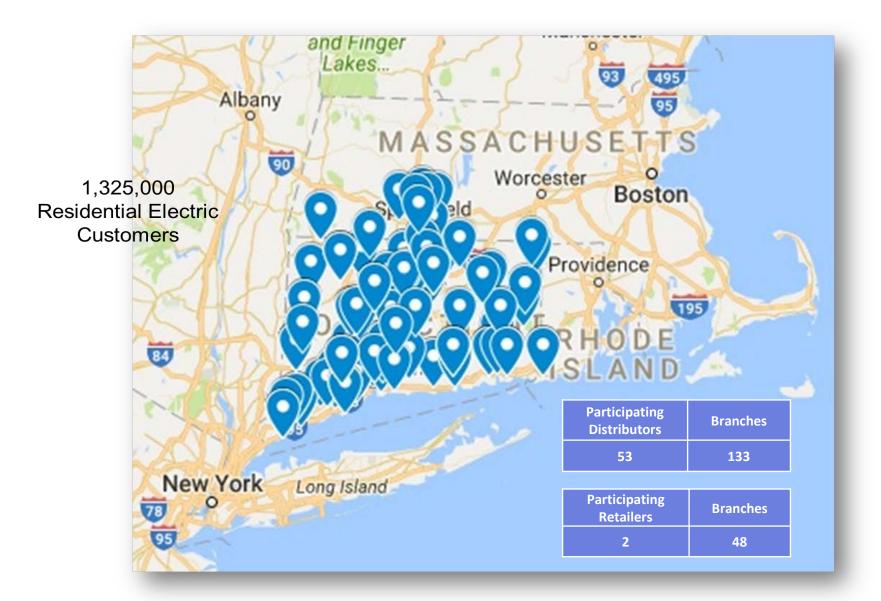




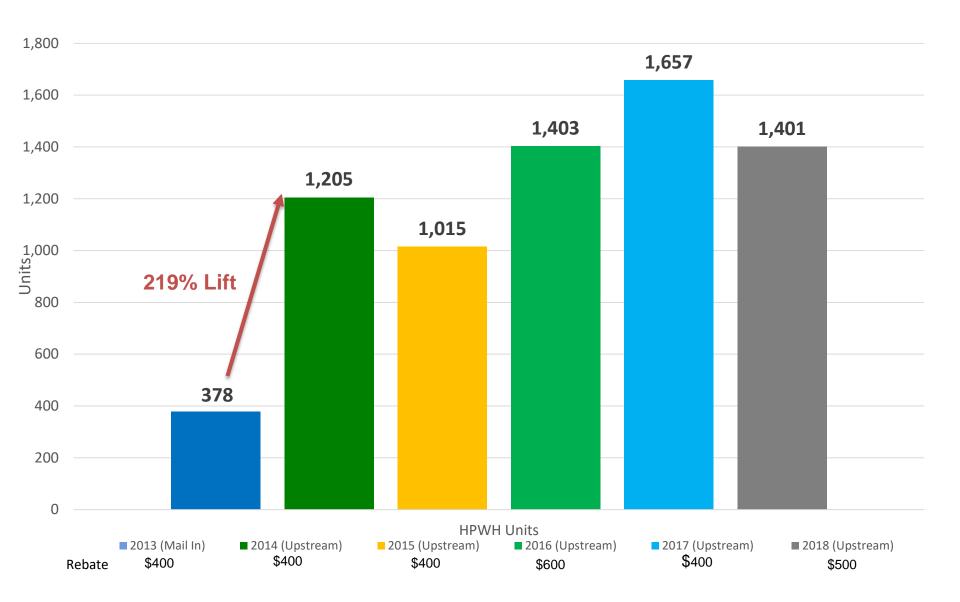




CT Service Territory



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Field Implementation



- Regular visits to retail/distributors
- Point of Purchase (POP) placement
- Customer interaction
- Counter days



Contractor Training









Integrated HPWH



SF in the Northeast:

- These work! (mostly)
- Open, unfinished basements
- Other applications (e.g. closets) don't work so well.

MF in the Northeast:

• ...?



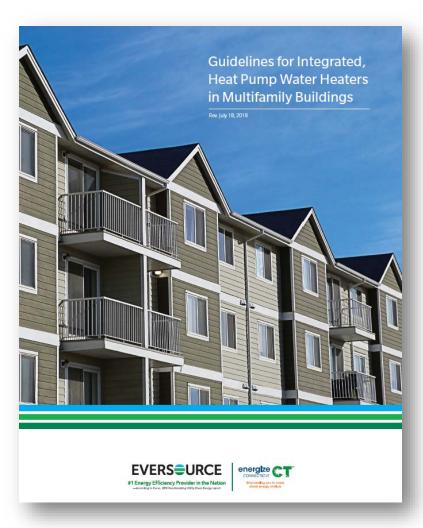
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What does this mean for Multifamily?





Multifamily HPWH Guidelines



Very stringent! Specific to:

- Northeast (colder climate)
- Integrated HPWHs available today
- HPWH provides 100% DWH

Will need to update when:

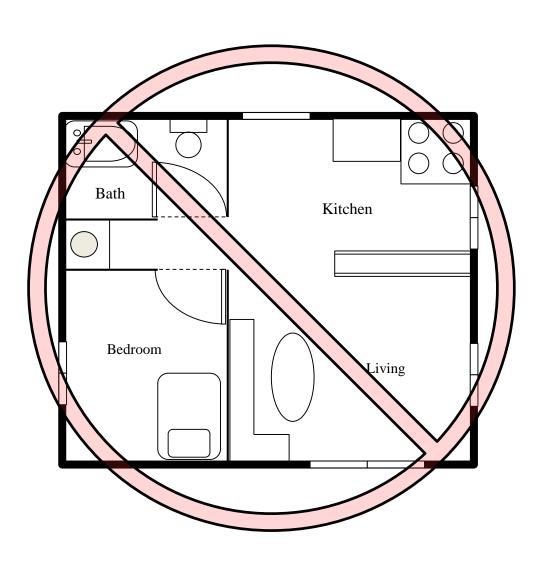
- New products
- New applications
- New studies

Best outcome:

Help people UNDERSTAND and THINK!

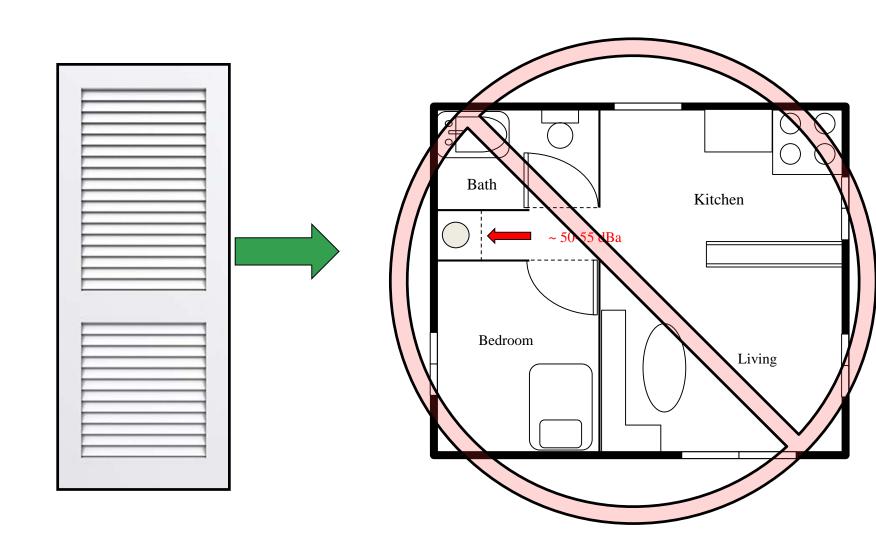
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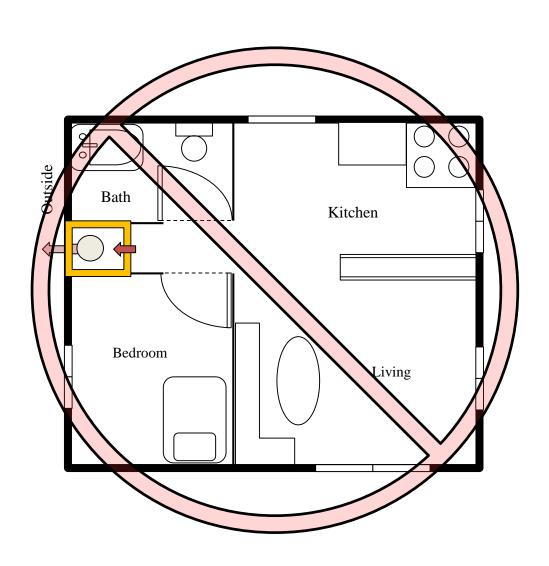
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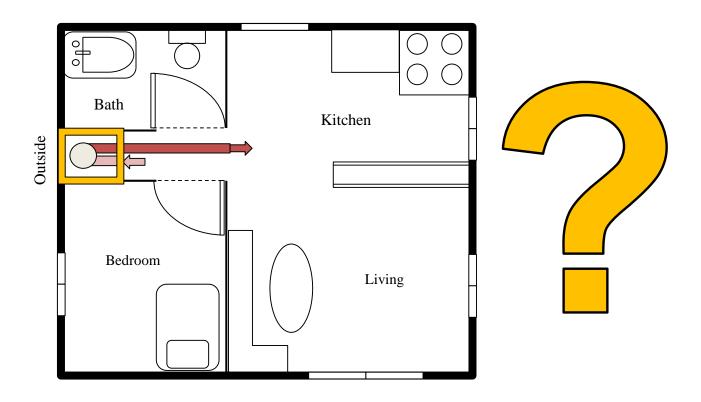


In-Unit Ducted HPWH



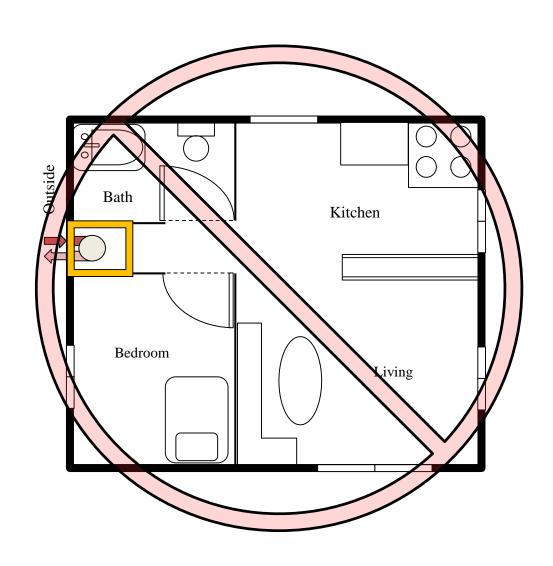






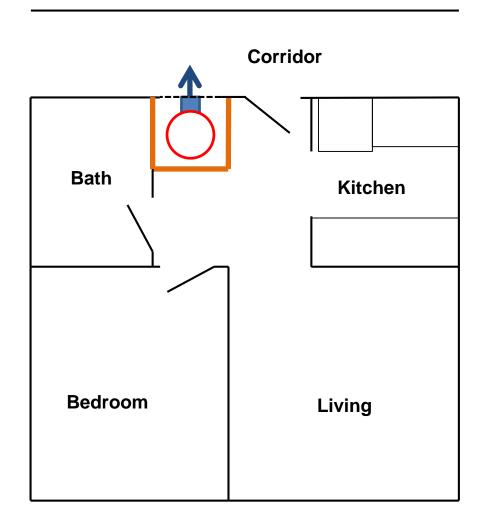


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Near-Unit HPWH



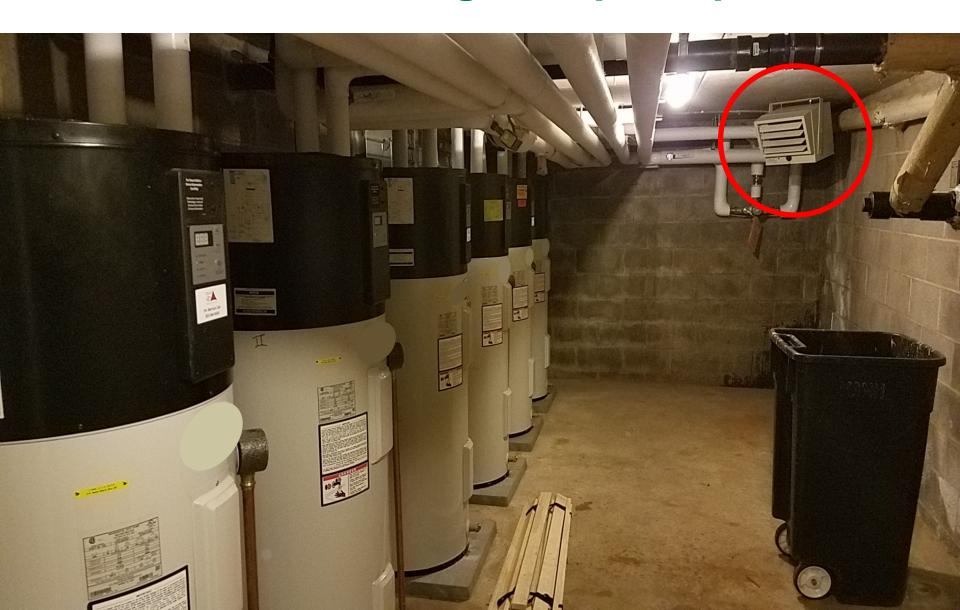
- HPWH located outside of apartment envelope
- Sound-rated assemblies
- HPWH exhaust is ducted to corridor
- Air replaced via a louvered door
- Corridor has adequate volume and space heating

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HPWH Plants Serving Group of Apartments



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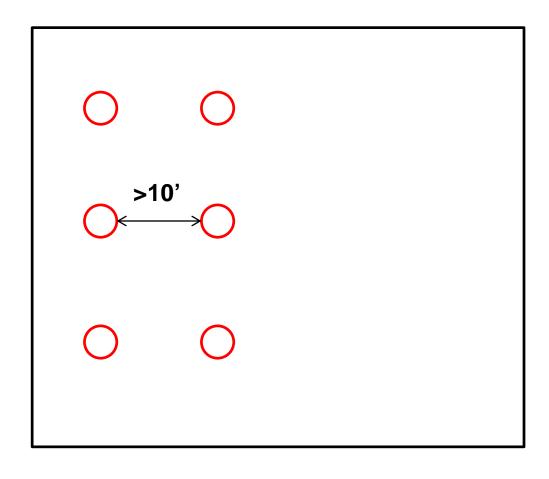
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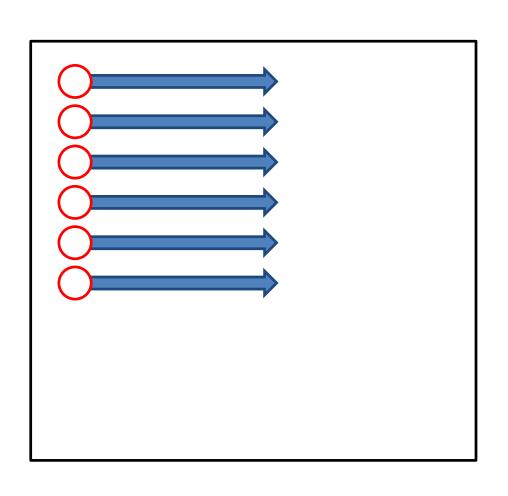


Central Plant Considerations





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- HPWHs within conditioned space (cold climate)
- Air intake at least 10' from any HPWH exhaust
- Room/intake air temperature heated to ~50°F*
- No resistance space heat!
- Correct size & number of HPWHs for load



Multifamily HPWH Scenarios

Scenario 1: HPWH Located In Each Apartment (Non-Ducted)

Scenario 2: HPWH Located In Each Apartment (Ducted)

Scenario 3: HPWH Located Near Each Apartment / Heat Drawn From & Exhausted To Separate Spaces

Scenario 4: HPWH For Each Apartment Located In Remote Location

Scenario 5: HPWH "Plants" Serving Entire Building Or Group of Apartments

Recommendations for All Systems EVERS URCE

- Consider locating HPWHs where they can draw air from rooms with waste heat from other systems.
 - Do not draw air from rooms with dust or corrosive elements
- Insulate hot water piping to at least R-4
- Install ENERGY STAR™ certified dishwashers and clothes washers
- Install WaterSense[™] certified bathroom aerators and showerheads, and kitchen faucets less than or equal to 2.0 GPM
- Design compact hot water distribution plumbing
- Use demand-controlled recirculation where appropriate
- Consider air-to-water heat pumps with compressors and evaporators located outdoors.
 - Several types and sizes are available, but be mindful of capacity and efficiency limitations

Electric Resistance Storage Water Heaters



With current integrated HPWH products, it is not always possible or practical to use HPWHs in many multifamily buildings.

In such situations, electric resistance storage water heaters may be a practical solution.

When using electric resistance storage water heaters, follow these guidelines:

- Install water heaters with energy factor (EF) of at least 0.95 (UEF ≥ 0.93)
- 2. Insulate all hot water piping to a minimum of R-4
- 3. Install ENERGY STAR™ dishwashers and clothes washers
- Install WaterSense[™] bathroom faucets and kitchen faucets less than or equal to 2.0 GPM



Considerations for Ducted & Non-Ducted Systems

Non-Ducted

- Locate HPWH within thermal envelope
- Space must have free volume of at least 1,000 ft^{3,1}
- Must NOT locate in areas where cold air discharge will cause comfort issues
- Intake must be 10 feet away from cooking appliances
- Exhaust must be 10 feet away from HVAC thermostat

Ducted

- Within thermal envelope
- If located in room with less than 1,000 ft³ volume¹, intake or exhaust must be ducted outside of room
- HPWH exhaust must NOT be delivered directly to areas where cold air is likely to cause comfort issues
- Ducts must NOT be run to outdoors
- If only one side of HPWH is ducted, free area of at least 2 ft²/100 CFM of air flow must be provided to room where HPWH is located^{2,3}
- 1. Or other minimum free air volume as listed in product literature
- 2. Ex. If a HPWH in a closet moves 200 CFM, louvered doors with 4 ft² of free area can meet this requirement.
- 3. Where air flow is unknown, assume 400 CFM



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