### **Tech Specs for All-Electric Buildings**

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#### **Agenda for Discussion**

- Welcome (5 min)
- All-Electric Tech Specs Facilitated Presentation/Discussion (30 min)
- All-Electric Tech Specs Q&A (15 min)
- Announcements from MAPC, RMI, MACDC, and LISC (10 min)

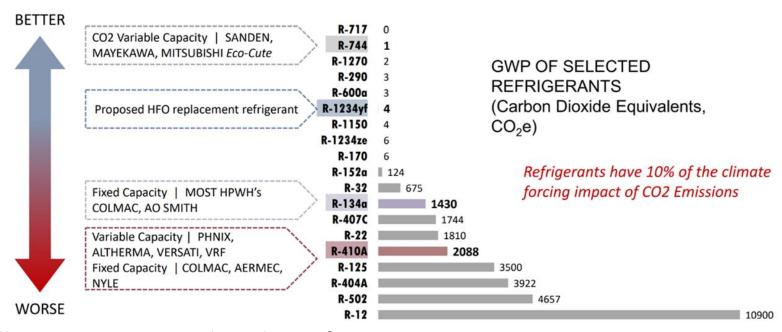
### Important Background Information Metering

#### **Options for Metering**

- All Systems on central electric meter
- Some/all systems on tenant electric meter
- Fully master metered all on one central electric meter (if applicable)



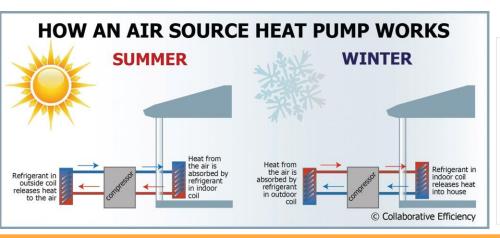
### Important Background Information Refrigerant



**Challenges**: GPW - varies based on refrigerant

#### **All-Electric Mechanicals: Heating**

- Refrigerant/compressor based heat generation and transfer
- >1-1 Performance\*
- Air or Water Source



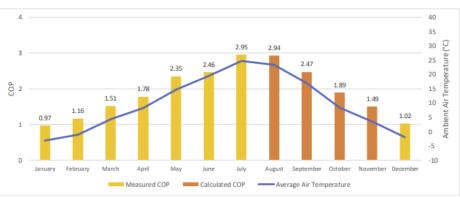
#### **Spark Spread**

1 therm = 100,000 BTU (\$1.20)

1 kWh = 3,412 BTU (\$.22)

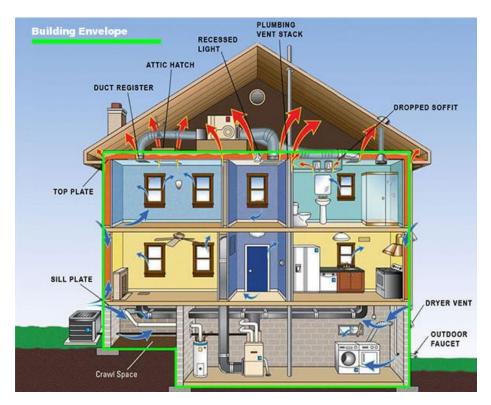
kWh in 100,000 BTU = 29.3 (\$6.45)

1 BTU produced by electric is 5.4x more expensive than 1 BTU produced by gas



### **Important Background Information Building Envelope**

- High performance envelope
  - New Construction
  - Retrofit
- Critical to controlling the amount of heating energy the building needs and the cost to run electric systems



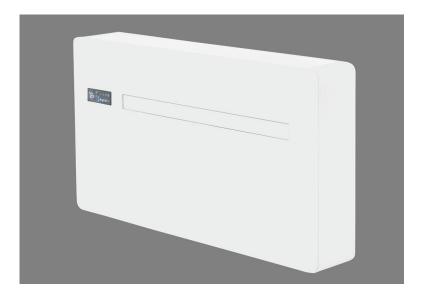
## Heating & Cooling Air Source Heat Pump – "Mini-Split"

Meter	Tenant
Space Needed	High (lots of roof equipment)
Efficiency	Yes
Scale of GHG Reductions	★★ (medium)



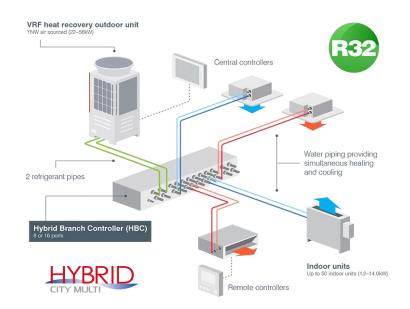
# **Heating & Cooling**Package Terminal Heat Pump (PTHP)

Meter	Tenant
Space Needed	Low (exterior wall only)
Efficiency	Yes
Scale of GHG Reductions	★★★ (high)



## Heating & Cooling Air Source Heat Pump – VRF

Meter	Central
Space Needed	Medium (some roof equipment)
Efficiency	Yes
Scale of GHG Reductions	★★ (medium)



# Heating & Cooling Air to Water Heat Pump

Meter	Central
Space Needed	Medium (some roof equipment)
Efficiency	Yes
Scale of GHG Reductions	★★ (medium)





## **Domestic Hot Water Electric Resistance (Unit-Based)**

Meter	Tenant
Space Needed	Low (no roof equipment)
Efficiency	No
Scale of GHG Reductions	★ (low)







#### **Domestic Hot Water**

#### **Heat Pump Water Heater (Unit-Based)**

Meter	Tenant
Space Needed	Low (no roof equipment)
Efficiency	Yes
Scale of GHG Reductions	★★ (medium to high)





#### **Domestic Hot Water**

### **Heat Pump Water Heater (Central or Semi-Central)**

Meter	Central
Space Needed	Low (no roof equipment)
Efficiency	Yes
Scale of GHG Reductions	★★ (medium to high)



### Making Sure Your All-Electric Building Is All-Electric

- Stove/cooktop
- Dryers
- ERV's/RTUs for ventilation
- Emergency generation



#### **Thank You!**

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