### **APRIL 2018 HIGH-PERFORMING COMMERCIAL ROOFTOP UNITS**

#### **OPPORTUNITY**

RTUs condition how much floor space nationwide?

# >50%

#### **TECHNOLOGY**

How do advanced RTUs work?

## VARIABLE SPEED INVERTER **COMPRESSOR MAINTAINS AIR TEMPERATURE SETPOINT**

VARIABLE SPEED SUPPLY FAN **RESPONDS TO** ZONE CONDITIONS



**OF COMMERCIAL FLOOR SPACE IN** 

THE U.S. IS CONDITIONED BY

**ROOFTOP UNITS (RTUS)**<sup>1</sup>

#### M&V

Where did Measurement and Verification occur?

PACIFIC NORTHWEST NATIONAL LABORATORY (PNNL) assessed the first RTU to meet the Department of Energy's High Performance RTU Challenge. The RTU was provided by Daikin Applied and installed in a GSA warehouse in Fort Worth, Texas. PNNL also conducted a concurrent study of the advanced RTU at two Florida supermarkets.

#### RESULTS

How did the advanced RTU perform in M&V?

**26**% **ENERGY SAVINGS** 

Models predicted 40% savings compared to a standard RTU<sup>2</sup>

## COSTS FOR INSTALLATION VARY

Heavier unit and different footprint may require infrastructure reinforcement or duct changes<sup>3</sup>

## **3.8** VR PAYBACK

demonstrated at two Florida supermarkets<sup>4</sup>

#### **Energy Efficiency Ratio as a Function of Outdoor Air Temperature**

Advanced RTU exceeds baseline efficiency, particularly at higher outdoor air temperatures



#### DEPLOYMENT

Where does M&V recommend deploying advanced RTUs?

## **END-OF-LIFE REPLACEMENT**

Modeling indicates that savings will be greatest in hot, humid climates

<sup>1</sup>Field Evaluation of the Performance of the RTU Challenge Unit: Daikin Rebel, S. Katipaumla, W. Wang, H. Ngo, RM Underhill, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, PNNL-26279, May 2017, p. 10 <sup>2</sup>Ibid, p. 25 <sup>3</sup>Ibid, p. 4 <sup>4</sup>Field Evaluation of the Performance of the RTU Challenge Unit: Daikin Rebel, S. Katipamula, W. Wang, H. Ngo, RM. Underhill, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, PNNL-23672, March, 2015, p. 4



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