

HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Putting Moisture Back Into Your Home

(NAPSA)—As outdoor temperatures begin to fall, odds are that humidity levels inside your home are also falling. Warm, dry air that results from closed windows and heating systems that run for long periods of time begins to absorb moisture from everything around it.

Dry air pulls moisture from furniture and woodwork, leaving them dried out and sometimes cracked. Breathing in this air can be difficult, too, because it has a similar effect on your lungs; homeowners frequently complain about increased respiratory problems, scratchy throats, nasal irritations and dry skin as the heat turns on.

It's no wonder. Wintertime relative humidity inside the average home is 15 percent. That's less than the average humidity of the Sahara Desert, which stands at 25 percent. That's why most homes require additional moisture. Humidifying your home can protect your home and its contents and create a healthy environment as it improves your family's comfort level.

Fortunately, the heating, ventilation and air-conditioning industry offers a variety of products that can provide humidity for your home and return the moisture it desperately needs. A whole-house humidifier is a simple solution that can be installed in your home's ductwork. Air heated by your furnace or heat pump picks



Dry air can make your home feel like the desert, and can damage your walls and furniture.

up moisture as it passes over the humidifier's evaporator pad, which is saturated with water.

The York® Bypass whole-house Humidifier and the York Powered flow-through Humidifier from Johnson Controls use this technology to deliver moist, dry air throughout your home. Both are easy to maintain and come with a control device that mounts easily to a wall or ductwork, allowing you to control your indoor humidity levels.

When a humidifier is paired with a York Affinity™ Modulating Gas Furnace, homeowners will complement their humidity control with a "total comfort system." By modulating the gas input and the circulating airflow to closely match the amount of heat needed, this furnace delivers maximum performance, comfort and savings.

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