

Electric Heating Load, How Can Limit It?

Electric fan heaters, electric stoves and VRF multi-split heat pumps

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1. Winter Peak Load

It was shocking that winter peak load happened

- There were 30 days during last winter that electric power reserve rate is below 10% in Korea
- It was 12 days that temperature is below -10 $^\circ\!\!\mathbb{C}$ in Seoul during last winter
- : * -10℃~-12℃ : 6 days, -12℃~-15℃ : 3 days, -15℃ ~-18℃ : 3 days





Peak Load Trend

Peak load season moved from summer to winter

- Peak load happened winter since 2009





Cause of Winter Peak Load

Three electric heating equipments account for 16% of winter peak load





Electric Heating Equipments





2. Electric Fan Heaters & Electric Stoves

No policy even if they are inefficient products

- We can not divide energy efficiency rating for electric fan heaters and electric stoves
 - : All electric fan heater's and electric stove's COP is same



< Electric fan heaters >



< Electric stoves >



Energy Charges System of Household

Monthly energy charges

- Monthly energy charges are applied progressive rate in household
- : 57.30 \rightarrow 118.40 \rightarrow 175.0 \rightarrow 258.70 \rightarrow 381.50 \rightarrow 670.60 KRW/kWh

Monthly power consumption per household	Progressive rate		
≤ 100 kWh/month	57.30 KRW/kWh		
101-200 kWh/month	118.40 KRW/kWh		
201-300 kWh/month	175.00 KRW/kWh		
301-400 kWh/month	258.70 KRW/kWh		
401-500 kWh/month	381.50 KRW/kWh		
> 500 kWh/month	670.60 KRW/kWh		





Advertisement Problem of Heaters

It was social problem on electric heaters

- Even if energy charges will be big when consumers use electric fan heaters or electric stoves because of progressive rate system, but sellers advertise only small energy charges





Energy Cost Label

Policy solution is mandatory energy cost indication through energy efficiency label

- Red label means inefficient products



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3. Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF) Multi-Split Heat Pumps

VRF multi-split heat pumps consist of outdoor unit, indoor unit and pipeline







Irony of VRF Multi-Split Heat Pumps

- Air source VRF multi-split heat pumps are ordinary energy efficient products, but...?
 - It was very low when it was tested at temperature condition





Scope

Scope of VRF multi-split heat pumps

- Rated cooling capacity : from 23kW to 70kW







Issue of Test Condition

- There were three big issue of test condition with VRF multi-split heat pumps
 - Model scope : Unit model of outdoor (No combination model)
 - Pipeline length : 50m





- Heating temperature : 7°C, -15°C



Test Result

Test result of cooling and heating efficiency

No	Capacity	IEER (Cooling)					COP (Heating)		EERa		
	Load	100%	75%	50%	25%	IEER	COP1	COP2	COP		
Те	mperature	35 ℃	27.5 ℃	20 ℃	18.3 ℃		7 ℃	-15 ℃			
1	22000W	2.60	3.77	3.98	3.60	3.77	3.22	1.95	2.59	3.18	
2	28000W	2.71	5.03	5.42	4.16	4.97	3.73	2.39	3.06	4.02	
3	28000W	2.17	3.76	4.23	3.80	3.85	2.70	1.70	2.20	3.03	
4	28000W	1.85	4.43	4.54	4.39	4.40	2.61	1.70	2.16	3.28	i.
5	33600W	2.48	4.45	5.45	4.84	4.70	2.90	2.43	2.67	3.69	1
6	33600W	2.48	3.72	4.38	4.19	3.98	2.80	1.62	2.21	3.10	
7	39000W	2.44	4.04	4.00	3.34	3.91	3.02	1.85	2.44	3.18	1
8	44800W	2.20	3.84	4.93	4.08	4.10	2.67	1.76	2.22	3.16	
9	56000W	2.23	3.45	3.53	3.29	2.90	2.98	1.65	2.32	2.61	
10	56000W	2.58	3.75	3.98	4.28	3.98	3.43	1.74	2.59	3.29	



MEPS

Minimum Energy Performance Standard

(unit : W/W)

EERa	IEER (100%, 75%, 50%, 25%)	СОР	COP2 (-15°C)		
2.40	2.80	2.00	1.50		
EERa = (IEER+COP)/2					

MEPS (Minimum Energy Efficiency Performance standard)

A mandatory energy efficiency standard that prohibits manufacturing and sales activities of products falling below the minimum energy efficiency level (subject to a fine of below \$US 19 thousand dollars).









Energy Efficiency Label Standard

Energy efficiency level for VRF multi-split heat pumps

R	Grade	
3.5 ≤ R	1	
3.25 ≤ R < 3.50	2	
3.00 ≤ R < 3.25	3	
2.75 ≤ R < 3.00	4	
2.40 ≤ R < 2.75	5	
R = EERa = (IEER+COP)/2		







Energy Efficiency Grade Label



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Distribution of Efficiency Grade

Estimated distribution of grade

- 1st grade is 3%
- Estimated distribution of grade

Rating	Distribution
1 st grade	3%
2 nd grade	16%
3 rd grade	47%
4 th grade	31%
5 th grade	3%
Total	100%







Thank you

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