

INTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Clean Air Conditioner May Reduce Your Energy Bill

(NAPS)—Is your air conditioning system ready for the coming season? A little maintenance before the start of the season can pay handsome dividends by helping to lower energy bills and improve the quality of the air your family breathes.

Heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems can be a breeding ground for bacteria, mold, algae and other fungi. These contaminants can seriously curtail a system's efficiency. In addition, they can shorten a system's life by forcing it to work harder. Over time, this can add extra wear and tear to a system and cost hundreds of dollars in the form of high energy costs.

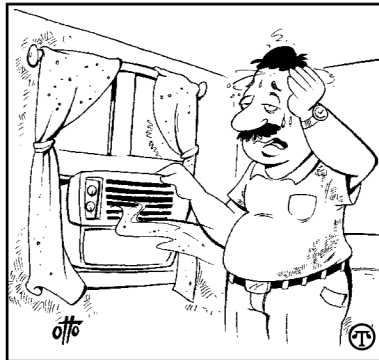
Worse, some experts say microorganisms can shorten home owners' lives. The American Lung Association says infectious respiratory diseases, including "influenza, measles, chicken pox and tuberculosis," can be caused by the contaminants found in many HVAC systems. Lung disease is America's number three killer.

Asthma and allergy sufferers, people with other chronic respiratory problems, children and the elderly are especially sensitive to dirty HVAC systems.

While breathing these contaminants is bad enough, dirty systems can also spread toxins throughout a home—often landing on food preparation surfaces or even the family dinner.

The good news is that what experts are calling a "breakthrough" product may help HVAC owners maintain their systems, save money on energy bills and safeguard their families' health—all for just pennies a day.

One of the nation's leading names in indoor air quality, BBJ Environmental Solutions, has developed BBJ MicroBiocide. The product is registered with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to inhibit growth of active



A poorly maintained air conditioning system could make you sick.

microorganisms including bacteria, algae, mold and other fungi in home HVAC systems.

In addition, the product has been authorized for use in federally-inspected food production facilities by the United States Department of Agriculture and is currently in use by thousands of businesses across the country.

Unlike other products on the market that require a home to be evacuated while they are in use, the BBJ product works effectively whether people are in the home or not.

In studies by Eckardt Johanning M.D. of Eastern New York Occupational and Environmental Health Center, people with prolonged exposure to toxins from *Stachybotrys* (a type of mold) and other fungi experienced chronic fatigue, loss of balance, irritability, memory loss and difficulty speaking. The BBJ system has been found to control these microorganisms and prohibit their return.

HVAC service providers can treat systems with BBJ MicroBiocide quickly, professionally and with minimal disruption to homeowners' lifestyles.

For a service provider near you, call 1-800-887-2251 or log on to www.bbjenviron.com.