

MEMORANDUM

TO: Tad Johnsen, Water and Light Director
FROM: Tina Worley, Utility Services Manager
DATE: February 24, 2016
SUBJECT: Heat Pump Standard revision

The Federal Regional Standard for heat pumps was revised and went into effect January 1, 2015. All heat pumps (H/P) (split system and packaged) must comply with new standards which were designated by region of the country. The Department of Energy has allowed an 18 month sell-through or grace period for dealers and distributors to eliminate their inventory. Staff is proposing that the increase in minimum standards be recognized and reflected in the minimum requirement for the Home Performance with Energy Star incentive program, as well as minimum standard for the High Efficiency Heat Pump Rate. The revised minimum for our region is a SEER of 14. Staff is proposing that program(s) minimum requirement be increased to a SEER of 15 for any H/P system. A revised program chart is provided. All program(s) literature and websites will be revised with an effective date of June 1, 2016.