

ENERGY MATTERS

Low-Cost Way To Save

(NAPSA)—Cleaning your home's heating/cooling system can do a lot more than improve the quality of the circulating air. It can also make a huge difference in your monthly utility bills.

That's because dust and debris reduce the ability of an HVAC system to provide heating and cooling. Consider that dirty systems—especially dirty coils—use up to 30 percent more energy to heat and cool the home.



Clean ductwork helps heating and cooling systems run more efficiently, for lower energy bills.

Meanwhile, dirty filters block airflow through the system, increasing your energy bill and shortening the equipment's life. Contaminants that don't get caught by either the filter or the coils are then blown through the rest of the system. These contaminants build up in the ductwork over time, so the system must work harder and longer to achieve the desired comfort level, using more energy and costing more.

Changing the filter regularly can help, but eventually the system must be cleaned to run at optimum efficiency. To find a certified air duct cleaner near you, visit the National Air Duct Cleaners Association at www.nadca.com.