

Budget Stretching Energy Ideas

Making A Difference, Two Degrees At A Time

(NAPSA)—Homeowners can conserve energy, save money and protect the environment with a few simple steps: by installing a programmable thermostat, by ensuring proper maintenance and quality installation of heating and air-conditioning equipment and by adjusting thermostats just two degrees.

Because residential heating and cooling can account for more than 40 percent of the average home's energy use, homeowners who take the 2 Degree Pledge promise, among other things, to adjust their thermostats by just two degrees a season—a simple move that allows them to achieve lower energy bills through greater energy efficiency.

Technology For Your Comfort

Whether you're building a new home, replacing old equipment or enhancing a current system, green technologies are available to deliver comfort more precisely and more efficiently.

Programmable thermostats, for example, allow temperatures to be automatically adjusted according to your schedule. During cooling season this may mean setting the temperature higher when you're asleep or away from home. Programmed properly, the system will operate less frequently and consume less energy, resulting in lower utility bills.

Equipment that features two-stage heating and cooling also contributes to energy efficiency by offering two levels of operation. For example, York Affinity air conditioners from Johnson Controls use an industry-leading design to operate at partial capacity when conditions are mild—about 80 percent of the time. When tempera-



A properly programmed thermostat can help you improve the environment and your own economy.

tures rise and maximum cooling is required, the unit automatically kicks into full capacity. The result: a system that cycles on and off less frequently, consuming less energy, maintaining more precise temperature settings and delivering more consistent comfort.

Incorporating these technologies in a home comfort system and adjusting a home's energy consumption can make a significant difference for homeowners, promising improved comfort and savings and—for the environment—ensuring a reduced carbon footprint. To learn more about these energy-efficient technologies, visit www.york.com or call (800) 910-YORK.

Learn More—Take The Pledge

To reduce your home's energy use and lower your utility bills, take the 2 Degree Pledge, created by the Air-Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI), in collaboration with the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers, the Edison Electric Institute, the U.S. Energy Association and North American Technician Excellence (NATE), at www.2degreepledge.org.