

# TECHNOLOGY

## *Improving Lives*

### Defend Your Home From Common Problems

(NAPSA)—Advances in chemistry and construction have brought about new solutions for some of the most persistent warm weather problems homeowners face, making it easier than ever to protect what may be your biggest investment. Here's a look at a few:

- Each year, Americans spend \$5 billion repairing the damage termites cause. Fortunately, newer undetectable liquid treatments provide unprecedented protection against termite damage. For example, Termidor®, America's number one termite defense product, is the fastest at completely eliminating termite populations. Its unique "Transfer Effect" sets it apart from other products: termites can't smell, see or feel it, so they forage freely in the treated zone. Whenever a termite ingests or touches the treatment, it becomes a "carrier," transferring it to every other termite it contacts. These termites in turn become secondary carriers, transferring Termidor to every termite they contact—and so on throughout the colony. To find a Termidor Certified Professional, go to [www.TermidorHome.com](http://www.TermidorHome.com).

- Thanks to advancements in glass coatings, spacers, and frame materials used by manufacturers, new "high-performance" windows can be up to 40 percent more efficient than standard double-pane windows and deliver great savings on cooling bills. Energy Star is a government-backed program that rates home products in accordance with strict EPA and



**A number of technological innovations can make your home more comfortable.**

Department of Energy guidelines. The National Fenestration Rating Council label can help you sort out exactly how efficient the window is in such areas as solar-gain and UV resistance. For more information see [www.EnergyStar.gov](http://www.EnergyStar.gov) and [www.nfrc.org](http://www.nfrc.org).

- As the saying goes, it's not the heat, it's the humidity. High humidity levels can promote harmful household particles, including bacteria, viruses, fungi, and mites and even contribute to asthma. A whole home dehumidifier that can remove up to 90 pints of water per day from the air inside your home, making it more comfortable and much easier to breathe, is available from Aprilaire. It features flexible installation options so it can be installed in attics, closets, crawlspaces, garages and basements. Built-in intelligence allows for automatic control that delivers improved humidity and temperature balance throughout the entire house. For more information, go to [www.Aprilaire.com](http://www.Aprilaire.com).