

Grid-enabled Water Heaters: Balancing Social Acceptability, Safety and Efficiency

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Grid-enabled Consumer Solutions

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Defining Social Acceptability





Key Components



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Savings
Environment
Technology
Control / Knowledge





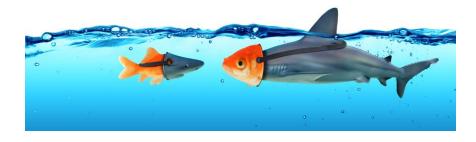
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TRUST

Privacy Accountability Service Security









Defining Social Acceptability



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Value vs Trust



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Water heaters are not very engaging!



Is there hope?

Most and Least Trusted US Companies in 2018



Rank	Company	Industry	Temkin Trust Rating*	Rank	Company	Industry	Temkin Trust Rating*
1	USAA	Banks	81%	318	Comcast	TV/Internet Service	22%
2	Wegmans	Supermarkets	79%	317	Charter Spectrum	TV/Internet Service	25%
3	A credit union	Banks	77%	315	Optimum	TV/Internet Service	29%
3	H-E-B	Supermarkets	77%	315	Cox Communications	TV/Internet Service	29%
5	USAA	Credit Cards	75%	314	Spirit Airlines	Airlines	31%
5	USAA	Insurance	75%	313	San Diego Gas & Electric	Utilities	36%
7	Regions	Banks	74%	312	DirecTV	TV/Internet Service	38%
7	Navy Federal Credit Union	Banks	74%	308	AT&T	TV/Internet Service	40%
9	Holiday Inn Express	Hotels & Rooms	73%	308	Wells Fargo	Banks	40%
9	Alabama Power Company	Utilities	73%	308	Verizon	TV/Internet Service	40%
9	Baskin Robbins	Fast Food	73%	308	Sprint	Wireless	40%

*The Temkin Trust Ratings are based on 10,000 US consumers' feedback regarding their recent interactions with companies. Consumers are asked to evaluate the degree to which they trust that the companies will take care of their needs, giving a score to the companies on a 7-point scale. The firm then took the percentage of respondents giving a rating of 6 or 7 for each company and subtracted from that the percentage giving the company a rating of 1, 2, or 3. The resulting score was the Temkin Trust Rating (TTR), from which the rankings were derived.

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Based on a survey of 10,000 US consumers, who were asked to rate 318 companies across 20 industries



Safety?



Temperature Awareness Is Not Optional

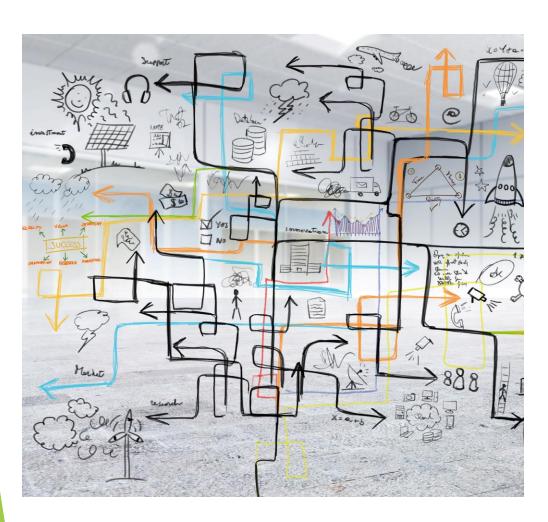


Knowing the state of the water column is essential to unlocking its value:

- √ Thermal storage
- √ Capacity / delivery
- √ Bacterial control



Keep It Simple!



Too much noise around protocols and standards: progress does not wait for regulators.

Consumers end up driving adoption through unplanned value.



Water Heaters Do Not "Engage"



"Engagement" is so 2018...

Empowerement, not engagement, is the truly valuable outcome.

Consumers will do the rest.



Does it matter?

Water heating is an enabling technology for the future of energy.

It's our responsibility to turn this...





Does it matter?

... into this.

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