Aircosaver HVAC Energy Optimization Test

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Background

- A collaboration between Mountain Clear LLC and Energe Corp. was requested by Emcor to demonstrate the viability of a technology that will reduce energy consumption on Direct Expansion (DX) air conditioning units at JPL.
- The demonstration of the Aircosaver technology took place on a new York 10 ton A/C unit at B121 and two Eubank 3 ton A/C units on Trailers. The energy savings has been quantified by both Energe Corp. and Emcor with data logging performed by both groups.
- This technology is recognized and supported through the SPC program by the EPA, SDG&E, SCE, and PG&E and has been tested and proven in various other industries.

Aircosaver

- "The Aircosaver sensor-driven software algorithms are designed to detect thermodynamic saturation (overcooling of the evaporator) and to optimize the compressor run time accordingly. When overcapacity is detected, the Aircosaver switches the compressor off and avoids inefficient overcooling".
- The Aircosaver thermostat control device is wired in series with the room thermostat to control the air conditioner. Following shutdown of the compressor, the evaporator fan is left in service to remove stored energy from the evaporator.

JPL Temperature & RH Test

| | Avg Outside Temp | Avg Inside Temp | Avg Outside RH | Avg Inside RH |
|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Without AircoSaver | 61.415 | 71.136 | 51.052 | 39.009 |
| With AircoSaver | 63.968 | 71.144 | 44.644 | 37.897 |

AircoSaver Savings = 23.6%

(Based on 7-day before & after hour metering)

JPL Temperature Details

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Time (7 days)

JPL RH Details



Savings & Rebates

Savings

- Factoring the differences in loads between the days that data was procured, savings exceeded 20%.
- Rebates
 - 50% under SCE SPC program.
 - 3 and 10 ton units quoted rebates
 - "The estimated rebate is \$3,438 based on 23,156 kWh saved and 1.96 kW reduced"- SCE