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Definitions

AFUE Annual fuel utilization efficiency

AH Air handler

BA Building America

BEopt Building Energy Optimization

Btu British thermal unit

CEE Center for Energy and Environment

cf Cubic foot

cfm Cubic feet per minute
DHW Domestic hot water
EE Energy efficiency
EF Energy factor

EIA Energy Information Administration

gpm Gallons per minute
GTI Gas Technology Institute

h Hour

HHV Higher heating value

kBtu Thousand Btu

LBNL Lawrence Berkley National Laboratory

LHV Lower heating value

MMBtu Million Btu

RTD Resistance temperature detector

s Second WH Water heater

yr Year



Executive Summary

Home builders are exploring more cost-effective packaging of space and water heating in a new generation of combined space and water heating systems (combos). Major water heater (WH) manufacturers are now developing or marketing pre-engineered forced air combos. These emerging combo technologies offer the opportunity to conduct meaningful tests, under controlled laboratory operations, that differentiate the performance of the various packaged equipment configurations being offered. Such laboratory controlled system comparisons have been lacking and are needed to help guide best practices and validate simulation models within the Building America Program and elsewhere.

Standardized testing for combo systems requires the air handler unit (AHU) to be tested against space heating loads and the WH to be tested separately against water heating loads. The laboratory tests conducted for this project subjected the combined AHU and WH to realistic and coincidental space and domestic hot water (DHW) loads. The results highlight the attributes of combo technologies that use traditional storage WHs and tankless WHs as their thermal engines.

Because they store hot water, storage WHs perform well by quickly delivering water at set point for short demands. They deliver varying water temperatures during long draws, however, because of temperature stratification in the tank. Tankless technology performs well with long draws at steady flow rates. The following general findings and recommendations were derived from the laboratory evaluations of tankless and storage combo systems:

- The tankless combo system that was tested maintained more stable DHW and space heating temperatures than the storage combo system that was tested. Most notably, temperature stratification in the storage tank caused supply air temperature instability. In some cases the inconsistent temperatures were enough to create uncomfortable conditions, such as draftiness from the AHU.
- The storage combo system that was tested delivered DHW at the tempered setting (120°F) faster than the tankless combo system. The tankless system, however, reached 115°F nearly as fast (i.e., within 10 s) as the storage system.
- The tankless combo system that was tested consistently achieved better daily efficiencies (i.e., 84%–93%) than the storage combo system (i.e., 81%–91%) when the AHU was sized adequately and the water flows and WH temperature set points were adjusted properly to achieve significant condensing operation. To achieve more consistent condensing operation, it was necessary to minimize the return water temperatures from the AHU by lowering the WH set point and reducing the water flow. These adjustments were governed by comfort in terms of air temperature and air flow delivered. When condensing operation was not achieved, the tankless and storage systems performed with lower efficiencies than when condensing was achieved. In those noncondensing cases, the tankless and storage systems performed with about the same daily efficiencies (i.e., 75%–88%).
- AHUs currently packaged with combo systems are not designed to optimize condensing operation for condensing WHs. More research is needed to develop AHUs specifically designed for condensing WHs.



• System efficiencies greater than 90% were achieved only on days where continuous and steady space heating loads were required and significant condensing operation was achieved. For days where heating was required only at night or the space heating loads were "peaky," the system efficiencies fell below 90%.



1 Problem Statement

1.1 Introduction

Many field tests of combo systems have recently been completed, are ongoing, or planned, including several within the Building America (BA) Program. In early field testing, though, combination space and water heating systems (combos) have often experienced integration issues. These issues stemmed from component compatibility and operational controls that resulted from built-up configurations that mixed and matched components from multiple equipment manufacturers. Now, however, newer, pre-engineered combo products with matched components are entering the marketplace. These promise more consistent and improved operation. The newer combo systems emerging in the form of these matched packages also offer the opportunity to conduct meaningful tests under controlled laboratory operations that differentiate the performance of the alternative packaged equipment configurations being offered. Such laboratory controlled combo system comparisons have been lacking and are needed to help guide best practices and validate simulation models within the BA program and elsewhere

1.2 Background

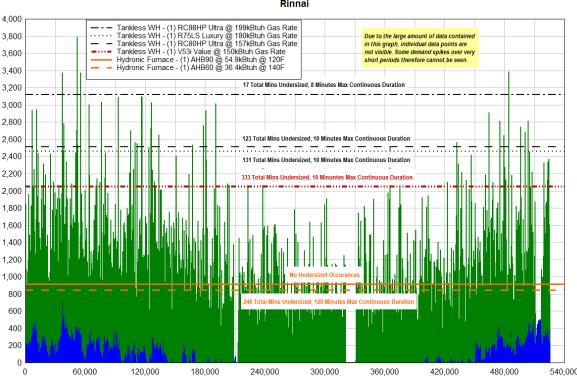
Home builders and HVAC/domestic hot water (DHW) equipment manufacturers are exploring more cost-effective packaging of space and water heating in a new generation of combos. The utility industry, recognizing this growing market potential, provided funding to the Gas Technology Institute (GTI), through its Utilization Technology Development (UTD) gas and combined utility research consortium. In November 2011, GTI completed a project that identified, through modeling efforts, technical capabilities and market opportunities for efficient combined space and water heating systems. Based on GTI's research, two combo system configurations were found to warrant laboratory evaluation for technology differentiation. These included combo systems incorporating tankless water heaters (WHs) and those with storage-based WHs. Modeling results from the research indicated that the tankless and storage-based combo systems were suitable in modestly sized homes, even in cold climates. Conducting high-resolution minute-by-minute load profiling as part of the research, however, revealed extreme peak conditions for short periods of time, particularly in cold climates where the city water supply can be very cold. During these periods, GTI found that combo system capacities could sporadically and briefly fall short of demands throughout the year.

Figure 1 shows an example of minute-by-minute simulated space heating (blue) and DHW (green) loads graphed chronologically for a 2,250-ft² home in Chicago built to BA2010 standards. For this example, maximum output capacities for various tankless WH combo systems are shown overlaid to identify where output capacity shortfalls might occur for that model. Surprisingly, the data showed that the well-insulated home would theoretically require the largest hydronic furnace available for combo systems, but that system could be run at 120°F as opposed to 140°F. Furthermore, the coincidental DHW loads could potentially surpass the largest tankless WH burner capacity. Those results led to the following questions:

1. Would storage-based combo systems, although smaller than tankless WHs in output capacity, be better suited to "ride out" brief capacity shortfalls during extreme conditions?



- 2. How well do the two systems respond and prioritize varying combined loads?
- 3. How do the systems compare in terms of energy efficiency (EE)?



Chicago BA2010 Btu Capacity

Figure 1. Chronological load data for Chicago home built to BA2010 standards

1.3 Relevance to Building America's Goals

Using the Energy Plus 6.0 computational engine, space heating and DHW load profiles were generated for Chicago, Atlanta, and Houston, which represent BA's cold, mixed-humid, and hot-humid climate categories, respectively. The load profiles were developed for a two-story, 2,250-ft², single-family house (see Figure 2) with three bedrooms and two bathrooms. The Energy Plus models were designed to BA2010 standards¹ or better, and standards based on Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL) work² that defined prototypical homes by vintage and location. The combo systems were evaluated in the laboratory against a battery of selected 24-h test days in each climate.

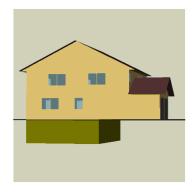


Figure 2. Model home

¹ http://www1.eere.energy.gov/buildings/building america/analysis spreadsheets.html.

Huang, J.; Hanford, J.; Yang, F. (November 1999). *Residential Heating and Cooling Loads Component Analysis*. LBNL-44636. Berkeley, CA: LBNL. Accessed January 7, 2013: http://gundog.lbl.gov/dirpubs/44636.pdf.

As an order of magnitude, 2.9 million two-story single-family homes that were 2,250 ft² or less were built after 1940 in major metropolitan areas of Illinois, Georgia, and Texas. This information comes from Energy Information Administration (EIA) Residential Energy Consumption Survey Data Tables.³

The models were used to compare baseline equipment with combo systems and to estimate whole-house energy savings. The baseline model assumed a heating furnace with an annual fuel utilization efficiency (AFUE) of 95% and a DHW heater with an energy factor (EF) of 0.65. The combo system energy model assumed a tankless WH with an EF of 0.96. Whole-house energy savings with combos compared to the baseline equipment were estimated at 5%–12%, with the higher levels of savings estimated to occur in cold climates. These savings with combo systems indicated great potential toward the BA program goal of reducing home energy use by 30%–50%.

1.4 Cost Effectiveness

Energy modeling was done with Building Energy Optimization (BEopt) interface software (Energy Plus) and the Typical Meteorological Year 3 weather database for regional climates. Three distinct categories of the standard BA home model were developed to represent homes of varying quality and vintages. For detailed modeling parameters of the house and construction categories, see Appendix A. The categories are as follows:

- Vintage: represents a BA prototype home built before 2000
- BA2010: represents a BA prototype home built to BA2010 standards
- Max EE: represents a BA prototype home built better than BA2010 standards.

Table 1 shows the calculated energy and cost savings between the baseline and combo system models by region, along with the regional natural gas prices per the EIA. The modeling results indicate \$50–\$200+ annual gas cost savings for the model home, depending on location and vintage.

Table 1. Estimated Energy and Cost Savings

| | Gas Price | Vint | age | BAZ | 2010 | Max | EE |
|---------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | \$/MMBtu | MMBtu | \$/yr | MMBtu | \$/yr | MMBtu | \$/yr |
| Chicago | 9.10 | 25.7 | 233 | 13.7 | 125 | 11.6 | 105 |
| Atlanta | 15.09 | 12.8 | 193 | 9.3 | 141 | 7.5 | 114 |
| Houston | 10.44 | 6.8 | 71 | 5.6 | 58 | 5.0 | 53 |

³ http://205.254.135.24/consumption/residential/data/2009/#tabs-1.

⁴ EIA (June 29, 2012). "Natural Gas Explained: Natural Gas Prices." Accessed January 7, 2013: http://www.eia.gov/energyexplained/index.cfm?page=natural gas prices.

Installed cost data for baseline and combo systems equipment are being collected by the Center for Energy and Environment (CEE)⁵ as part of its federally funded program to install more than 400 combo systems in Minnesota homes. Table 2 summarizes preliminary data for installed costs. The installed cost data are based on only eight installations of the 400 that are planned.

Table 2. Estimated Installed Costs for Baseline and Combo Systems

| Comparable Equipment | Installed Cost (\$) |
|--|---------------------|
| Baseline furnace: 95% AFUE, 2-stage, electronically commutated motor furnace | 3,500 |
| Baseline hot water heater: 50 -gal storage, power vented, EF = 0.65 | 1,500 |
| Combo system: tankless WH and air handler (AHU), EF = 0.96 | 6,500 |

1.5 Tradeoffs and Other Benefits

As Table 2 indicates, estimated installed costs for the baseline total \$5,000. The installed costs for the combo system are currently estimated at \$6,500. It should be recognized that newer technology comes with higher costs. Contractors installing the combo systems for the CEE project, the basis for combo system installed costs, had very little experience with combo systems. The research team expects contractors to become more familiar with the installations, which will drive installed costs down. Furthermore, volume in the market is expected to bring these new technology installations into common practice, which will drive down equipment and installation costs and improve cost effectiveness.

Although cost effectiveness is marginal at this point, estimated whole-house energy savings are encouraging as shown in Table 3.

Table 3. BEopt Estimated Whole-House Energy Savings

| | Vintage (%) | BA2010 (%) | Maximum EE (%) |
|---------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| Chicago | 9 | 9 | 12 |
| Atlanta | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| Houston | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| Phoenix | 5 | 6 | 7 |

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⁵ Schoenbauer, B. (July 31, 2011). "Installing Combination Systems: Optimized Designs and Potential Performance Problems." Minneapolis, MN: CEE. Accessed January 7, 2013: http://www.buildingscienceconsulting.com/services/documents/file/2011-07-

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2 Experiment

2.1 Research Questions

Combo systems are a promising path toward more cost-effective space and water heating efficiency improvements in new high performance homes or in existing home retrofits. To pursue this path, though, many questions about the emerging matched packaged equipment configurations and their respective operational characteristics when meeting combined space and water heating loads must be answered. The latest generation of combo system configurations is designed around emerging high-efficiency residential WHs or boilers coupled with hydronic-coil-equipped AHUs or radiant heating loops. The high-efficiency "single thermal engine" used in the combo system configurations could be a condensing storage WH or a condensing tankless WH or boiler.

Laboratory tests were conducted on these two condensing storage and condensing tankless combo system configurations, with select space heating delivery components, primarily to explore the following issues:

- 1. Space and water heating load profile matching with equipment capacity
- 2. Control response providing equipment capacity modulation and space and water heating load demand prioritization
- 3. Supplied water temperature and equipment efficiency.

The tests were intended to characterize key operational attributes and to differentiate the performance of the two combo approaches. The results can help guide best practices and validate simulation models within the BA program and elsewhere.

2.2 Technical Approach

The performance evaluations for each of the two combo systems entailed a group of 24-h space and water heating load profile tests. The profiles represented daily DHW draw profiles overlaid on daily space heating load profiles spanning operating conditions from hot to mixed to cold climates. The load profiles were generated in 1-min increments, and the tests were conducted at that resolution. DHW draws were based on BA's Domestic Hot Water Event Schedules for a three-bedroom house (see footnote 1). The draws are in 6-s time-step profiles and were reduced to minute-by-minute data. Each chronological draw across every time step was summed for 1 min and reported in gallons per minute. The Energy Plus computational engine was used to generate space heating loads in 1-h increments. Each hour from those calculations was divided by 60 to obtain minute-by-minute loads. The aggregate minute-by-minute data represented the load profiles for each of the 24-h profile tests.



The load profiles were also used to create load duration graphs for each of the models. Load duration graphs show the loads across the year sorted in order of highest to lowest loads. These graphs show non-chronological durations of time during which systems can be undersized or oversized.

Figure 3 shows space heating loads for the three home categories in each of the climate zones. The primary graph shows the loads in descending order across 6,000 h, and the imbedded graph shows the peak loads in descending order across the highest 40 h. The Chicago Vintage home category is typical of an old unweatherized home into which a combo system could be retrofit. The graphs indicate that even the largest hydronic AHU would fall short of meeting the peak heating demands of such a modeled home. On the other hand, the graphs indicate that several of the modeled homes that are tighter (BA2010, Max EE) or in warmer climates need only the smallest hydronic AHU. The analysis does not rule out these combo system packages for cold-climate retrofits because it was done for only one size of home. Instead, the analysis suggests that cold-climate retrofits in unweatherized homes should be cautiously examined.

Figure 4 shows DHW loads in each of the climate zones. DHW loads are affected by the climate zones because of the water supply temperatures. Although the DHW loads are short in duration (e.g., 500 h/yr), their peak demands are high compared to space heating.

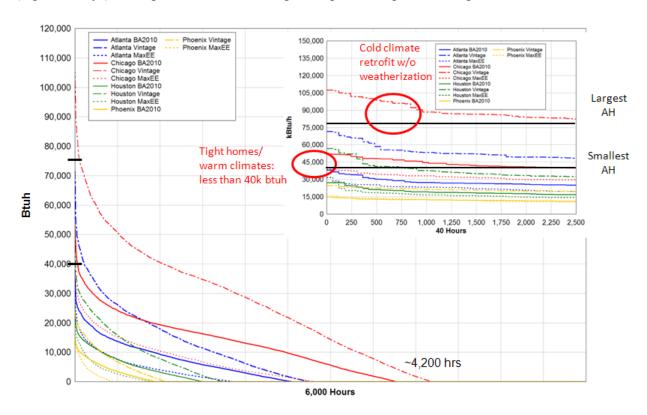


Figure 3. Noncoincidental space heating profiling

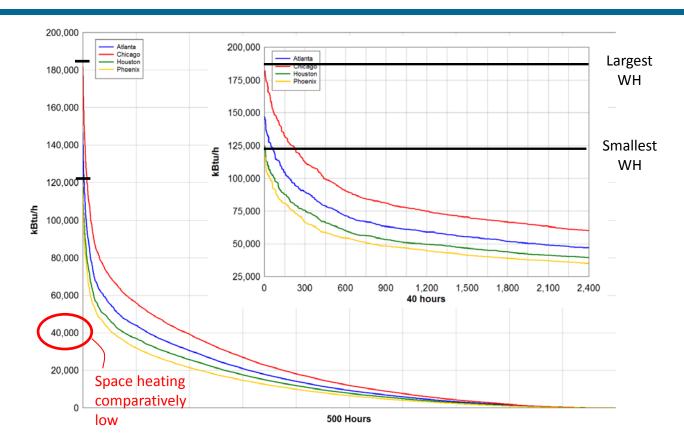


Figure 4. Noncoincidental DHW profiling

For each of the models, load duration curves were analyzed to estimate appropriate hot water heater and hydronic AHU sizes for the testing (see Appendix B for case-by-case analyses).

Although combo systems are being marketed as matched packaged systems, the hydronic AHUs are not specifically designed for condensing water heaters. If condensing water heaters are to actually condense and maximize operating efficiency, enough heat must be removed from the exhaust gas to cool it below the condensing temperature. If water is delivered to the AHU at too high of a temperature (e.g., >140°F), the hydronic AHUs cannot transfer enough heat to the air to sufficiently cool the return water. If the water returns to the WH at too high of a temperature, it might not cool the exhaust gas sufficiently to achieve condensing operation.

For the cold-climate models (Chicago), the load duration graphs indicate that space heating loads for the Vintage model are predicted to exceed the maximum capacity of the largest hydronic AHU for a significant time, even with the hydronic AHU operating at >140°. For the cold-climate tests, then, no Vintage models were selected. Eight representative 24-h BA2010 and Max EE datasets containing the load profiles were selected as shown in Table 4. The group of datasets includes at least 1 day in each month between November and March and comprises days with mean temperatures between about 5°F and 48°F. The following combo system configurations were tested against each of the datasets:

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- 1. Models: BA2010 and Max EE
 - A. Rinnai's RC80HP condensing tankless WHU with a capacity of 157 kBtu/h, plus a Rinnai AHB90 AHU with delivered water at 135°F
 - B. AO Smith's Vertex condensing storage WHU with a capacity of 76 kBtu/h, plus a Rinnai AHB90 AHU with delivered water at 130°F.

Table 4. Representative Cold-Climate Days

| Month/Day | Category | Mean Temperature (°F) | Supply Water (°F) |
|-------------|----------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| January 6 | Max EE | 5.0 | 44.6 |
| January 26 | Max EE | 8.5 | 44.2 |
| January 5 | BA2010 | 15.6 | 46.7 |
| December 3 | BA2010 | 23.0 | 52.1 |
| November 27 | BA2010 | 30.1 | 53.3 |
| December 11 | BA2010 | 33.0 | 50.6 |
| February 22 | BA2010 | 43.1 | 44.2 |
| March 29 | BA2010 | 47.5 | 47.3 |

For the mixed-climate models (Atlanta), six representative 24-h Vintage and BA2010 datasets containing the load profiles were selected as shown in Table 5. The group of datasets includes at least 1 day in each month between December and April and comprises days with mean temperatures between about 26°F and 53°F. The following combo system configurations were tested against each of the datasets:

Table 5. Representative Mixed-Climate Days

| Month/Day | Category | Mean Temperature (°F) | Supply Water (°F) |
|------------|----------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| February 3 | BA2010 | 25.6 | 56.2 |
| January 26 | BA2010 | 29.0 | 56.3 |
| December 3 | BA2010 | 34.6 | 62.0 |
| February 6 | BA2010 | 38.1 | 56.3 |
| April 6 | Vintage | 46.1 | 62.6 |
| March 23 | Vintage | 53.0 | 60.3 |

- 1. Models: Vintage
- A. Rinnai's RC80HP condensing tankless WHU with a capacity of 157 kBtu/h, plus a Rinnai AHB90 AHU with delivered water at 135°F
- B. AO Smith's Vertex condensing storage WHU with a capacity of 76 kBtu/h, plus a Rinnai AHB90 AHU with delivered water at 130°F.
- 2. Models: BA2010
 - A. Rinnai's RC80HP condensing tankless WHU with a capacity of 157 kBtu/h, plus a Rinnai AHB45 AHU with delivered water at 140°F



B. AO Smith's Vertex condensing storage WHU with a capacity of 76 kBtu/h, plus a Rinnai AHB45 AHU with delivered water at 135°F.

For the hot-climate models (Houston), four representative 24-h Vintage and BA2010 datasets containing the load profiles were selected as shown in Table 6. The group of datasets includes at least 1 day in each month between December and March and comprises days with mean temperatures between about 30°F and 60°F. The following combo system configurations were tested against each of the datasets:

1. Models: Vintage

- A. Rinnai's RC80HP condensing tankless WHU with a capacity of 157 kBtu/h, plus a Rinnai AHB90 AHU with delivered water at 135°F
- B. AO Smith's Vertex condensing storage WHU with a capacity of 76 kBtu/h, plus a Rinnai AHB90 AHU with delivered water at 130°F.

2. Models: BA2010

- A. Rinnai's RC80HP condensing tankless WHU with a capacity of 157 kBtu/h, plus a Rinnai AHB45 AHU with delivered water at 140°F
- B. AO Smith's Vertex condensing storage WHU with a capacity of 76 kBtu/h, plus a Rinnai AHB45 AHU with delivered water at 135°F.

| Month/Day | Category | Mean Temperature (°F) | Supply Water (°F) |
|-------------|----------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| February 11 | BA2010 | 30.0 | 64.7 |
| January 11 | BA2010 | 41.0 | 64.6 |
| December 9 | BA2010 | 50.0 | 67.5 |
| March 7 | Vintage | 60.0 | 66.7 |

Table 6. Representative Hot-Climate Days

Performance of the two representative combo system configurations was evaluated for each of the discrete 24-h operating conditions listed in Table 4, Table 5, and Table 6. For each of those tests, the research team focused on differences in operation between the tankless and storage configurations, such as the following:

- 1. Load response (both time and prioritization of space versus water heating)
- 2. Supplied water temperature
- 3. Energy use and resulting efficiency.

Efficiencies were calculated on a 24-h test basis by dividing the total energy produced as DHW and space heating air by the total electric and gas energy consumed by the WH and the AHU.



2.3 Measurements

A key goal for this project was to determine how the combined equipment performed against combined and coincidental space and hot water loads. As such, the test setup is unique. The 24-h tests were not conducted to standardized test methods. Those methods require the WH and the AHU to be tested separately at predefined steady-state conditions.

Figure 5 shows a conceptual diagram of the test setup. A 1,500-cf environmental chamber was used to simulate the 17,000-cf home. The combo system hot WH and the AHU delivered heat to the space as called on by the thermostat. At the same time, a chiller and a "cold-side" AHU modulated cooling to simulate building heat loss. Algorithms in the chiller modulation control were applied to account for the difference in heat capacitance of air resulting from the difference in volume. DHW draws were simulated with a modulating control valve that dumped hot water to a drain. Laboratory supply water was chilled to the modeled supply water temperature.

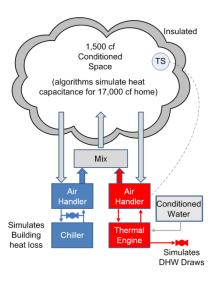


Figure 5. Simple test diagram

The test plan consisted of two boundaries as shown in Figure 6. The System Boundary bounds all but the necessary interconnections including power, fuel, city water, exhaust ventilation, and DHW drainage. The Product Boundary includes all of the equipment supplied by the manufacturers to make up the matched packaged products. For this testing, a package included the WH and the AHU. Conditions for testing within the System Boundary were consistent with ambient living conditions.

The test setup consisted of two air streams that were mixed in an air ASHRAE 41.1 mixing device and delivered to an enclosed 1,500-cf space (Conditioned Space). The combo system AHU resided in the Test Lab and delivered the "heat-side" air. A second AHU with a chilled water cooling coil also resided in the Test Lab and delivered the cool-side air. Cool air delivery simulated building heat loss and was controlled on an energy-unit basis tracking the minute-by-minute space heating load model data. A three-way modulating bypass valve was used in the chilled water loop for air temperature control from the cool-side AHU. Cool-side air inlet and outlet temperatures along with air flow measurements were used to determine the energy input needed to simulate the building heat loss. Heat-side air inlet and outlet temperatures along with air flow measurements were used to determine the energy delivered to the Conditioned Space. Energy delivered to Conditioned Space was also calculated using the liquid side for validation, and was found to correspond within about 2% of the air-side calculations. All duct work was tightly sealed and heavily insulated so that heat loss and air leakages were negligible.

The combo system space conditioning was operated based on calls from the thermostat in the Conditioned Space. The BA prototype model used for the BA2010 models does not incorporate thermostat setback. Similarly, the Vintage models do not incorporate thermostat setback. As such, a fixed thermostat set point was used for those profile tests. The two Max EE test profiles conducted for Chicago do incorporate simple thermostat setback, and the energy models were used to account for makeup capacity and proper system sizing.



Hot water flow through a modulating control valve was used to simulate DHW draws and was controlled on an energy basis tracking the minute-by-minute DHW load model data. City water inlet and DHW outlet temperatures along with water flow measurements were used to determine the energy delivered to DHW. City water temperature was controlled with a 250-gal storage tank that was maintained at the corresponding supply water temperature for the test day using a separate apparatus that incorporated a chiller and a WH.

Natural gas consumed by the water heater was measured and corrected for pressure and temperature to determine the fuel energy delivered to the Product Boundary. GTI measures the caloric value of gas coming into the campus on a monthly basis. Power consumed by the WH and the AHU was measured with watt meters to determine the electrical energy delivered to the Product Boundary.

Temperature in the Test Lab was maintained at 75°F via thermostat control, but was not recorded.

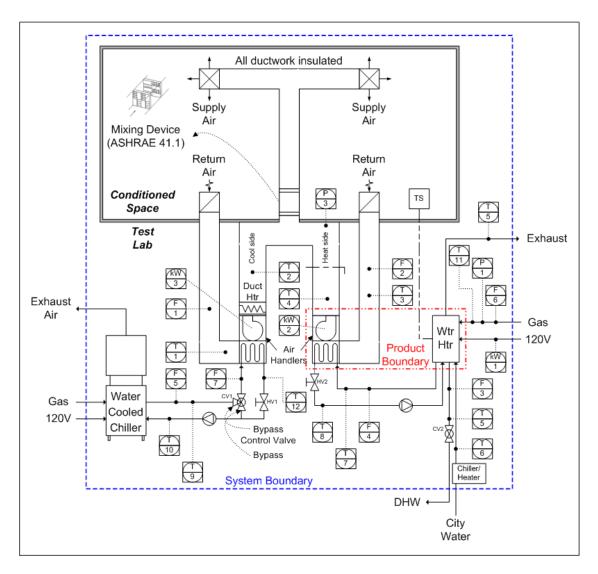


Figure 6. Test boundaries



2.4 Measurement Equipment

Equipment and materials used to conduct the tests, as described in Section 2.3, are listed in Table 7.

Table 7. Test Instrumentation

| Tag | Process Measurement | Instrument | Accuracy | Quantity |
|-----------|--------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|----------|
| T1 | Cool-side return air | Thermocouples (averaged) | $\pm > $ of 1.0°C or 0.75% | 9 |
| T2 | Cool-side supply air | Thermocouples (averaged) | $\pm > $ of 1.0°C or 0.75% | 9 |
| T3 | Heat-side return air | Thermocouples (averaged) | $\pm > $ of 1.0°C or 0.75% | 9 |
| T4 | Heat-side supply air | Thermocouples (averaged) | $\pm > $ of 1.0°C or 0.75% | 1 |
| T5 | WH exhaust gas | Ultra precise fast response RTDs | $\pm 1/10$ $(0.3 + 0.005 t)$ °C | 1 |
| Т6 | WH city supply | Ultra precise fast response RTDs | $\pm 1/10$ (0.3 + 0.005 t)°C | 1 |
| T7 | Hydronic heat loop supply | Ultra precise fast response RTDs | $\pm 1/10$ $(0.3 + 0.005 t)$ °C | 1 |
| Т8 | Hydronic heat loop return | Ultra precise fast response RTDs | $\pm 1/10$ (0.3 + 0.005 t)°C | 1 |
| T9 | Water chiller supply | Ultra precise fast response RTDs | $\pm 1/10$ $(0.3 + 0.005 t)$ °C | 1 |
| T10 | Water chiller return | Ultra precise fast response RTDs | $\pm 1/10$ (0.3 + 0.005 t)°C | 1 |
| T12 | Cool-side chilled water return | Ultra precise fast response RTDs | ±1/10 (0.3 + 0.005 t)°C | 1 |
| F1 | Cool-side air flow | Air flow station | ± 2% | 1 |
| F2 | Heat-side air flow | Air flow station | ± 2% | 1 |
| _ | Flow Pressure | Low Range Differential Pressure Transmitter | ± 0.5% of full span | 2 |
| F3 | DHW flow | Water flow meter | ± 1% of full span | 1 |
| F4 | Hydronic heat loop flow | Water flow meter | ± 1% of full span | 1 |
| F5 | Water chiller flow | Water flow meter | ± 1% of full span | 1 |
| F6 | Gas flow | Gas meter, P/T compensated | < ± 1% | 1 |
| F7 | Cool-side chilled water supply | Water flow meter | ± 1% of full span | 1 |
| Р3 | Supply air static pressure | Static Pressure | ± 1% of full span | 1 |
| KW1 | Electric Energy Use | Electric Wattmeter | $\pm 0.5\%$ of full span | 1 |
| KW2 | Electric Energy Use | Electric Wattmeter | \pm 0.5% of full span | 1 |
| - | Electric Energy Use | Current Transformer | $\pm 0.05\%$ of full span | 2 |

Notes: RTD, resistance temperature device; P/T, Pressure/Temperature

3 Analysis

The tests were intended to characterize key operational attributes for condensing storage and tankless combo system configurations and to differentiate the performance of the two combo approaches. Each system was tested against the loads to determine how well their capacities matched with the model home and how well the systems responded to demands.

Efficiencies were calculated on a 24-h test basis by dividing the total energy produced as DHW and space heating air by the total electric and gas energy consumed by the WH and the AHU.

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Efficiency = (Q_W + Q_A)/Qin
where
        Q_W = Energy produced as DHW (Btu/h)
Q_W = 499.8 \times F3 \times (T_{DHW} - T_{CW})
where
        F3 = DHW flow (gal/min)
        T_{DHW} = Water heater DHW outlet temperature (°F)
        T_{CW} = City water supply temperature (°F)
        Q_A = Energy produced as warm air (Btu/h)
Q_A = 14.46 \times F2 \times \rho_a \times (T_{in} - T_{out})
where
        F2 = AHU air flow (cfm)
        \rho_a = \text{Density of air} = 1.325 \times P2 / (T3 + 459.7)
        T_{in} = Coil inlet temperature (°F)
        T_{out} = Coil outlet temperature (°F)
        Q_{in} = Fuel input (Btu/h)
Q_{in} = F6 \times \rho_g \times HHV_g
where
        F6 = Gas flow (cf/h)
        \rho_g = Density of gas
        HHV_g = Higher heating value of natural gas.
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4 Results

In all, thirty-six 24-h tests were conducted. The Rinnai tankless combo system and the AO Smith storage combo system were tested against each of the 18 daily load profiles. For each test day, the same AHU was used—one test with the tankless and one test with the storage. For all tests, the combo systems were configured per the manufacturer's instructions. Additionally, for all tests the WH set points and hot water flows to the AHUs were adjusted to maintain appropriate heating capacities, delivered air temperatures, and return water temperatures. Table 8 summarizes the key system parameters. The parametric adjustments were made with one goal in mind: to minimize the return water temperature and still achieve comfortable supply air delivery (110°F–120°F).

Supply air and return water temperatures were found to be significantly higher with the storage system than with the tankless. This accounted for the 5°F temperature set point differential between the two systems. The reason for the higher storage temperatures is that water is drawn off the top of the tank where the stacking effect makes it hotter than the set point.

| Water Heater | AH | WH Set Point (°F) | Hot Water Flow to AH (gpm) | DHW Tempering (°F) | AH Air Flow (cfm) |
|-----------------|-------|-------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Tankless | AHB90 | 135 | ~3.5 | 120 | ~1,250 |
| Storage | AHB90 | 130 | ~3.5 | 120 | ~1,250 |
| Tankless | AHB45 | 140 | ~2.1 | 120 | ~775 |
| Storage | AHB45 | 135 | ~2.1 | 120 | ~775 |

Table 8. Key Test Parameters

Detailed results for each of the tests, including space heating and DHW load matching, temperature profiles, and performance results are given in Appendix C. The following tables (Table 9 through Table 26) summarize the daily performance results. It is important to restate that the purpose of this project was not to conduct replicated certification tests against standardized test procedures. Instead, the testing focused on subjecting the systems to coincidental loads and letting them function in an as-installed setting. That approach provided the opportunity to evaluate the real-world attributes of the systems, and it also allowed for greater variability across tests that could not be fully controlled. For example, modulating swinging cooling loads across a 24-h test period and applying them to a small test volume (simulate building heat loss) introduces significant variables that are difficult to calibrate and control. High-resolution, wide-ranged, and frequent hot water draws across a 24-h test period are also difficult to calibrate and control. The test methods used to control the parameters, however, allowed for two very different systems (tankless and storage) to be run across separate 24-h test periods to get within about 15%, and often significantly better, in terms of space heating and DHW energy loads. That type of comparison cannot be done for in-field testing.



Table 9. Chicago MaxEE Model Test Performance Results, January 6

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|--|--|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: -2.0°F /+12.0°F | | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 447,845 | 369,101 |
| City Supply Water: 44.6°F | 2,700 2,700 2,700 4 2, | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 75.2 | 81.0 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~32,500 Btu/h | 3.160 a servi (concrit) — — Ar tracker Capacity 1.800 1.800 1.800 1.1000 1.1000 | Energy consumed (Btu) | 497,629 | 430,387 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~56,700 Btu/h | 300 | Energy delivered (Btu) | 439,508 | 357,812 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~2.7 gpm/7 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 88 | 83 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 10 through Figure 27).

Table 10. Chicago MaxEE Model Test Performance Results, January 26

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|---|--|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: -2.9°F/+19.9°F | | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 362,929 | 361709 |
| City Supply Water: 44.2°F | 3200 a Daw Ar Wander Capacity a Marithmetry — Water meter Capacity | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 108.4 | 116.5 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~33,100 Btu/h | 2200 4-10 Mg | Energy consumed (Btu) | 442,178 | 447,336 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~56,700 Btu/h | 110 | Energy delivered (Btu) | 383,198 | 381,585 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~4.0 gpm/7 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 87 | 85 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 28 through Figure 45).

Table 11. Chicago BA2010 Model Test Performance Results, January 5

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 5.0°F/26.1°F | | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 623,192 | 609,712 |
| City Supply Water: 46.7°F | 1000 | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 53.4 | 60.5 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~34,800 Btu/h | 200 a DEW 8.83205 Hearing 2000 | Energy consumed (Btu) | 681,692 | 687,978 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~56,700 Btu/h | 300 | Energy delivered (Btu) | 632,866 | 624,320 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~4.0 gpm/5 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 93 | 91 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 46 through Figure 63).



Table 12. Chicago BA2010 Model Test Performance Results, December 3

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|--|--|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 18.0°F/39.9°F | | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 490,967 | 464,986 |
| City Supply Water: 52.1°F | 1500 | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 106.2 | 119.1 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~23,300 Btu/h | 2500 9 2010 9 2 | Energy consumed (Btu) | 558,168 | 566,915 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~56,700 Btu/h | 300 300 0 | Energy delivered (Btu) | 500,914 | 490,591 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~4.5 gpm/3 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 90 | 87 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 64 through Figure 81).

Table 13. Chicago BA2010 Model Test Performance Results, November 27

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 18.0°F/28.0°F | | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 609,804 | 610,887 |
| City Supply Water: 53.3°F | 1000 | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 46.2 | 52.2 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~27,500 Btu/h | 2006 0 Disks | Energy consumed (Btu) | 649,749 | 669,538 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~56,700 Btu/h | 100 | Energy delivered (Btu) | 604,948 | 608,752 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~4.0 gpm/7 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 93 | 91 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 82 through Figure 99).

Table 14. Chicago BA2010 Model Test Performance Results, December 11

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|--|---------------|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 17.1°F/32.0°F | | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 544,228 | 534,080 |
| City Supply Water: 50.6°F | 3000 | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 108.1 | 121.0 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~26,700 Btu/h | 2500 | Energy consumed (Btu) | 631,765 | 633,693 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~56,700 Btu/h | 1500 | Energy delivered (Btu) | 573,633 | 562,924 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~4.0 gpm/6 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 91 | 89 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 100 through Figure 121).



Table 15. Chicago BA2010 Model Test Performance Results, February 22

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 33.1°F/53.1°F | | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 338,738 | 306,218 |
| City Supply Water: 44.2°F | 2000 | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 97.8 | 108.8 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~18,300 Btu/h | 3000 8 DoW 9 MADD Review 9 MAD | Energy consumed (Btu) | 409,704 | 391,547 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~56,700 Btu/h | 800 | Energy delivered (Btu) | 342,864 | 317,946 |
| Max DHW draw: ~4.0 gpm/4 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 84 | 81 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 122 through Figure 139).

Table 16. Chicago BA2010 Model Test Performance Results, March 29

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 35.1°F/55.9°F | 100 (100 (100 (100 (100 (100 (100 (100 | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 338,050 | 361,884 |
| City Supply Water: 47.3°F | | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 139.7 | 158.5 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~14,700 Btu/h | | Energy consumed (Btu) | 433,315 | 479,571 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~56,700 Btu/h | | Energy delivered (Btu) | 368,408 | 405,535 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~4.2 gpm/8 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 85 | 85 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 140 through Figure 157).

Table 17. Atlanta BA2010 Model Test Performance Results, February 3

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|--|--|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 16.0°F/35.1°F | 200 100 | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 528,493 | 538,676 |
| City Supply Water: 56.2°F | | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 58.3 | 62.3 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~30,200 Btu/h | | Energy consumed (Btu) | 623,102 | 640,823 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~37,400 Btu/h | | Energy delivered (Btu) | 552,058 | 567,382 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~2.0 gpm/8 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 89 | 89 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 158 through Figure 175).



Table 18. Atlanta BA2010 Model Test Performance Results, January 26

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 21.9°F/36.0°F | Total State St | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 485,469 | 491,210 |
| City Supply Water: 56.3°F | | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 103.4 | 111.3 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~25,500 Btu/h | | Energy consumed (Btu) | 598,007 | 615,974 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~37,400 Btu/h | | Energy delivered (Btu) | 525,516 | 539,212 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~4.0 gpm/8 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 88 | 88 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 176 through Figure 193).

Table 19. Atlanta BA2010 Model Test Performance Results, December 3

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 25.0°F/44.1°F | Pro State Annual County State | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 237,614 | 266,762 |
| City Supply Water: 62.0°F | | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 81.3 | 83.9 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~17,500 Btu/h | | Energy consumed (Btu) | 277,828 | 323,871 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~37,400 Btu/h | | Energy delivered (Btu) | 232,389 | 272,571 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~2.1 gpm/12 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 84 | 84 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 194 through Figure 215).

Table 20. Atlanta BA2010 Model Test Performance Results, February 6

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 32.0°F/44.1°F | | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 400,602 | 411,699 |
| City Supply Water: 56.3°F | 1000 | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 41.0 | 45.8 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~19,000 Btu/h | 2000 8 DAW 8 83300 Hearing 9 3000 — 64 Hacker Capacity 9 — White Phaster Capacity 9 — White Phaster Capacity 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 | Energy consumed (Btu) | 442,489 | 470,029 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~37,400 Btu/h | 500 | Energy delivered (Btu) | 379,183 | 401,160 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~4.5 gpm/4 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 86 | 85 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 216 through Figure 234).



Table 21. Atlanta Vintage Model Test Performance Results, April 6

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 32.0°F/60.1°F | Service Servic | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 309,081 | 295,182 |
| City Supply Water: 62.6°F | | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 71.6 | 75.2 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~31,100 Btu/h | | Energy consumed (Btu) | 349,895 | 360,149 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~56,700 Btu/h | | Energy delivered (Btu) | 305,445 | 298,032 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~1.5 gpm/14 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 87 | 83 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 235 through Figure 252).

Table 22. Atlanta Vintage Model Test Performance Results, March 23

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|--|--|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 41.0°F/64.9°F | | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 236,894 | 271,582 |
| City Supply Water: 60.3°F | 8008 | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 74.3 | 75.1 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~22,200 Btu/h | The strength of the strength o | Energy consumed (Btu) | 276,339 | 318,840 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~56,700 Btu/h | | Energy delivered (Btu) | 236,145 | 265,406 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~3.5 gpm/5 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 85 | 83 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 253 through Figure 270).

Table 23. Houston BA2010 Model Test Performance Results, February 11

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 21.0°F/39.0°F | STORY A STO | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 469,495 | 474,407 |
| City Supply Water: 64.7°F | | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 79.7 | 82.9 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~27,100 Btu/h | | Energy consumed (Btu) | 566,579 | 585,523 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~37,400 Btu/h | | Energy delivered (Btu) | 492,477 | 504,984 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~2.0 gpm/3 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 87 | 86 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 271 through Figure 288).



Table 24. Houston BA2010 Model Test Performance Results, January 11

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 30.0°F/52.0°F | Since Show Sharper Sha | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 297,513 | 304,799 |
| City Supply Water: 64.6°F | | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 53.9 | 55.5 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~18,700 Btu/h | | Energy consumed (Btu) | 331,061 | 358,595 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~37,400 Btu/h | | Energy delivered (Btu) | 274,610 | 291,182 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~1.8 gpm/1 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 83 | 81 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 289 through Figure 306).

Table 25. Houston BA2010 Model Test Performance Results, December 9

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|--|---|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 46.0°F/54.0°F | | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 186,130 | 176,746 |
| City Supply Water: 67.5°F | 8000 | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 76.9 | 79.7 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~7,200 Btu/h | See | Energy consumed (Btu) | 214,151 | 217,643 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~37,400 Btu/h | | Energy delivered (Btu) | 163,282 | 156,205 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~2.0 gpm/13 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 76 | 72 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 307 through Figure 324).

Table 26. Houston Vintage Model Test Performance Results, March 7

| Test Day Summary | Model Profile | Daily Results | Tankless | Storage |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Min/Max Temperatures: 48.0°F/72.0°F | DOS STORM TO | Applied heat loss (Btu) | 47,355 | 55,860 |
| City Supply Water: 66.7°F | | Applied DHW draws (gal) | 12.3 | 11.7 |
| Max Heat Loss Rate: ~6,200 Btu/h | | Energy consumed (Btu) | 45,995 | 69,640 |
| Approx. AH Capacity: ~56,700 Btu/h | | Energy delivered (Btu) | 31,940 | 40,603 |
| Max DHW Draw: ~1.0 gpm/1 min | | HHV efficiency (%) | 69 | 58 |

See Appendix C for details (Figure 325 through Figure 342).



5 Key Findings and Recommendations

The following general findings and recommendations were derived from the laboratory evaluations of tankless- and storage-based combo systems:

1. The tankless combo system maintained more stable DHW and space heating temperatures than the storage combo system. Most notably, temperature stratification in the storage tank was found to cause supply air temperature instability. As water is drawn from the tank, it comes off the top where, in some cases, the stacking effect causes the water to be hotter than the average tank temperature. The stacking effect occurs because the hot water is less dense and rises to the top of the hot water tank. As water is drawn down lower in the tank, the delivered temperature gets cooler. For long space heating draws, or periods where space heating and DHW are needed, the temperature decay is enough to create uncomfortable drafty conditions from the AHU. Those conditions could occur when air is delivered from the AHU at less than 110°F as was seen at times during the laboratory tests.

Further testing is appropriate to determine if alternative tap positions would stabilize delivered water temperature for storage-based combo systems.

- 2. The storage combo system delivered DHW at the tempered setting (120°F) faster than the tankless combo system. The tankless system reached 115°F, however, nearly as fast (i.e., within 10 s) as the storage system.
- 3. The tankless combo system consistently achieved better daily efficiencies (i.e., 84%–93%) than the storage combo system (i.e., 81%–91%) when the AHU was sized adequately and adjusted properly to achieve significant condensing operation. To achieve more consistent condensing operation, it was necessary to minimize the return water temperatures by adjusting the water heater set point down and reducing the water flow. These adjustments were governed by comfort in terms of air temperature and air flow delivered. When condensing operation was not achieved, the tankless and storage systems performed with lower efficiencies than when condensing was achieved. In those noncondensing cases, the tankless and storage systems performed with about the same daily efficiencies (i.e., 75%–88%).
- 4. AHUs currently packaged with combo systems are not designed to optimize condensing operation for condensing WHs. To achieve overall system efficiencies greater than 90%, the WH must condense while delivering DHW and space heating. While delivering DHW, cold water enters the heat exchanger and cools the exhaust sufficiently for condensing operation. While delivering space heating, however, water returns to the system at temperatures well above 100°F. If the AHU was sized large enough (as was generally the case with the AHB90), enough energy was removed from the hot water (e.g., <107°F) to cool exhaust gas down to condensing temperatures. For the AHB45 to maintain heating capacities, the WH set point needed to be increased. To minimize the return water temperature, the water flow to the coils was reduced to 2 gpm. Even at that low flow, the return water temperature was greater than 107°F and resulted in efficiencies less than 90% for all of the tests with the AHB45.

More research is needed to develop AHUs specifically designed for condensing WHs.



- 5. System efficiencies greater than 90% were achieved only on days where continuous and steady space heating loads were required. For days where heating was required only at night or the space heating loads were "peaky," the system efficiencies fell below 90%.
- 6. For DHW draws, temperature stratification in the storage tank goes relatively unnoticed because the water temperature is generally maintained higher than the tempered valve setting. Only during very long DHW draws (>15 min) do temperatures dip below the setting.



Appendix A: Detailed Modeling Parameters

| Building America 2010 Residential Prototype Building Site and G | eometry | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| Home Type = Single Family Detached | | 1 |
| Finished Floor Area of unit, Above Grade | ft² | 2250 |
| Num Floors of unit (Above Grade) | # | 2 |
| Building Aspect Ratio (Width/Depth) | ratio | 1 |
| Foundation Type (slab, basement, crawlspace, exposed floor) | Basement | Basement + Slab |
| Basement Floor Area | sq ft | 900 |
| Basement Finished? | YES/NO | NO |
| Conditioned Floor Area | ft² | 2250 |
| Total Floor Area (conditioned+unconditioned) | ft² | 3150 |
| Attic Vented or Unvented | Vented/Unvented | Vented |
| Number of Bedrooms | # | 3 |
| Number of Bathrooms | # | 2 |
| Garage Depth | ft | 20 |
| Garage Protrusion | ft | 10 |
| Total Garage Floor Area | sq ft | 400 |
| Floor-to-floor Height | ft | 8 |

- Residential building models were constructed per BA2010 residential prototype recommendations and modified to reflect climate conditions in three geographical locations. See Table 27.
- The high-efficiency version of residential models upgrades BA2010 with high-efficiency envelope, glazing, and ENERGY STAR appliances. See Table 27.



The Vintage version of residential models downgrades the BA2010 prototype using envelope recommendations per work at LBNL (see footnote 2). See Table 27. Residential DHW loads were generated using data from the National Renewable Energy Laboratory's Standard DHW Event Schedules Spreadsheet Tool (01/05/2011). Multievent load data from the spreadsheet were postprocessed and aggregated to minute-by-minute annual load profiles for the climate conditions in three geographical locations. For details see "Tool for Generating Realistic Residential Hot Water Event Schedules." Table 27 – Residential Building Model Details

| CASE | | BA2010 | BA2010 + Max. Envelope/Ducts/Controls EE | <u>Vintage</u> |
|--------------------|---|--|--|--|
| GEOMETRY | Total Finished Floor Area | 2250 | 2250 | 22 |
| | Beds | 3 | 3 | |
| | Baths | 2 | 2 | |
| SITE | | | | |
| n 11.41 | Location | USA_IL_Chicago-OHare.Intl.AP.725300_TMY3 | USA_IL_Chicago-OHare.Intl.AP.725300_TMY3 | USA_IL_Chicago-OHare.Intl.AP.725300_TMY3 |
| Building | Orientation | North | North | North |
| | Neighbors | None | None | None |
| Operation | Neighbors | Notice | Notice | None |
| Operation | Heating Set Point | 71 F no setback | 71 F/65 F setback during weekdays | 71 F no setback |
| | Cooling Set Point | 76 F no setback | 76 F/85 F setback during weekdays | 76 F no setback |
| | Misc Electric Loads, kWh/year | 1, 3279, gas/elec house | 1, 3279, gas/elec house | 1, 3279, gas/elec house |
| | Misc Gas Loads, therms/year | 1, 7.8 | 1, 7.8 | 1, 7.8 |
| | Misc Hot Water Loads | Benchmark, sink 25, shower 27, bath. 7 gal/day | Benchmark, sink 25, shower 27, bath. 7 gal/day | Benchmark, sink 25, shower 27, bath. 7 gal/day |
| | Natural Ventilation | Benchmark, Jan-Dec31 | Benchmark, Jan-Dec31 | Benchmark, Jan-Dec31 |
| Walls | | | | |
| | Wood Stud | R13 batts, 2x4, 16"o.c. + R5 foam, Framing 0.25, Comp. R 17 | R21 batts, 2x6, 24"o.c. + 1" foam, framing 0.218, comp R 24.2 | R11 batts, 2x4, 16"o.c. , Framing 0.25, Comp. R 10.5 |
| | Exterior Finish | Stucco, R 0.2 | Stucco, R 0.2 | Stucco, R 0.2 |
| | Interzonal Walls | R13 batts, 2x4, 16"o.c. + R5 foam | R13 batts, 2x4, 16"o.c. + R5 foam | R11 batts, 2x4, 16"o.c., Comp. R 10.1 |
| Cellings/Roofs | | | | |
| | Unfinished Attic | Ceiling R38 Cellulose Blown-In, Vented, Comp R 28.9 | Ceiling R60 Cellulose Blown-In, Vented, Comp R61 | Ceiling R11 fiberglass blown-in, Vented, Celing Comp R12.5 |
| | Roofing Material | Asphalt Shingles, White or cool colors, Abs. 0.75, Emiss. 0.91 | Asphalt Shingles, White or cool colors, Abs. 0.75, Emiss. 0.91 | Asphalt Shingles, Dark, Abs. 0.92, Emiss. 0.91 |
| | Radiant Barrier | None | Radiant Barrier | None |
| Foundation/Floors | | | | |
| | Slab | 2-ft R-10 | 2-ft R-10 | Uninsulated |
| | Unfinished Basement | Wall 8ft R10 Rigid | Wall 8ft R10 Rigid | Uninsulated, Comp. R2.58 |
| | Interzonal Floor | R-23.0 | R-23.0 | R13, fibergalss |
| | Exposed Floor | 20% Exposed | 20% Exposed | 20% Exposed |
| Thermal Mass | | | | |
| | Floor Mass | Wood Surface | Wood Surface | Wood Surface |
| | Ext Wall Mass | 1/2" Drywall | 1/2" Drywall | 1/2" Drywall |
| | Partition Wall Mass | 1/2" Drywall | 1/2" Drywall | 1/2" Drywall |
| | Ceiling Mass | 1/2" Ceiling Drywall | 1/2" Ceiling Drywall | 1/2" Ceiling Drywall |
| | Furniture Mass | Light-Weight, 8 lbs/sqft | Light-Weight, 8 lbs/sqft | Light-Weight, 8 lbs/sqft |
| Windows & Shading | | | | |
| | Window Areas | 15.0% F25 B25 L25 R25/290-72/72/72/72 | 15.0% F25 B25 L25 R25/290-72/72/72/72 | 15.0% F25 B25 L25 R25/290-72/72/72 |
| | Window Type | U.35_SHGS.35 | Low-e v. high SHGC arg (U .325_SHGS.511) | Double clear U.447_SHGS.547 |
| | Interior Shading | Benchmark, cooling 0.7, heating 0.7 | Benchmark, cooling 0.7, heating 0.7 | Benchmark, cooling 0.7, heating 0.7 |
| | Eaves | 2 ft | 2 ft | 2 ft |
| -1.0 | Overhangs | None | None | None |
| Airflow | | | | |
| | Infiltration Mechanical Ventilation | Tight, SLA 0.00036 Exhaust, 100% of A-62.2, 52.5 cfm | Tightest, SLA 0.00009 Exhaust, 100% of A-62-2, 52-5 cfm | Leaky, SLA 0.00070 Exhaust, 100% of A-62.2, 52.5 cfm |
| Malas Application | Mechanical Ventilation | Exhaust, 100% of A-62.2, 52.5 cfm | Exhaust, 100% of A-62.2, 52.5 cfm | Exhaust, 100% of A-62-2, 52-5 cfm |
| Major Appliances | Refrigerator | Standard Datter Mayor Season 660 loats & | EnergyStar, Bottom Mount Freezer, 452 kWh | Chandred Cottom Marriet Consider 650 kM/s /u |
| | | Standard, Bottom Mount Freezer, 668 kWh/year Electric, Conventional, 500 kWh/year | | Standard, Bottom Mount Freezer, 668 kWh/year Electric, Conventional, 500 kWh/year |
| | Cooking Range Dishwasher | Standard 175 kWh | Electric, Conventional, 500 kWh/year Energy Star | Standard 175 kWh |
| | Clothes Washer | Standard, Mod EF 1.41, 78 kWh | Energy Star | Standard, Mod EF 1.41, 78 kWh |
| | Clothes Dryer | Electric, 2.26 kWh/cycle, 1076 kWh | Electric, 2.26 kWh/cycle, 1076 kWh | Electric, 2.26 kWh/cycle, 1076 kWh |
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| ogiig | Lighting, Liv 1554, Grg 40, Ext 326 kWh | B10 Benchmark, 1738 kWh/year, CFL 21, LED 0, LFL 13 | B10 Benchmark, 1738 kWh/year, CFL 21, LED 0, LFL 13 | B10 Benchmark, 1738 kWh/year, CFL 21, LED 0, LFL 13 |
| Space Conditioning | angular and one was an azo kwill | DECEMBER AND ATTICIPENT OF CALL CLOSS CPC 15 | 220 0211 0211 021 021 021 021 021 021 02 | 22 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 |
| space conditioning | Air Conditioner | SEER 13, EER 11.09 | SEER 13. EER 11.09 | SEER 10. EER 9.31 |
| | Furnace | Gas, AFUE 78%, 1.242 Btu/Btu | Gas, AFUE 78%, 1.242 Btu/Btu | Gas, AFUE 78%, 1.242 Btu/Btu |
| | Ducts | Typical, Uninsulated, LF 0.150 | Tight, R8 Insulation, LF 0.075 | leaky, Uninsulated, LF 0.300 |
| | Ceiling Fans | Benchmark | Benchmark | Benchmark |
| Water Heating | | Service and the service and | | |
| | Water Heater | Gas Standard, EF 0.59, Tank 40 gal, burner 40200 Btu/h | Gas Standard, EF 0.59, Tank 40 gal, burner 40200 Btu/h | Gas Standard, EF 0.59, Tank 40 gal, burner 40200 Btu/h |
| | Distribution | R-0, TrunkBranch, Copper | R-0, TrunkBranch, Copper | R-0, TrunkBranch, Copper |
| | | | | , |

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⁶ Hendron, B.; Burch, J.; Barker, G. (2010). "Tool for Generating Realistic Residential Hot Water Event Schedules." Paper presented at SimBuild 2010, New York, August 15–19. Accessed January 8, 2013: http://www.ibpsa.us/pub/simbuild2010/technicalPresentations/SB10-PPT-TS06B-01-Hendron.pdf.



Appendix B: Load Duration Graphs

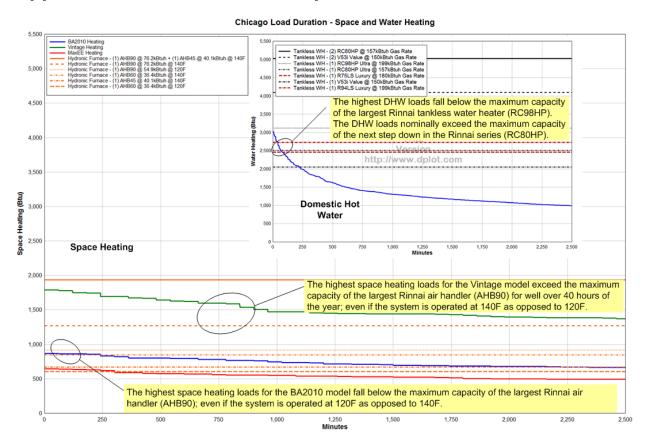


Figure 7. Chicago load durations

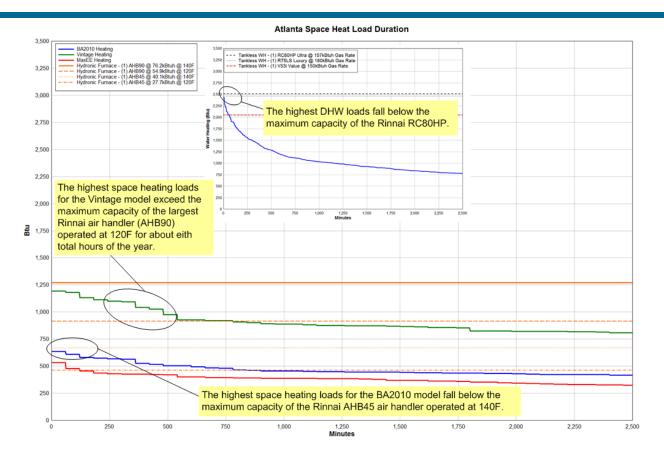


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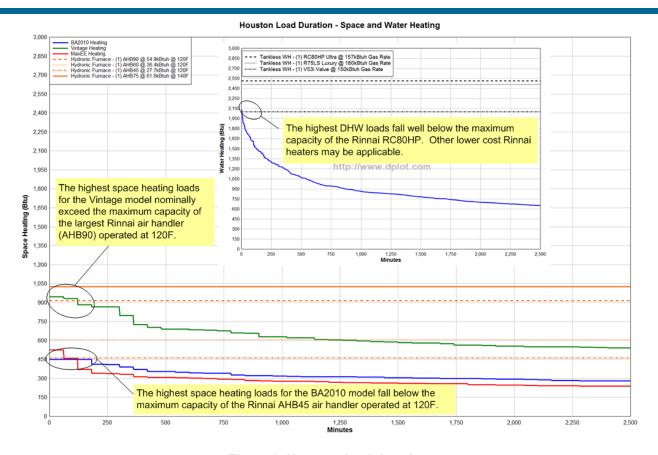
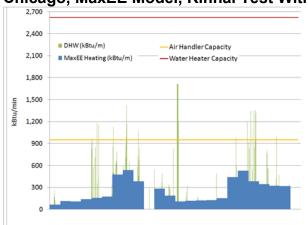


Figure 9. Houston load durations



Appendix C: Daily Profile Graphs

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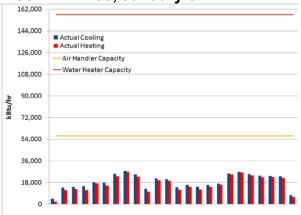


Figure 10. As-modeled space/DHW loads

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As Modeled

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2.0

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Figure 11. Actual space heating

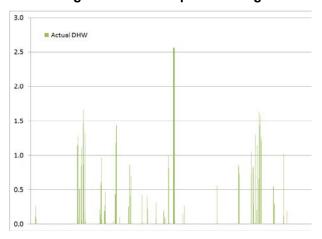


Figure 12. As-modeled DHW draws



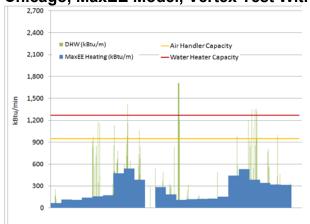
Figure 13. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 337,005 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 447,845 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 73.5 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 75.2 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 475,463 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 467,333 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 22,015 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 151 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 410,826 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 28,682 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 88% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 90% |

Figure 14. Thermostat cycling

Figure 15. Performance results

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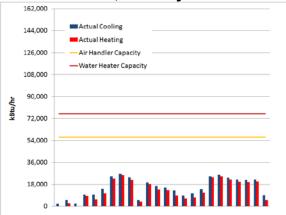


Figure 16. As-modeled space/DHW loads

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1.0
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Figure 17. Actual space heating

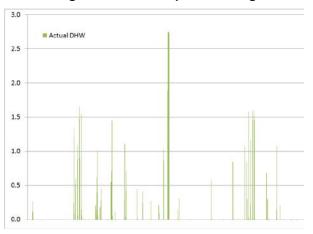


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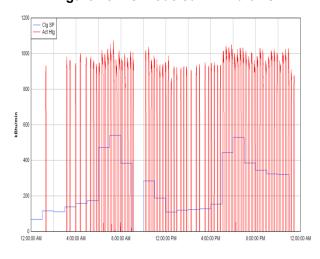


Figure 19. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 337,005 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 369,101 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 73.5 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 81.0 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 415,114 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 408,016 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 15,155 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 118 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 315,306 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 42,506 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 83% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 85% |

Figure 20. Thermostat cycling

Figure 21. Performance results



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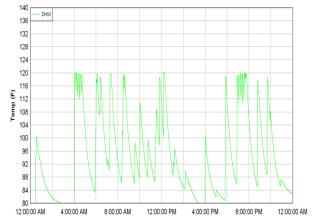


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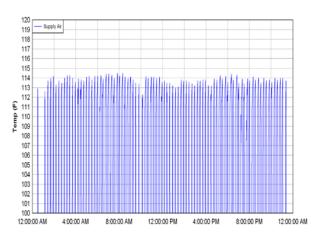


Figure 23. Storage DHW temperatures

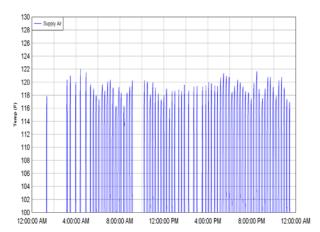


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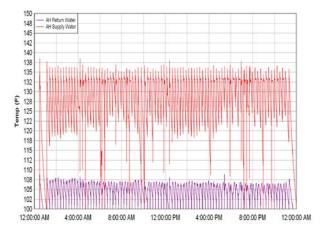


Figure 25. Storage supply air temperatures

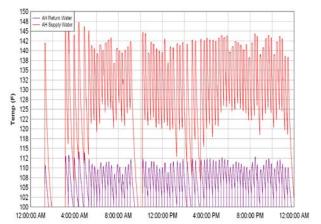
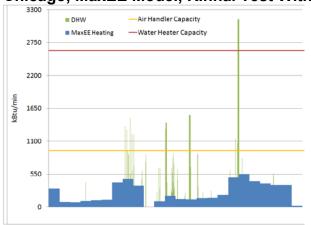


Figure 26. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 27. Storage AH water temperatures

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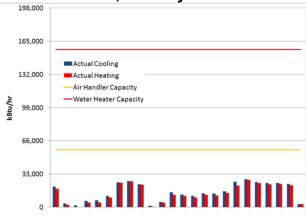


Figure 28. As-modeled space/DHW loads

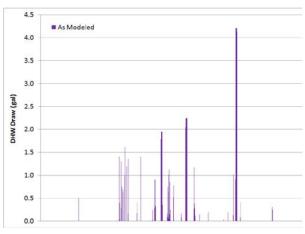


Figure 29. Actual space heating

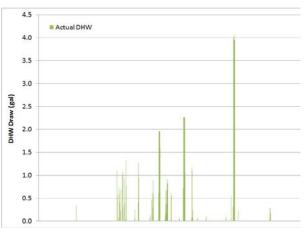


Figure 30. As-modeled DHW draws



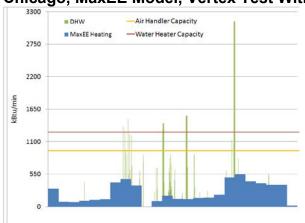
Figure 32. Thermostat cycling

Figure 31. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 344,074 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 362,929 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 104.4 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 108.4 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 424,348 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 417,092 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 17,705 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 125 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 330,382 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 52,816 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 87% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 88% |

Figure 33. Performance results

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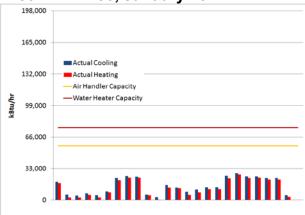


Figure 34. As-modeled space/DHW loads

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Figure 35. Actual space heating

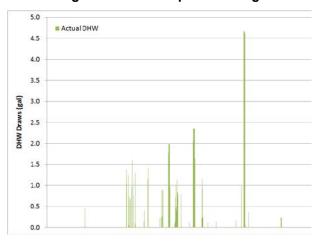


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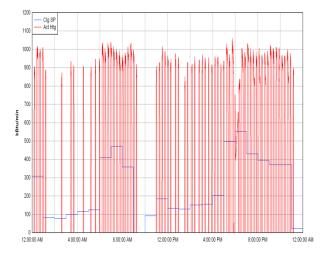


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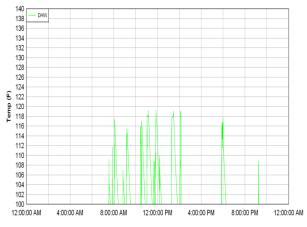
| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 344,074 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 361,709 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 104.4 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 116.5 |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 431,856 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 424,472 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 15,361 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 119 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 315,543 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 66,042 |
| HHV System Efficiency | 85% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 87% |

Figure 38. Thermostat cycling

Figure 39. Performance results



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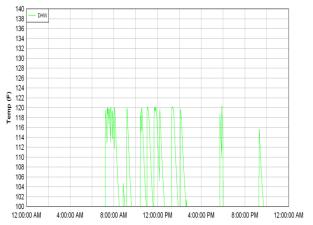


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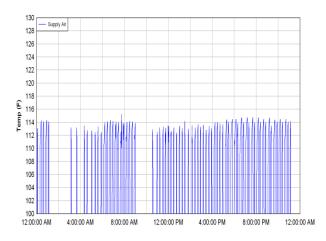


Figure 41. Storage DHW temperatures

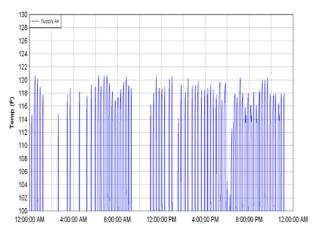


Figure 42. Tankless supply air temperatures

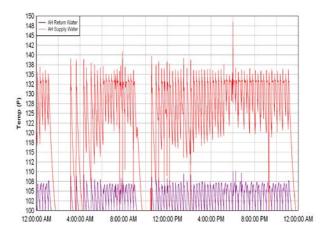


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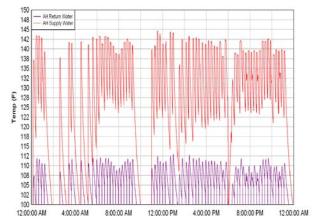
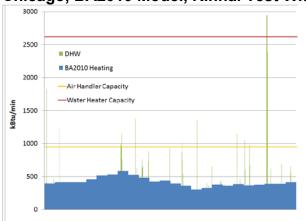


Figure 44. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 45. Storage AH water temperatures

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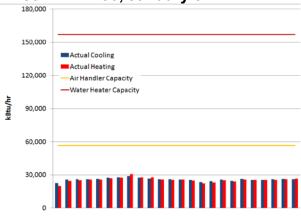


Figure 46. As-modeled space/DHW loads

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Figure 47. Actual space heating

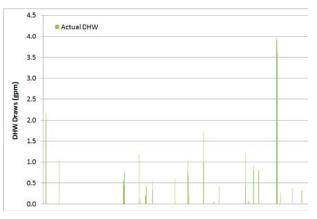


Figure 48. As-modeled DHW draws



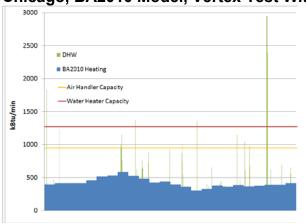
Figure 49. Actual DHW draws

| 601,833 |
|---------|
| 623,192 |
| 54.0 |
| 53.4 |
| |
| 1,015 |
| 997 |
| 650,499 |
| 639,376 |
| 31,010 |
| 183 |
| 613,003 |
| 19,863 |
| |
| 93% |
| 94% |
| |

Figure 50. Thermostat cycling

Figure 51. Performance results

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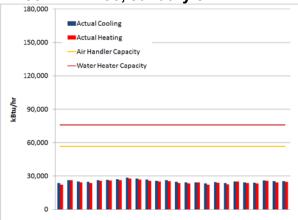
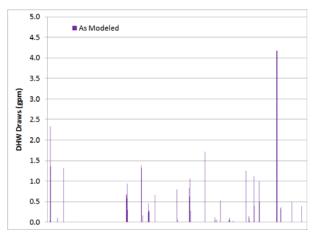


Figure 52. As-modeled space/DHW loads

Figure 53. Actual space heating



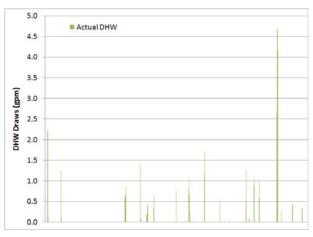
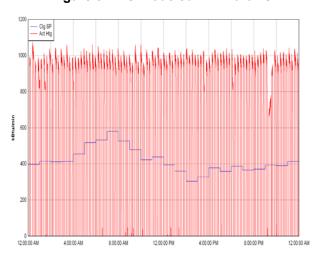


Figure 54. As-modeled DHW draws

Figure 55. Actual DHW draws



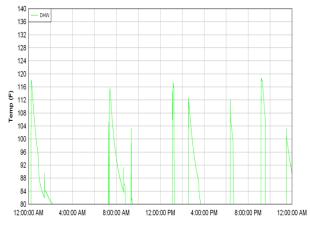
| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 601,833 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 609,712 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 54.0 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 60.5 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 660,265 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 648,976 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 27,541 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 172 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 593,574 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 30,746 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 91% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 92% |

Figure 56. Thermostat cycling

Figure 57. Performance results



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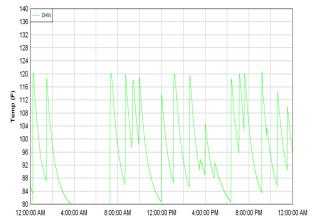


Figure 58. Tankless DHW temperatures

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Figure 59. Storage DHW temperatures

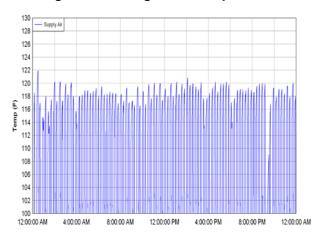


Figure 60. Tankless supply air temperatures

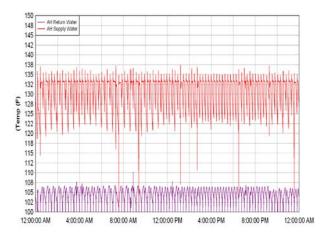


Figure 61. Storage supply air temperatures

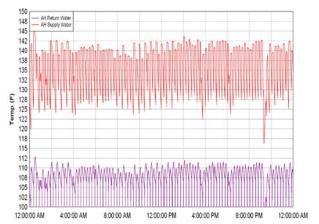
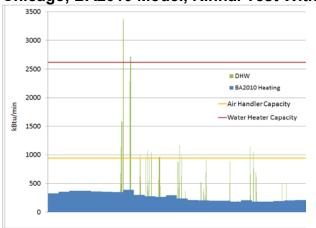


Figure 62. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 63. Storage AH water temperatures

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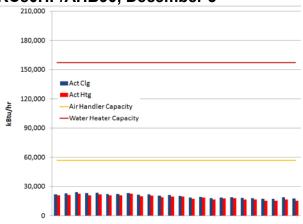


Figure 64. As-modeled space/DHW loads

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Figure 65. Actual space heating

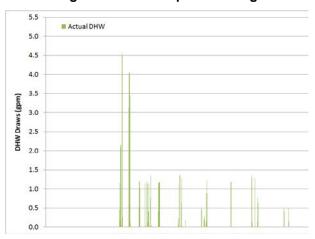


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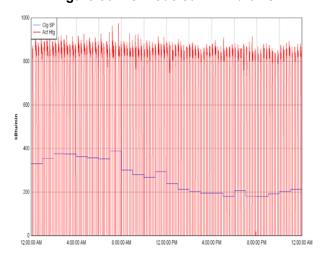


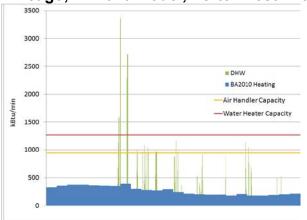
Figure 68. Thermostat cycling

Figure 67. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 386,192 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 490,967 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 106.2 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 106.2 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 533,834 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 524,706 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 24,177 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 157 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 455,878 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 45,036 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 90% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 91% |

Figure 69. Performance results

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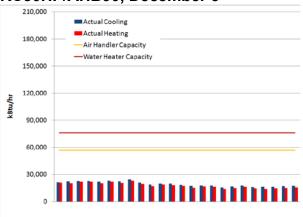


Figure 70. As-modeled space/DHW loads

5.0 ■ As Modeled

4.0

4.0

2.0

1.0

0.0

Figure 71. Actual space heating

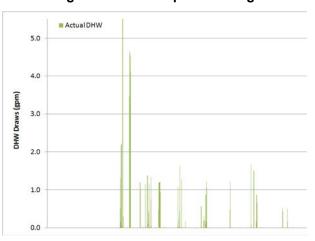


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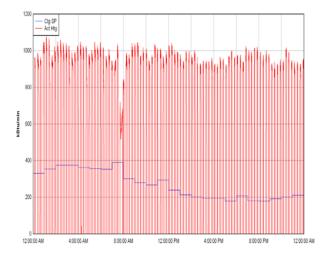


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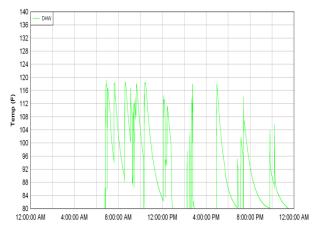
Figure 73. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 386,192 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 464,986 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 106.2 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 119.1 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 546,137 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 536,799 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 20,635 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 143 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 428,246 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 62,345 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 87% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 88% |

Figure 75. Performance results



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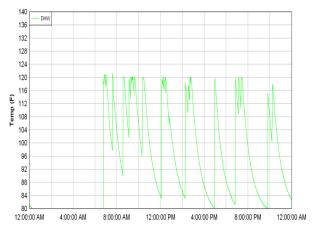


Figure 76. Tankless DHW temperatures

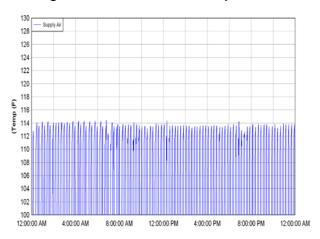


Figure 77. Storage DHW temperatures

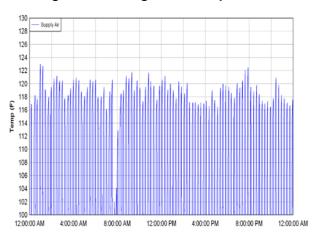


Figure 78. Tankless supply air temperatures

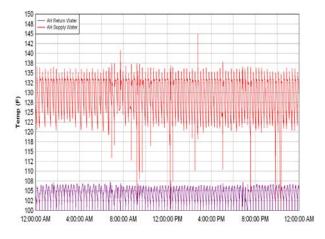


Figure 79. Storage supply air temperatures

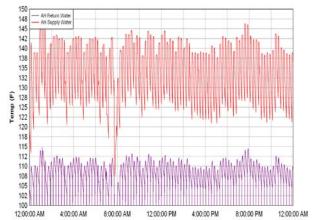
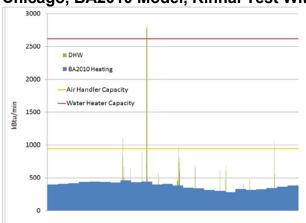


Figure 80. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 81. Storage AH water temperatures

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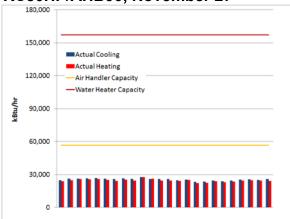


Figure 82. As-modeled space/DHW loads

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Figure 83. Actual space heating

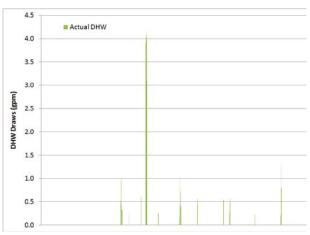


Figure 84. As-modeled DHW draws

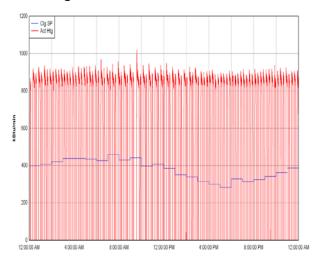


Figure 85. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 547,236 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 609,804 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 47.0 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 46.2 |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 620,159 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 609,555 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 29,412 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 178 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 585,895 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 19,053 |
| HHV System Efficiency | 93% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 95% |

Figure 86. Thermostat cycling

Figure 87. Performance results

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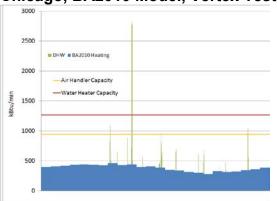


Figure 88. As-modeled space/DHW loads

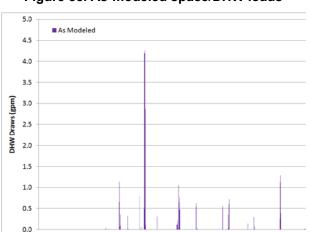


Figure 89. Actual space heating

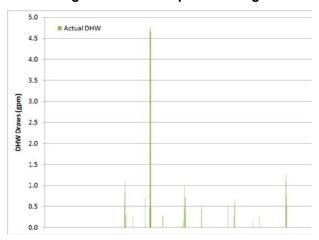
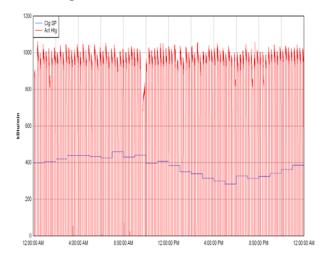


Figure 90. As-modeled DHW draws



| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 547,236 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 610,887 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 47.0 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 52.2 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 642,889 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 631,896 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 26,485 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 164 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 584,221 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 24,531 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 91% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 92% |

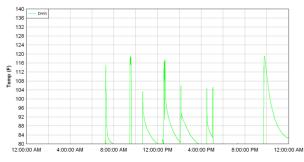
Figure 91. Actual DHW draws

Figure 92. Thermostat cycling

Figure 93. Performance results



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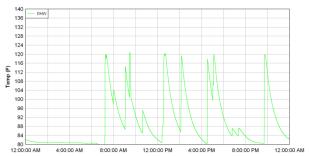


Figure 94. Tankless DHW temperatures



Figure 95. Storage DHW temperatures

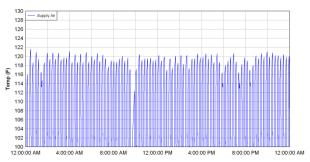


Figure 96. Tankless supply air temperatures

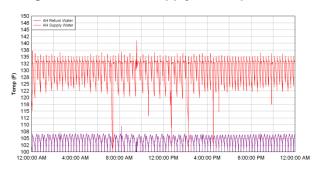


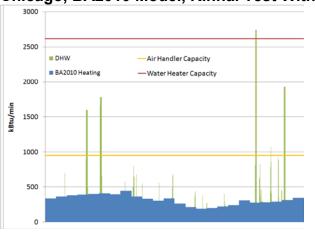
Figure 97. Storage supply air temperatures



Figure 98. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 99. Storage AH water temperatures

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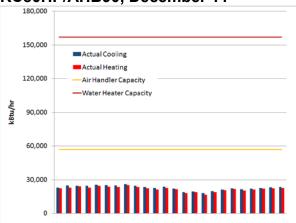
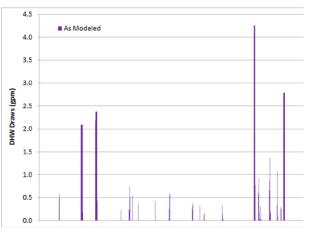


Figure 100. As-modeled space/DHW loads

Figure 101. Actual space heating



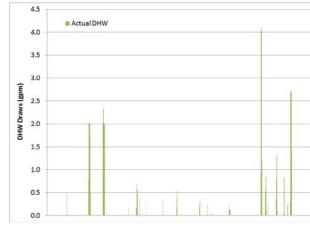


Figure 102. As-modeled DHW draws

Figure 103. Actual DHW draws



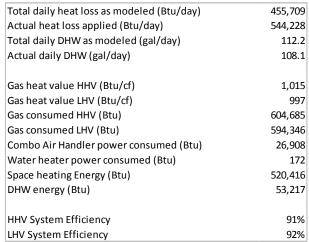
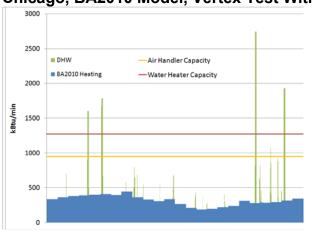


Figure 104. Thermostat cycling

Figure 105. Performance results

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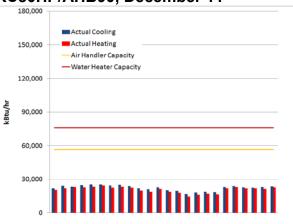


Figure 106. As-modeled space/DHW loads

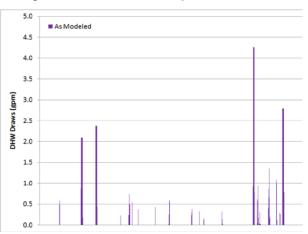


Figure 107. Actual space heating

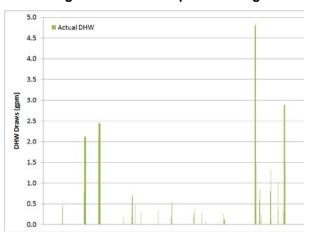


Figure 108. As-modeled DHW draws



Figure 110. Thermostat cycling

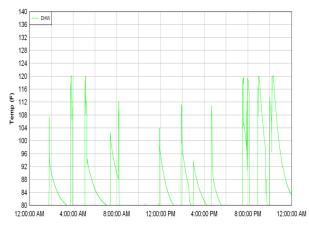
Figure 109. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 455,709 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 534,080 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 112.2 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 121.0 |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 609,429 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 599,008 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 24,107 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 157 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 498,267 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 64,657 |
| HHV System Efficiency | 89% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 90% |

Figure 111. Performance results



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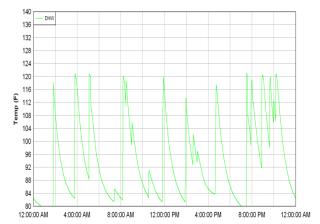


Figure 112. Tankless DHW temperatures

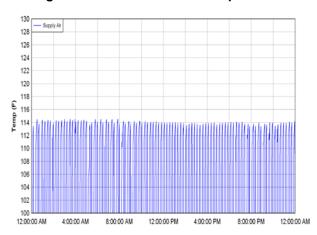


Figure 113. Storage DHW temperatures

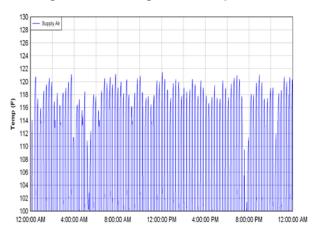


Figure 114. Tankless supply air temperatures

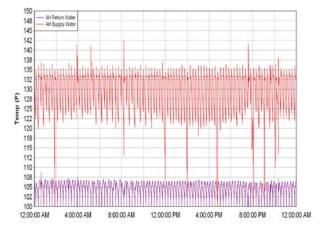


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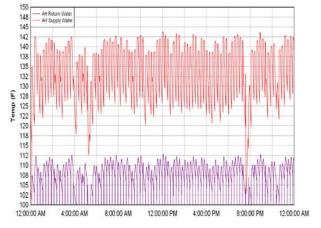
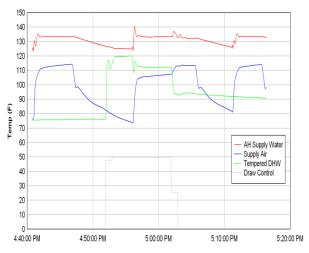


Figure 116. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 117. Storage AH water temperatures



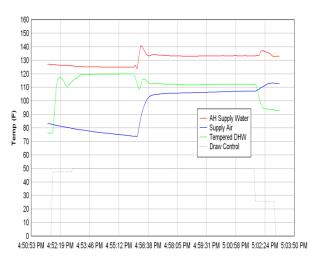
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150 140 130 120 110 100 remp (F) 80 70 AH Supply Water 60 Supply Air 50 Tempered DHW Draw Control 40 30 20 10 4:40:00 PM 4:50:00 PM 5:00:00 PM 5:10:00 PM 5:20:00 PM 5:30:00 PM

Figure 118. Tankless, three thermostat cycles with coincidental DHW draw

Figure 119. Storage, three thermostat cycles with coincidental DHW draw

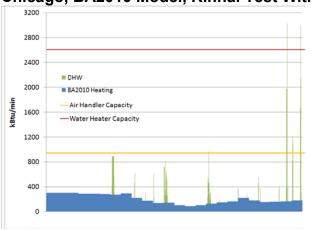


160 150 140 130 120 110 100 AH Supply Water Temp (F) 90 - Supply Air - Tempered DHW 80 Draw Control 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 4:56:38 PM 4:58:05 PM 4:59:31 PM 5:00:58 PM 5:02:24 PM 5:03:50 PM 5:05:17 PM 5:06:43 PM 5:08:10 PM 5:09:36 PM

Figure 120. Tankless, one thermostat cycles with coincidental DHW draw

Figure 121. Storage, one thermostat cycle with coincidental DHW draw

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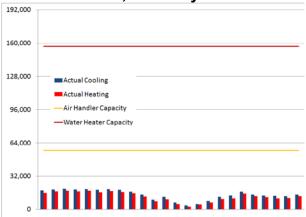
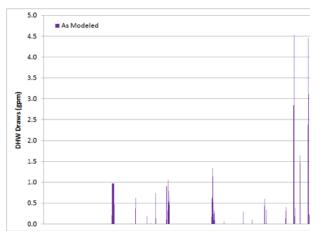


Figure 122. As-modeled space/DHW loads

Figure 123. Actual space heating



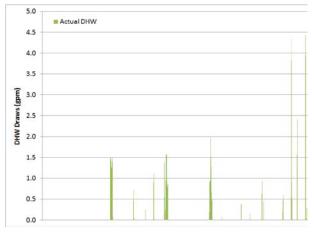


Figure 124. As-modeled DHW draws

Figure 125. Actual DHW draws

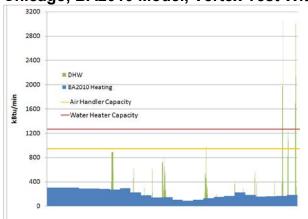


| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 290,388 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 338,738 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 64.7 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 97.8 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 393,196 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 386,473 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 16,389 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 119 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 295,795 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 47,069 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 84% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 85% |

Figure 126. Thermostat cycling

Figure 127. Performance results

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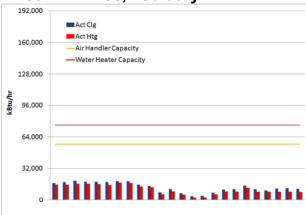


Figure 128. As-modeled space/DHW loads

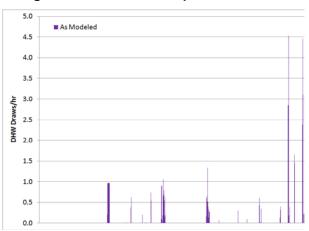


Figure 129. Actual space heating

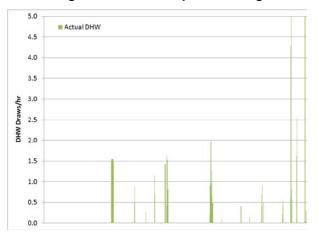


Figure 130. As-modeled DHW draws

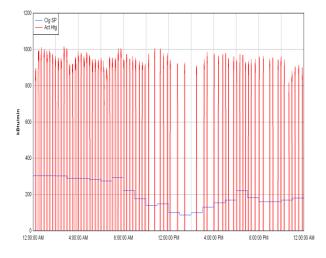


Figure 131. Actual DHW draws

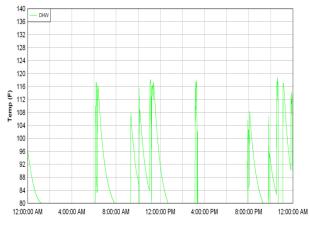
| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 290,388 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 306,218 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 64.7 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 108.8 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 378,382 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 371,912 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 13,062 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 103 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 255,490 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 62,456 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 81% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 83% |

Figure 132. Thermostat cycling

Figure 133. Performance results



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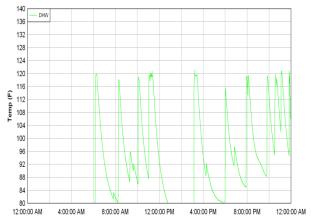


Figure 134. Tankless DHW temperatures

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Figure 135. Storage DHW temperatures

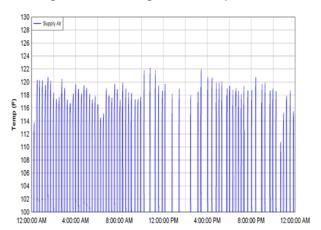


Figure 136. Tankless supply air temperatures



Figure 137. Storage supply air temperatures

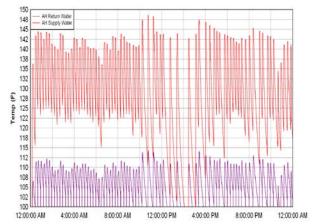
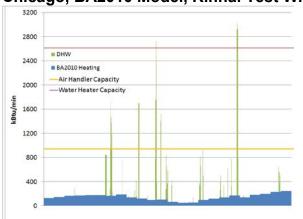


Figure 138. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 139. Storage AH water temperatures

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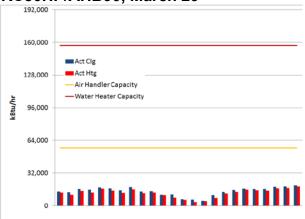


Figure 140. As-modeled space/DHW loads

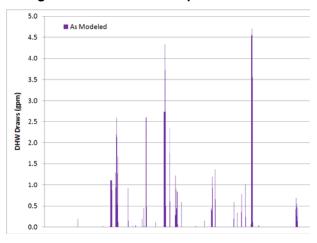


Figure 141. Actual space heating

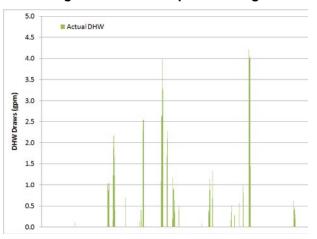


Figure 142. As-modeled DHW draws

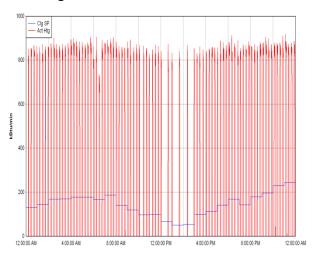


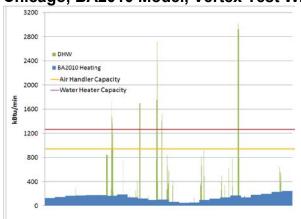
Figure 143. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 207,316 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 338,050 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 138.7 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 139.7 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 416,534 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 409,412 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 16,655 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 126 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 298,147 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 70,261 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 85% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 86% |

Figure 144. Thermostat cycling

Figure 145. Performance results

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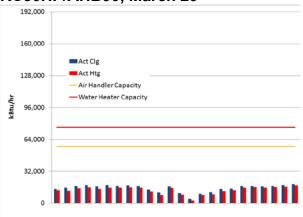


Figure 146. As-modeled space/DHW loads

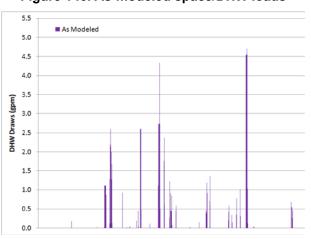


Figure 147. Actual space heating

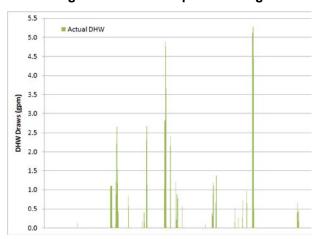


Figure 148. As-modeled DHW draws

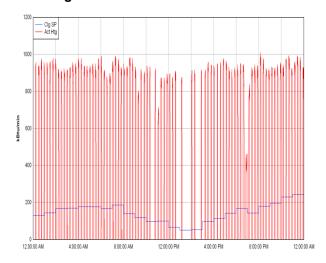


Figure 149. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 207,316 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 361,884 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 138.7 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 158.5 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 463,033 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 455,116 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 16,410 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 128 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 317,794 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 87,741 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 85% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 86% |

Figure 150. Thermostat cycling

Figure 151. Performance results



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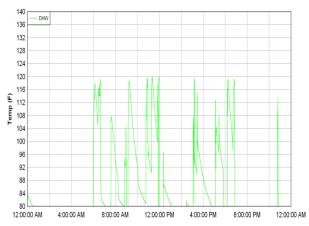




Figure 152. Tankless DHW temperatures

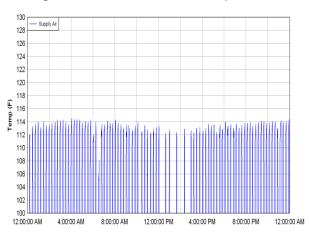


Figure 153. Storage DHW temperatures

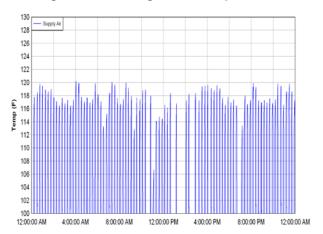


Figure 154. Tankless supply air temperatures

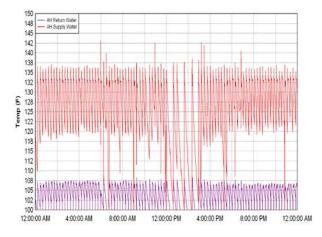


Figure 155. Storage supply air temperatures

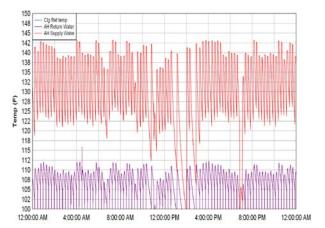
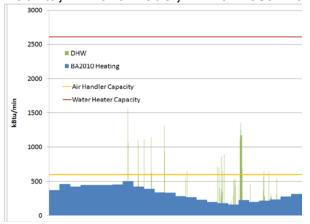


Figure 156. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 157. Storage AH water temperatures

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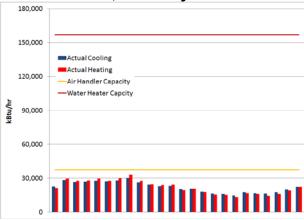
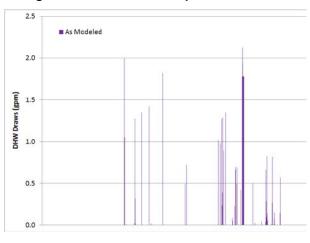


Figure 158. As-modeled space/DHW loads

Figure 159. Actual space heating



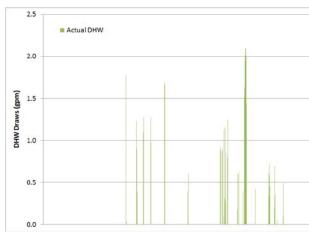
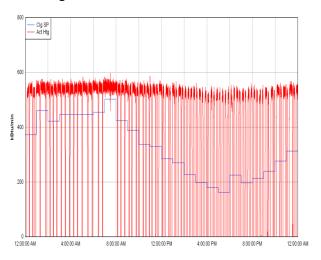


Figure 160. As-modeled DHW draws

Figure 161. Actual DHW draws

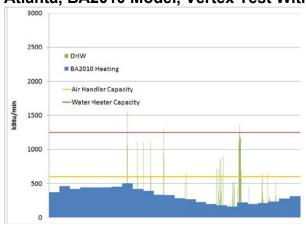


| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 468,866 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 528,493 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 53.2 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 58.3 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 599,028 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 588,786 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 23,837 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 237 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 531,425 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 20,633 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 89% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 90% |

Figure 162. Thermostat cycling

Figure 163. Performance results

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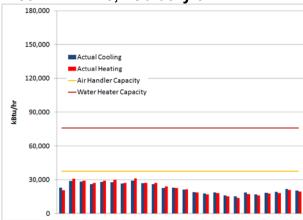
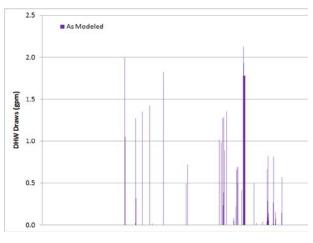


Figure 164. As-modeled space/DHW loads

Figure 165. Actual space heating



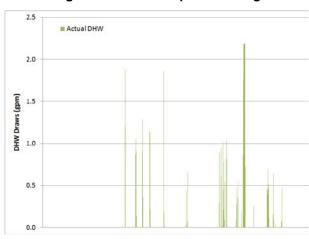
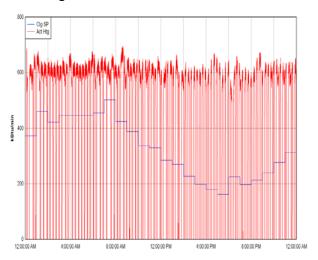


Figure 166. As-modeled DHW draws

Figure 167. Actual DHW draws



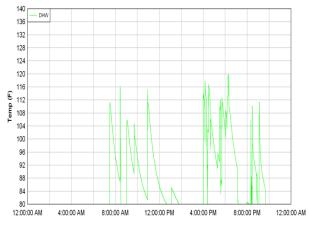
| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 468,866 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 538,676 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 53.2 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 62.3 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 618,891 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 608,309 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 21,709 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 223 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 539,743 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 27,639 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 89% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 90% |

Figure 168. Thermostat cycling

Figure 169. Performance results



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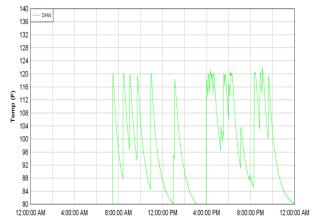


Figure 170. Tankless DHW temperatures

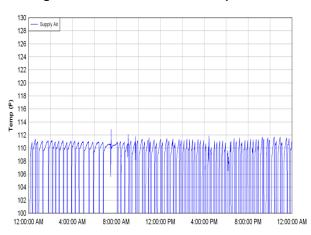


Figure 171. Storage DHW temperatures

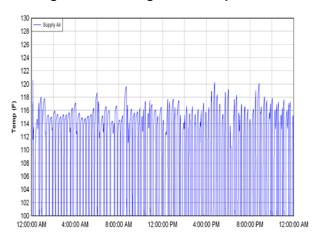


Figure 172. Tankless supply air temperatures

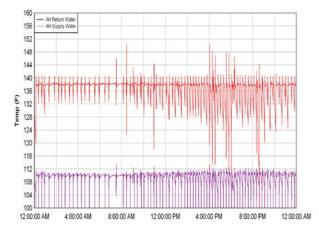


Figure 173. Storage supply air temperatures

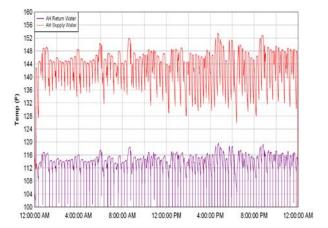
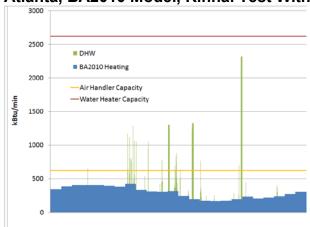


Figure 174. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 175. Storage AH water temperatures

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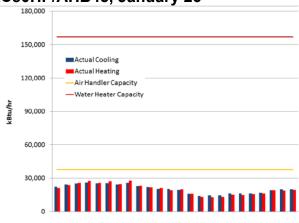


Figure 176. As-modeled space/DHW loads

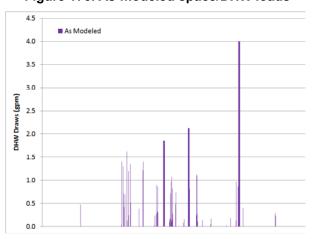


Figure 177. Actual space heating

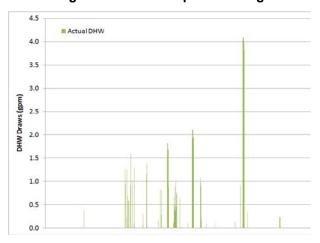


Figure 178. As-modeled DHW draws

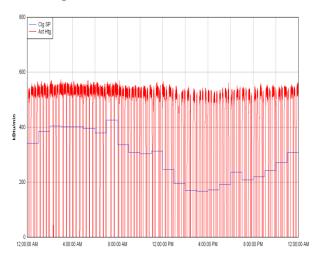


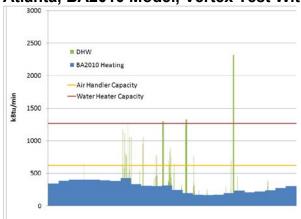
Figure 180. Thermostat cycling

Figure 179. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 421,270 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 485,469 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 100.0 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 103.4 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 575,614 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 565,772 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 22,166 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 227 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 481,344 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 44,172 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 88% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 89% |

Figure 181. Performance results

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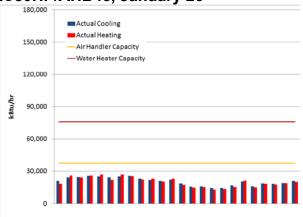


Figure 182. As-modeled space/DHW loads

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Figure 183. Actual space heating

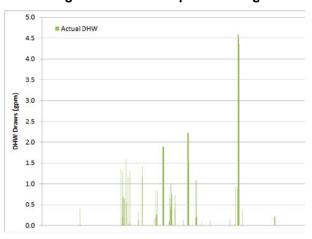


Figure 184. As-modeled DHW draws

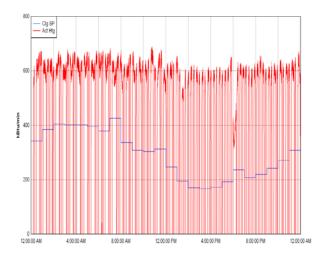


Figure 186. Thermostat cycling

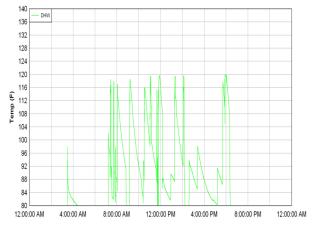
Figure 185. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 421,270 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 491,210 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 100.0 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 111.3 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 596,086 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 585,893 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 19,681 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 207 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 484,352 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 54,860 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 88% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 89% |

Figure 187. Performance results



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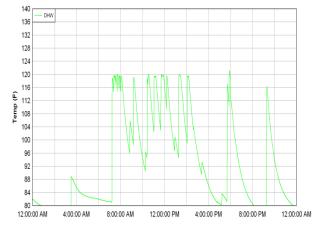


Figure 188. Tankless DHW temperatures

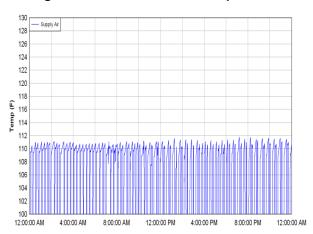


Figure 189. Storage DHW temperatures

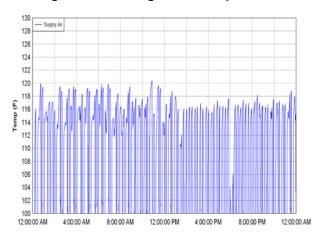


Figure 190. Tankless supply air temperatures

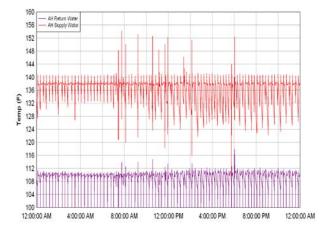


Figure 191. Storage supply air temperatures

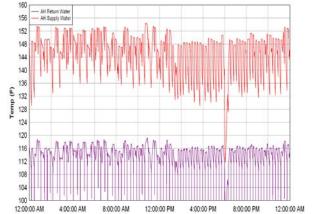
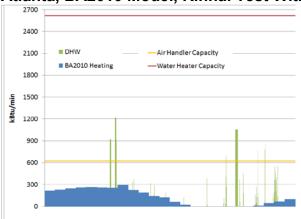


Figure 192. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 193. Storage AH water temperatures

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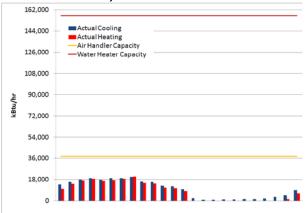
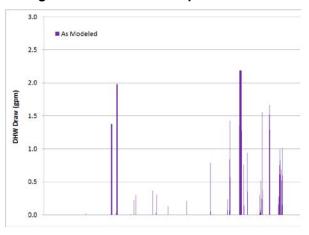


Figure 194. As-modeled space/DHW loads

Figure 195. Actual space heating



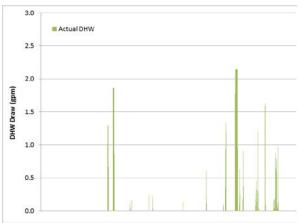
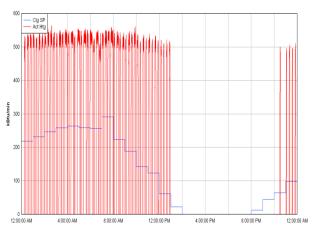


Figure 196. As-modeled DHW draws

Figure 197. Actual DHW draws



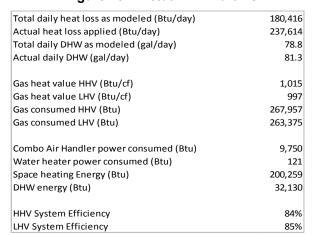
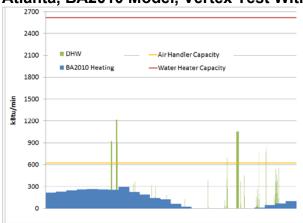


Figure 198. Thermostat cycling

Figure 199. Performance results

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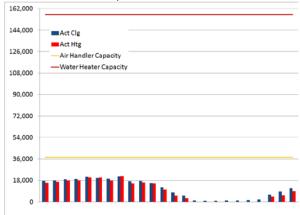


Figure 200. As-modeled space/DHW loads

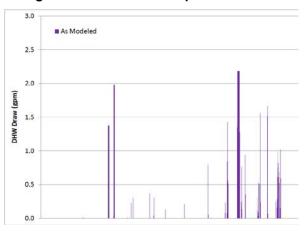


Figure 201. Actual space heating

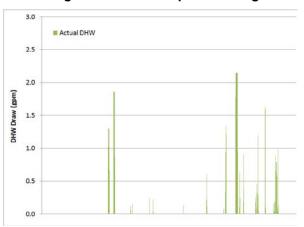


Figure 202. As-modeled DHW draws

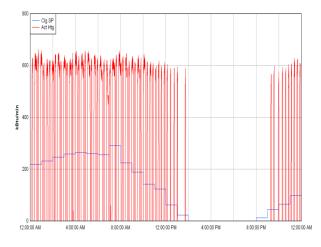


Figure 203. Actual DHW draws

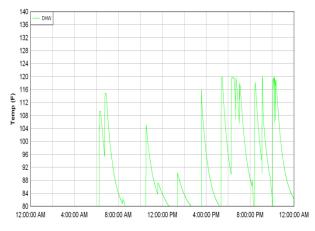
| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 180,416 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 266,762 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 78.8 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 83.9 |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 313,821 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 308,455 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 9,926 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 124 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 235,355 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 37,216 |
| HHV System Efficiency | 84% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 86% |

Figure 204. Thermostat cycling

Figure 205. Performance results



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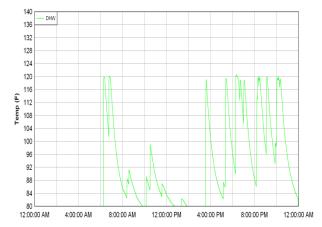


Figure 206. Tankless DHW temperatures

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Figure 207. Storage DHW temperatures

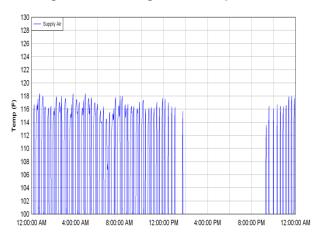


Figure 208. Tankless supply air temperatures

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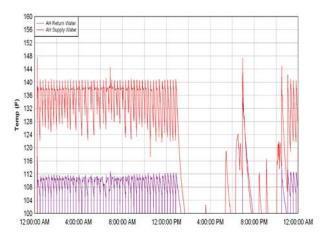


Figure 209. Storage supply air temperatures

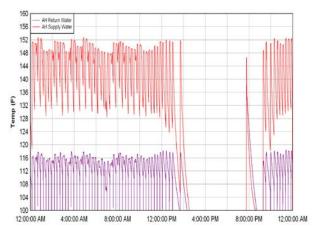
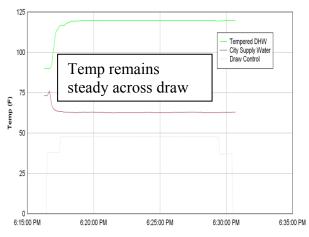


Figure 210. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 211. Storage AH water temperatures



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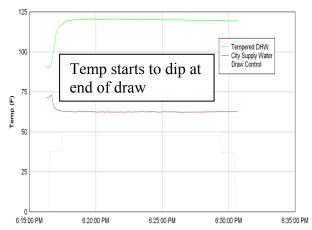


Figure 212. Tankless 12-min DHW draw

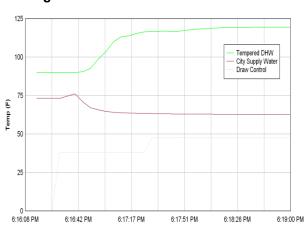


Figure 213. Storage 12-min DHW draw

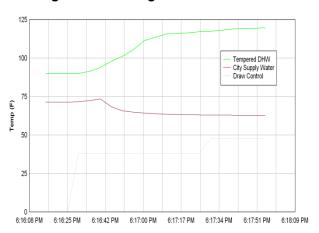


Figure 214. Tankless 12-min DHW warm-up

Figure 215. Storage 12-min DHW warm-up

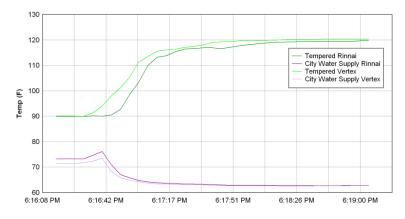
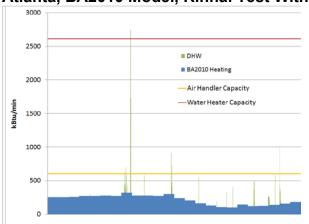


Figure 216. 12-min DHW draw comparison

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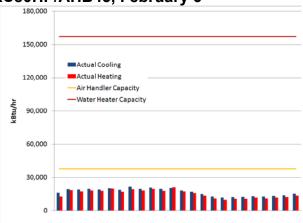


Figure 217. As-modeled space/DHW loads

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Figure 218. Actual space heating

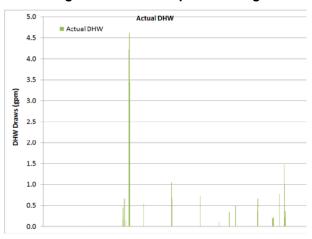


Figure 219. As-modeled DHW draws

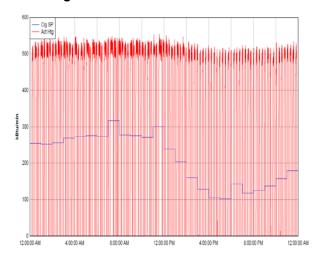


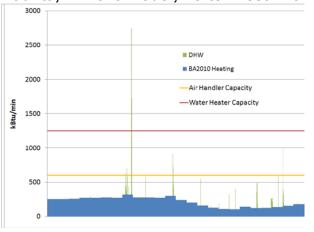
Figure 221. Thermostat cycling

Figure 220. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 305,440 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 400,602 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 39.5 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 41.0 |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 424,449 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 417,192 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 17,853 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 187 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 364,343 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 14,840 |
| HHV System Efficiency | 86% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 87% |

Figure 222. Performance results

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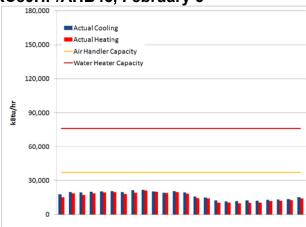
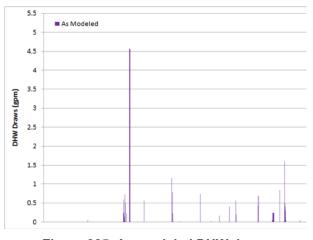


Figure 223. As-modeled space/DHW loads

Figure 224. Actual space heating



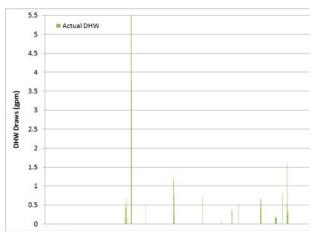
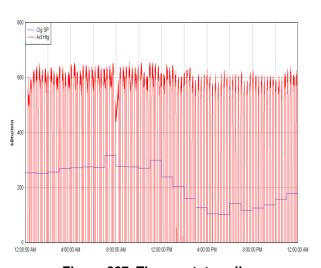


Figure 225. As-modeled DHW draws

Figure 226. Actual DHW draws



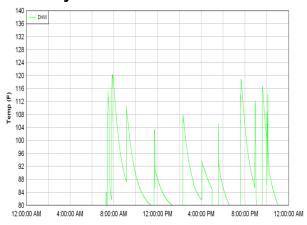
| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 305,440 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 411,699 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 39.5 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 45.8 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 453,951 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 446,189 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 15,905 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 173 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 379,813 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 21,347 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 85% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 87% |

Figure 227. Thermostat cycling

Figure 228. Performance results



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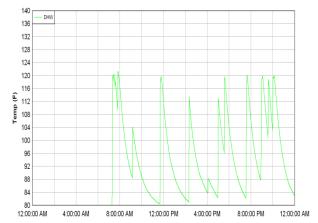


Figure 229. Tankless DHW temperatures

Figure 230. Storage DHW temperatures

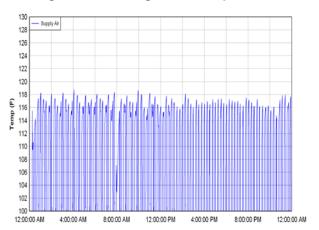


Figure 231. Tankless supply air temperatures

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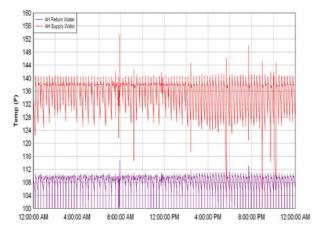


Figure 232. Storage supply air temperatures

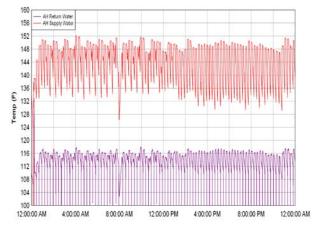
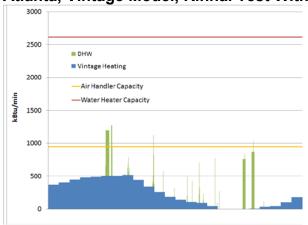


Figure 233. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 234. Storage AH water temperatures

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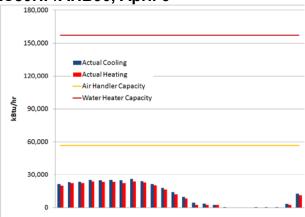


Figure 235. As-modeled space/DHW loads

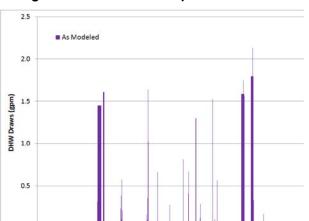


Figure 236. Actual space heating

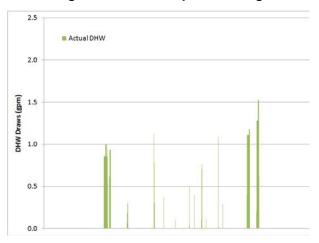


Figure 237. As-modeled DHW draws

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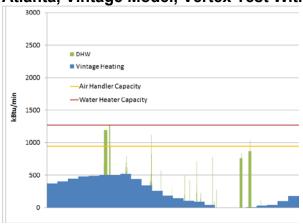
Figure 238. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 340,796 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 309,081 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 104.3 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 71.6 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 335,206 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 329,475 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 14,582 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 107 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 282,817 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 22,628 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 87% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 89% |

Figure 239. Thermostat cycling

Figure 240. Performance results

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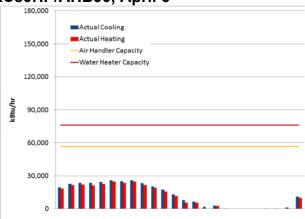


Figure 241. As-modeled space/DHW loads

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Figure 242. Actual space heating

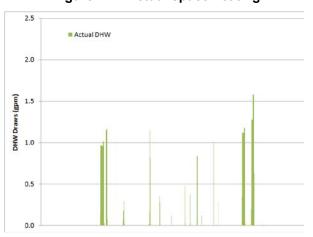


Figure 243. As-modeled DHW draws

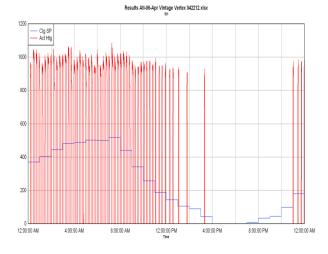


Figure 244. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 340,796 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 295,182 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 104.3 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 75.2 |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 347,383 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 341,443 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 12,667 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 99 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 269,225 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 28,807 |
| HHV System Efficiency | 83% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 84% |

Figure 245. Thermostat cycling

Figure 246. Performance results



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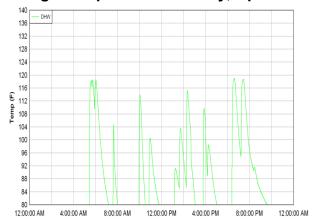


Figure 247. Tankless DHW temperatures

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Figure 248. Storage DHW temperatures

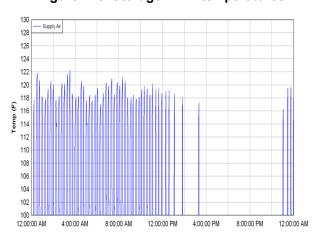


Figure 249. Tankless supply air temperatures

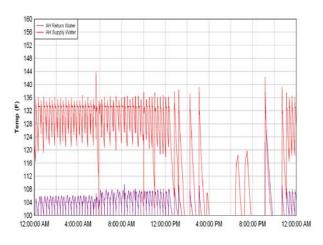


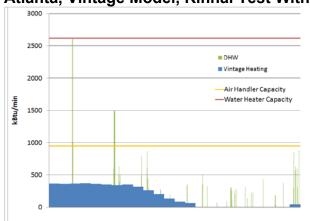
Figure 250. Storage supply air temperatures



Figure 251. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 252. Storage AH water temperatures

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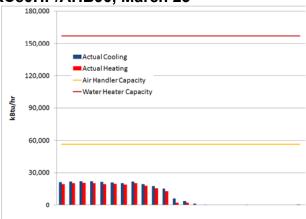


Figure 253. As-modeled space/DHW loads

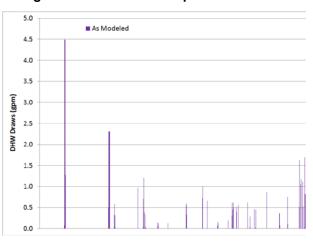


Figure 254. Actual space heating

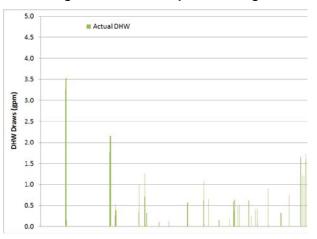


Figure 255. As-modeled DHW draws

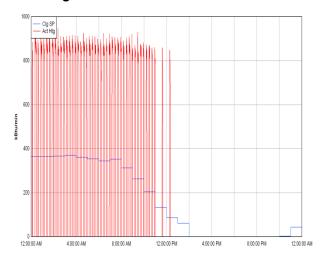


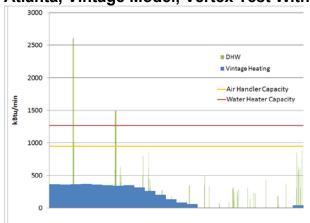
Figure 256. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 238,858 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 236,894 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 71.2 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 74.3 |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 265,369 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 260,832 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 10,875 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 95 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 210,500 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 25,645 |
| HHV System Efficiency | 85% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 87% |

Figure 257. Thermostat cycling

Figure 258. Performance results

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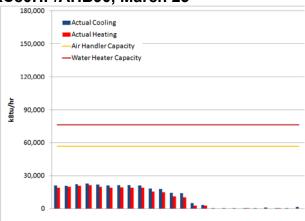


Figure 259. As-modeled space/DHW loads

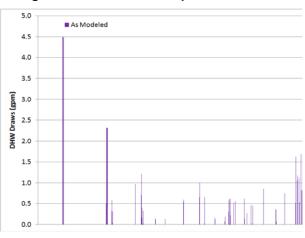


Figure 260. Actual space heating

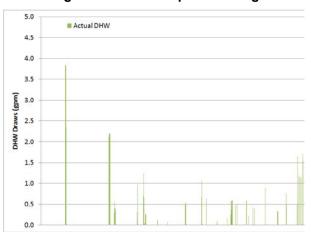


Figure 261. As-modeled DHW draws

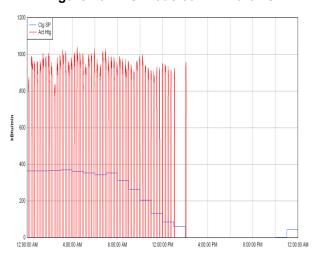


Figure 262. Actual DHW draws

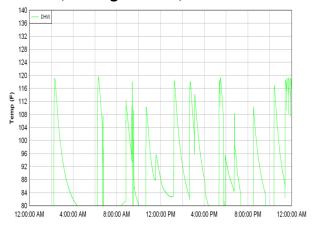
| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 238,858 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 271,582 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 71.2 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 75.1 |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 307,556 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 302,297 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 11,185 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 99 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 234,348 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 31,058 |
| HHV System Efficiency | 83% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 85% |

Figure 263. Thermostat cycling

Figure 264. Performance results



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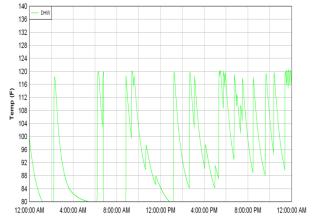
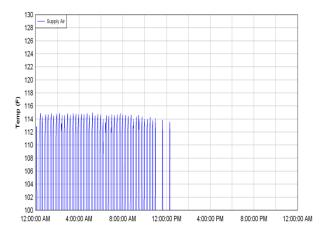


Figure 265. Tankless DHW temperatures

Figure 266. Storage DHW temperatures



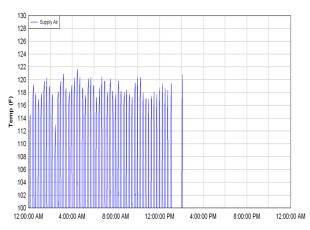
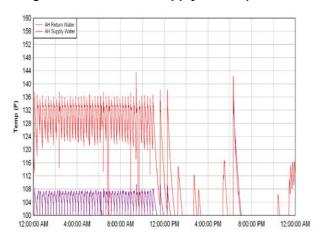


Figure 267. Tankless supply air temperatures

Figure 268. Storage supply air temperatures



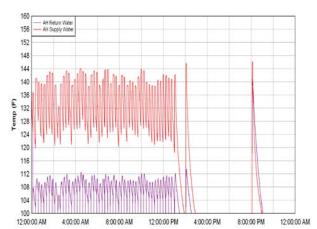


Figure 269. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 270. Storage AH water temperatures

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DHW Draws (gpm) 2.0 As Modeled

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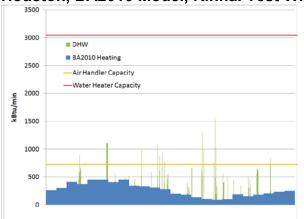


Figure 271. As-modeled space/DHW loads



Figure 273. As-modeled DHW draws

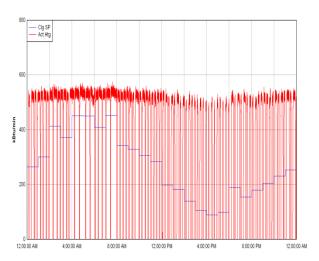


Figure 275. Thermostat cycling

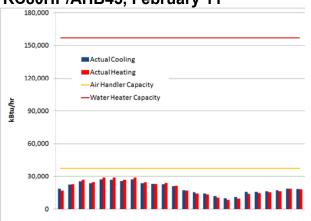


Figure 272. Actual space heating

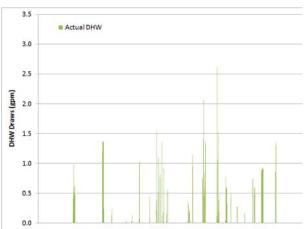
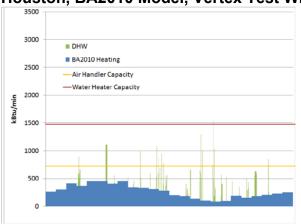


Figure 274. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 383,314 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 469,495 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 77.5 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 79.7 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 544,539 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 535,228 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 21,817 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 223 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 468,237 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 24,240 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 87% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 88% |

Figure 276. Performance results

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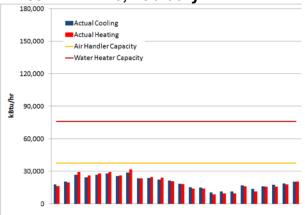


Figure 277. As-modeled space/DHW loads

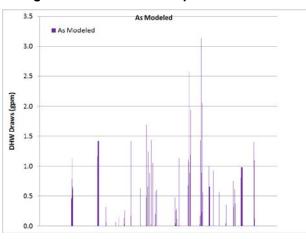


Figure 278. Actual space heating

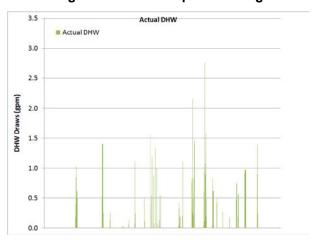


Figure 279. As-modeled DHW draws

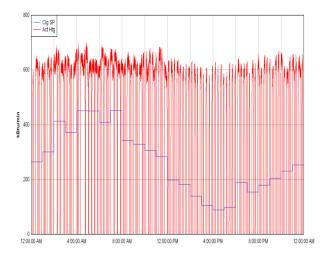


Figure 280. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 383,314 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 474,407 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 77.5 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 82.9 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 566,406 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 556,721 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 18,913 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 204 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 471,160 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 33,824 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 86% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 88% |

Figure 281. Thermostat cycling

Figure 282. Performance results



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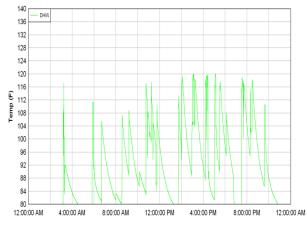




Figure 283. Tankless DHW temperatures

Figure 284. Storage DHW temperatures

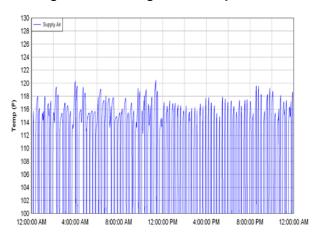


Figure 285. Tankless supply air temperatures

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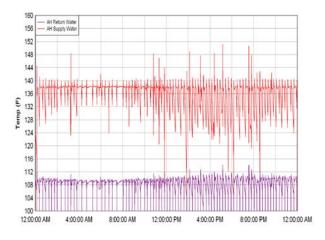


Figure 286. Storage supply air temperatures

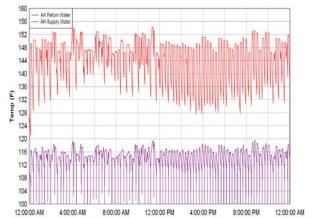
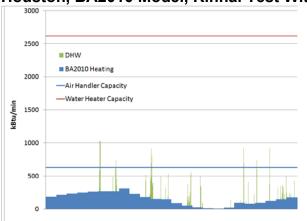


Figure 287. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 288. Storage AH water temperatures

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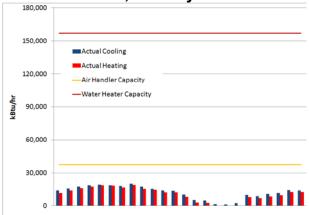


Figure 289. As-modeled space/DHW loads

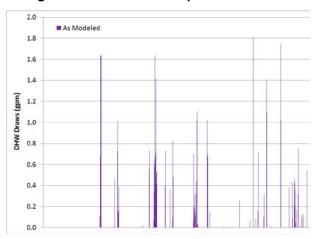


Figure 290. Actual space heating

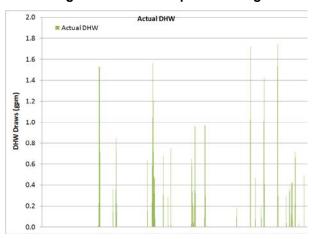


Figure 291. As-modeled DHW draws



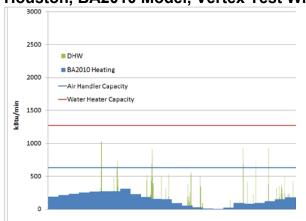
Figure 292. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 217,373 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 297,513 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 50.2 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 53.9 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 318,387 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 312,943 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 12,525 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 149 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 258,691 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 15,919 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 83% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 84% |

Figure 293. Thermostat cycling

Figure 294. Performance results

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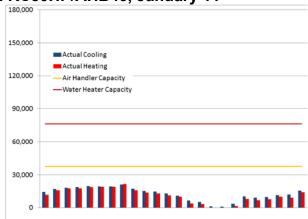


Figure 295. As-modeled space/DHW loads

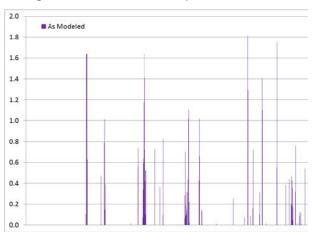


Figure 296. Actual space heating

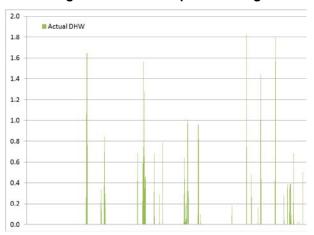


Figure 297. As-modeled DHW draws



Figure 299. Thermostat cycling

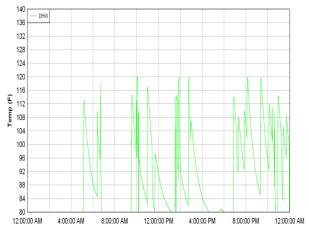
Figure 298. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 217,373 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 304,799 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 50.2 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 55.5 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 346,977 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 341,044 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 11,473 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 145 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 269,511 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 21,671 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 81% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 83% |

Figure 300. Performance results



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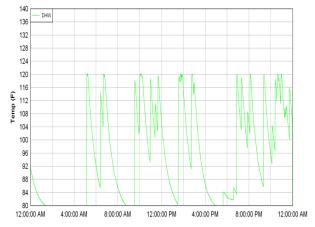
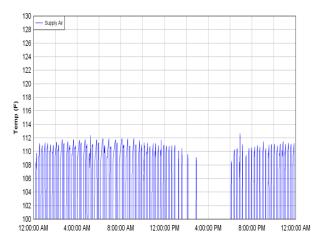


Figure 301. Tankless DHW temperatures

Figure 302. Storage DHW temperatures



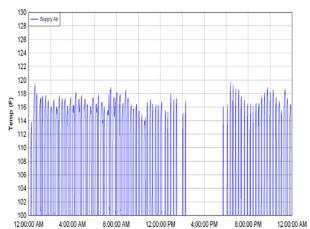
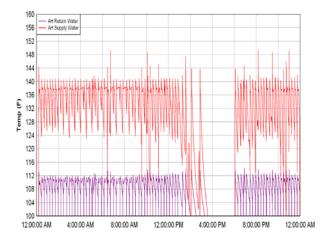


Figure 303. Tankless supply air temperatures

Figure 304. Storage supply air temperatures



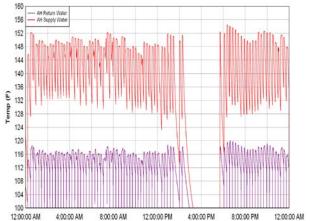


Figure 305. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 306. Storage AH water temperatures

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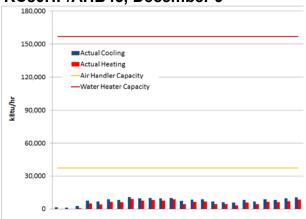
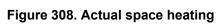
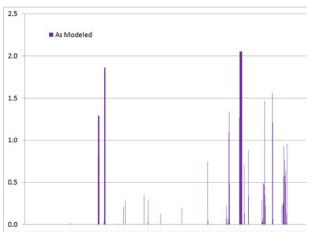


Figure 307. As-modeled space/DHW loads





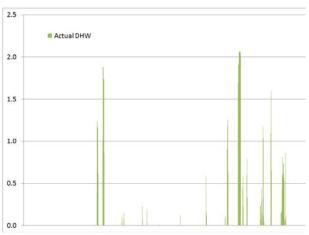
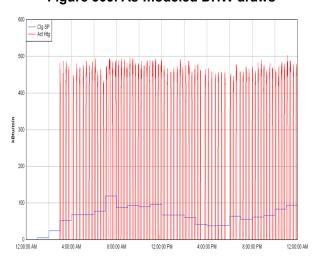


Figure 309. As-modeled DHW draws

Figure 310. Actual DHW draws



| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 91,112 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 186,130 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 74.0 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 76.9 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 206,086 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 202,562 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 7,957 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 108 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 134,961 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 28,321 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 76% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 78% |

Figure 311. Thermostat cycling

Figure 312. Performance results

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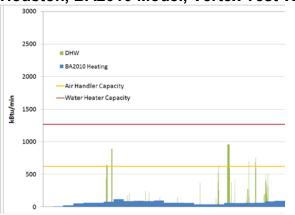
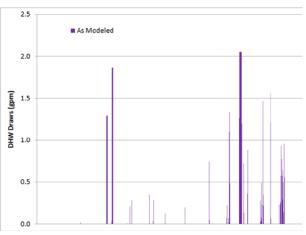




Figure 313. As-modeled space/DHW loads

Figure 314. Actual space heating



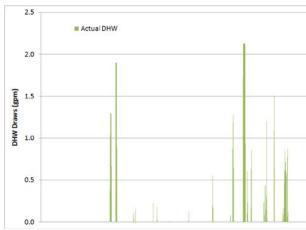
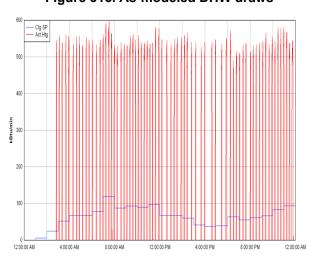


Figure 315. As-modeled DHW draws

Figure 316. Actual DHW draws



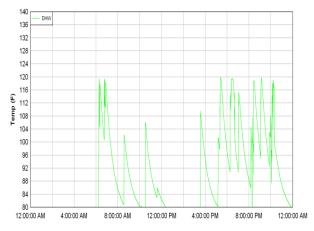
| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 91,112 |
|--|---------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 176,746 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 74.0 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 79.7 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 211,184 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 207,573 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 6,362 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 97 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 122,525 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 33,680 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 72% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 73% |

Figure 317. Thermostat cycling

Figure 318. Performance results



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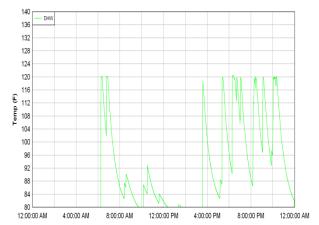


Figure 319. Tankless DHW temperatures

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Figure 320. Storage DHW temperatures

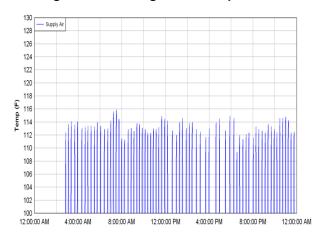


Figure 321. Tankless supply air temperatures

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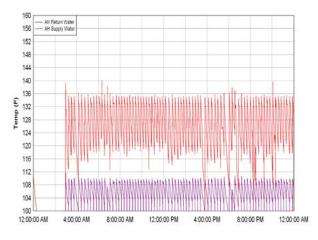


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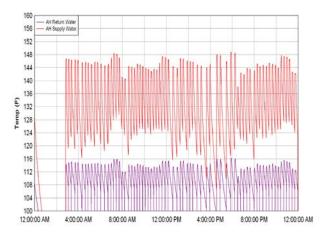
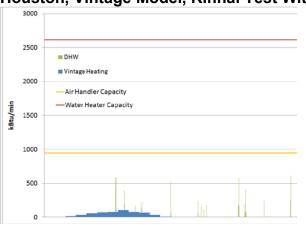


Figure 323. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 324. Storage AH water temperatures

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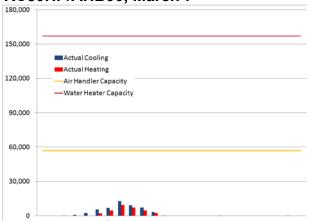


Figure 325. As-modeled space/DHW loads

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Figure 326. Actual space heating

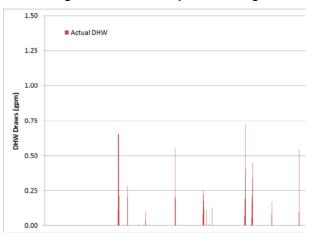


Figure 327. As-modeled DHW draws

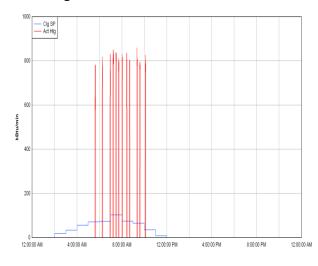


Figure 328. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 32,283 |
|--|--------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 47,355 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 18.9 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 12.3 |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 44,139 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 43,385 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 1,821 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 35 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 29,717 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 2,223 |
| HHV System Efficiency | 69% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 71% |

Figure 329. Thermostat cycling

Figure 330. Performance results

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Houston, Vintage Model, Vertex Test With RC80HP/AHB90, March 7



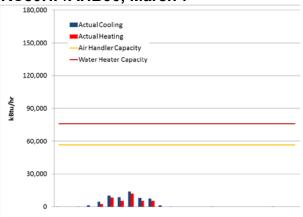


Figure 331. As-modeled space/DHW loads



Figure 332. Actual space heating

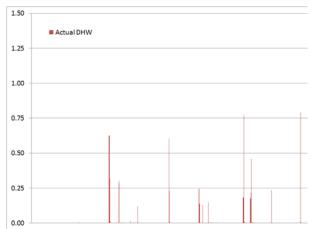


Figure 333. As-modeled DHW draws

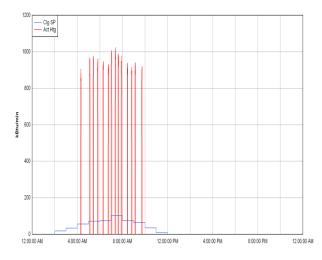


Figure 334. Actual DHW draws

| Total daily heat loss as modeled (Btu/day) | 32,283 |
|--|--------|
| Actual heat loss applied (Btu/day) | 55,860 |
| Total daily DHW as modeled (gal/day) | 18.9 |
| Actual daily DHW (gal/day) | 11.7 |
| | |
| Gas heat value HHV (Btu/cf) | 1,015 |
| Gas heat value LHV (Btu/cf) | 997 |
| Gas consumed HHV (Btu) | 67,579 |
| Gas consumed LHV (Btu) | 66,424 |
| Combo Air Handler power consumed (Btu) | 2,027 |
| Water heater power consumed (Btu) | 34 |
| Space heating Energy (Btu) | 39,228 |
| DHW energy (Btu) | 1,375 |
| | |
| HHV System Efficiency | 58% |
| LHV System Efficiency | 59% |

Figure 335. Thermostat cycling

Figure 336. Performance results



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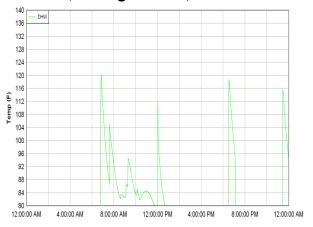
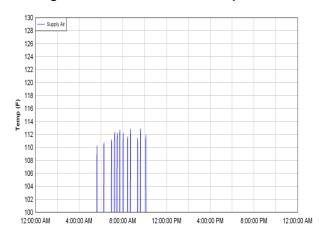




Figure 337. Tankless DHW temperatures

Figure 338. Storage DHW temperatures



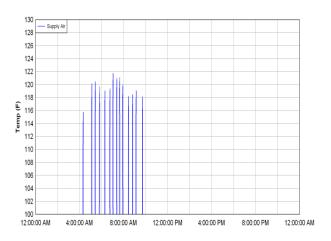
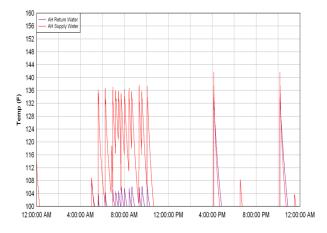


Figure 339. Tankless supply air temperatures

Figure 340. Storage supply air temperatures



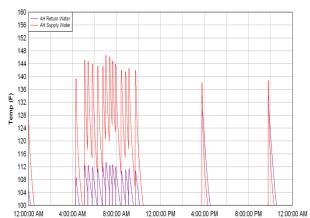


Figure 341. Tankless AH water temperatures

Figure 342. Storage AH water temperatures



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