

HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

The 5 C's Of Cooling

(NAPSA)—When the weather's warm, many people may be relieved to learn their air-conditioning system can help keep money in their wallet and maintain a healthy home. Experts recommend homeowners keep the 5 C's of cooling in mind as they evaluate the latest cooling technologies.

Custom Comfort

Air-conditioning advancements have made it easier to escape the heat and customize settings in the home during certain times of the day. The latest technology even lets homeowners program the thermostat from a cell phone or computer so the home is at the ideal temperature upon arrival.

Cost-Efficient

Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio (SEER) is a standard measurement of efficiency, similar to miles-per-gallon ratings on a car. Buying an air conditioner with a higher SEER rating can help save money each month on utility bills. Some systems even qualify for a government tax credit.

"Our dealers have access to an online tool that compares the efficiency of different systems based on weather patterns and utility costs," said Kevin Dudash, of Bryant Heating & Cooling Systems.

Clean

From pollen to mold spores, the warmer months can be a tough time for allergies and indoor air can be up to five times more polluted than outdoor air. To help



A reliable dealer can help you evaluate the latest cooling technologies.

keep the family's air healthy, look for a high-quality, high-efficiency, whole-home air purifier to add to the heating and cooling system. The right device can clean and protect the air by filtering and killing potentially harmful indoor pollutants.

Coolant

The cooling system may use a coolant or refrigerant called R-22, commonly known as Freon, which is an ozone-depleting refrigerant scheduled to be phased out beginning in 2010. When in the market for a new air conditioner, consider refrigerant alternatives such as Puron, which won't deplete the ozone layer.

Customer Service

The right heating and cooling system begins with the right service company. It can be easy to find a reliable dealer/contractor when you visit www.bryant.com.