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Final Opportunity to Pre-Register for the 2026 AHRI Leadership Forum!

There is one week left to pre-register for the 2026 AHRI Leadership Forum, to be held November 15-17 in Rio Grande, Puerto Rico! Online registration will close on Thursday, November 5, at 4:00 p.m. EST. After that point, you will only be able to register on-site in Puerto Rico. We encourage you to use this link to register now!

The full agenda is available here. Contact: Meghan Cradock.

AHRI Certified EPD Program Part A PCR Available for Public Review

The Part A Product Category Rules (PCR) for the AHRI Certified Environmental Product Declarations (ACE) Program are now available for public review.

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Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) provide standardized, third-party verified environmental information about a product's lifecycle impact, supporting informed decision-making for sustainable development, meeting green building requirements (e.g., LEED), and driving market demand for lower-impact products and materials.

The Part A PCR document provides requirements and guidance to manufacturers of all product types developing EPDs with ACE. These requirements build upon the existing

requirements of ISO 21930:2017 and promote consistent environmental data across product types. Part B PCRs are currently in development to provide additional guidance for more specific product categories, further improving the consistency and quality of data.

As an accredited Standards Development Organization, AHRI launched the ACE Program to provide a comprehensive and credible resource to its members, certification program participants, and the wider industry. Through independent, third-party verification, ACE participants and EPD users can be confident that EPDs created through ACE are accurate, transparent, and credible. Learn more about ACE here or from the *Making Life Better* podcast episode on the topic.

Comments are due by email to ACE@ahrinet.org on or before Monday, November 30, and must be made on the official comment form. Contact: Kyle Kosmack.

Certification

AHRI Welcomes New Certification Program Participants

AHRI is pleased to welcome Ravi Aircon Pvt. Ltd., to the Forced Circulation Air-Cooling & Air-Heating Coils (ACHC) Certification Program, and Eminent Air (Thailand) Co., Ltd., to the Room Fan-Coils (RFC) Certification Program. Contact: Bill Tritsis.

Standards

AHRI Standard Open for Public Review and Comment

AHRI invites public comments on the technical content of BSR/AHRI Standard 610-202x (SI/I-P), *Performance Rating of Central System Humidifiers for Residential Applications*. Based upon comments received, the Humidifiers Standards Technical Committee will decide whether to make changes to the standard prior to publication. The deadline for review is November 23. Contact: Jacob (Cobi) Waxman.

Weekly Update from ASHRAE, ANSI, and SCC

This week's summary of ASHRAE, ANSI, and SCC standards activities that are relevant to AHRI's work is available here. Current and previous standards activities for ASHRAE can be found here. Current and previous standards activities for ANSI can be found here.

International

Trump Administration Sued Over Section 338 Tariffs on Canadian Goods

On October 20, a plaintiff filed a lawsuit in the U.S. Court of International Trade regarding President Donald Trump's imposition of Section 338 tariffs on Canadian products (Proclamation 11046; Proclamation 11047; Proclamation 11048). The plaintiff argues that President Trump lacks the authority to invoke Section 338 to order the levies against Canada. Contact: Makenzie Horrigan.



AHRI Presents on Data Centers in Korea

AHRI Senior Vice President Henry Hwong, Vice President Bridge Xue, and Korea Representative Christine Kim attended the HARFKO Exhibition in Korea October 21-23, and held the country's first AHRI Talks event, focused on data centers. Hwong outlined AHRI's strategy to help member companies in Korea access global markets and signed a contract with K-Air lab, part of the Korea Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Industry Association (KRAIA), to provide local testing services for Korean participants. Xue presented AHRI's standard and programs for data center applications and signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with design firm Yungdo Engineering to provide training and guidance on specifying requirements for building comfort and data centers. The event was attended by stakeholders from AHRI member companies, design firms, and universities. Contact: Bridge Xue.







AHRI ASEAN Office Presents 2026 Certification Performance Awards

Over the past few weeks, AHRI ASEAN Chief Representative Dom LaVigne presented AHRI Certification Performance Awards the following member company and global certification program participants:

Member company Vertiv's Asia and ANZ business unit received 2025 and 2026 AHRI Performance Awards for the three-year periods 2022-2024 and 2023-2025. Vertiv has earned five AHRI Performance Awards consecutively over the last eight years (2018-2025) for its participation in AHRI's Forced Circulation Air-Cooling & Air-Heating Coils (ACHC) Certification Program.

Member company Dunham Bush Industries received six 2026 AHRI Performance Awards for the three-year period 2023-2025, for the ACCL, WCCL, ACHC, AHUC, DCOM, and RFC Certification Programs, making its total 30 Performance Awards in the last nine years.

AHRI Certification Performance Awards honor manufacturers whose products consistently meet or exceed their stated performance claims on their first test for three consecutive years. Contact: Dom LaVigne.



AHRI Talks India Explores Data Center Performance and Heat Pump Opportunities

AHRI hosted *AHRI Talks India: Buildings. Environment. People.* in New Delhi on October 23, bringing together industry leaders and technical experts to discuss emerging opportunities and developments shaping India's HVACR sector. The program explored data center performance, emerging cooling technologies, heat pump opportunities, and global industry challenges, highlighting the role of standards and certification in supporting energy efficiency, environmental sustainability, and occupant well-being.

Participants also received updates on AHRI Certified Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs), fan coils, and air handling units. A highlight was the inaugural presentation of the AHRI Award for Technical Excellence and Standards Leadership, presented to Deepak Pahwa, Chairman of Pahwa Group; Varun Pahwa, President of DRI; and Amit Goel, Managing Director of Edgetech Air Systems. The event also recognized new AHRI members and certification program participants and concluded with networking, strengthening connections across India's HVACR community. *Pictured: Vikram Murthy, AHRI Representative in India.* Contact: Dalip Singh.

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