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EPA's GreenChill Program

- ► **GREEN(HILL** is an EPA partnership with food retailers to:
 - **▶** reduce refrigerant emissions
 - decrease their impact on the ozone layer and climate change
- ► Achieve mission by providing supermarket industry with information and assistance to:
 - ► Transition to refrigerants with better environmental profiles
 - ► Lower refrigerant charge sizes and eliminate leaks
 - ► Adopt green refrigeration technologies and environmental best practices

GREENCHILL'S MISSION: REDUCE REFRIGERANT EMISSIONS

Corporate Emissions Reductions Program

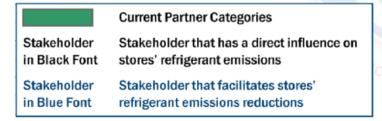
GreenChill Partners measure emissions and set annual goals. Store Certification Program

Awards GreenChill certification to stores for achieving emissions reduction targets. Advanced Refrigeration Program

Promotes the use of advanced refrigeration technologies, strategies, and practices.

GreenChill's Stakeholders





How "The Partnership" Works The Corporate Emissions Reduction Program

- ► Sign agreement and commit to:
 - ► Measure corporate-wide refrigerant stocks and emissions
 - ► Select, measure and report baseline year
 - ► Measure and report annually
 - ► Set annual emissions reduction goal
 - ► Receive EPA recognition if successful
 - Submit refrigerant management plan annually

THE GREEN (HILL PARTNERSHIP



Best Emissions Rate Award

- ► Corporate-wide emissions rate (commercial refrigeration, HVAC, and stand alone units) of 6.5% in 2010
- ► 5 partner companies have corporate-wide emissions rates of <10%









Most Improved Emissions Rate Award

- ► Estimated national emissions rate is 25%
- ► GreenChill partners are significantly better:
 - ▶ 6 partners at 10% or lower
 - ► 60% of all partners below 15%
- ► This year's award winner achieved a reduction of 17.3% in 2010

THE GREEN (HILL PARTNERSHIP



- Only two partners achieved 2010 emissions reduction goal
- ► All partners set very challenging annual goals
- ► GreenChill Partner average commercial refrigeration emissions rate is about 13% since 2008 MENTAL PROTECTION.
- ► Emissions reductions of 7.6% & 6% in one year





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GreenChill's Store Certification Program Overview

- ► EPA recognition for green refrigeration
- ► Three award levels: platinum, gold & silver
- Objective criteria for store achievement
 - ► Refrigerant charge
 - ► Refrigerant leak rate or installation leak tightness
 - ► Type of refrigerants used
- ► Process is easy, fast and free any store can apply
- ▶ See

http://www.epa.gov/greenchill/certcenter.html for standards, guidance, protocols, application forms

How the Store Certification Program Works

67 Stores Currently Certified

2 Platinum

Platinum store prevents minimum 95% emissions of typical store

Leak rates of platinum stores = 0% since construction

28 Gold

prevents minimum 75% of emissions of typical store Average leak rate of gold stores = .5%

37 Silver

prevents minimum 65% of emissions of typical store Average leak rate of silver stores = 2.7%



Best of the Best Award Best GreenChill Certified Store

- Best of all newly certified stores of the past year
- Only new platinum award this year
- ▶ 1st CO2 cascade system in the nation to achieve GreenChill Platinum
- Only 235 pounds of refrigerant used for commercial refrigeration







Neighborhood Market

Store Certification Excellence Award Most GreenChill Certified Stores

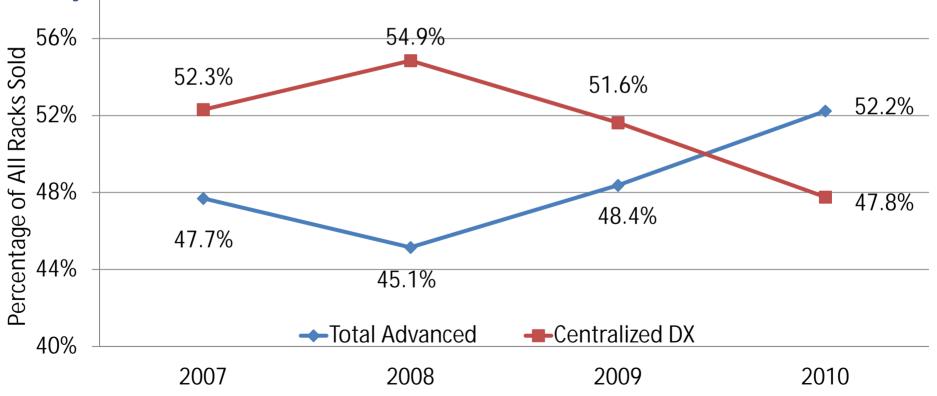
- Company achieved 14 store certification awards over the past year
- ▶ 12 silver awards; 2 gold awards
- ▶ Proof that centralized DX systems can & do achieve store certification awards if they are designed with standards in mind

How the Advanced Refrigeration Program Works

- ► Advanced technologies, strategies, practices
- Data driven refrigerant management
- **►** Explore new technologies
- Best practices
- ► Monthly webinars
- ► Regular partner meetings
- Ongoing projects
- **►** Use the LinkedIn Group
- ► Call, ask questions, get help



For the 1st time ever, advanced refrigeration systems outnumbered centralized DX systems in new construction in 2010



GreenChill's Monthly Webinar Series

- ► Past GreenChill webinars available under Archives at http://www.epa.gov/greenchill/events.html
- ► To receive monthly webinar invitations, send email to EPA-GreenChill@stratu sconsulting.com



Advanced Refrigeration Program Calculator: Climate Impact of Refrigerant Leaks

Calculate the climate impact of a store or company's refrigerant leaks at www.epa.gov/greenchill (under Reports, Guidelines and Tools Tools and Calculators)



Advanced Refrigeration Program Calculator: Climate Impact of Refrigerant Leaks

- Uses electricity as comparison
- ► Average supermarket's refrigerant leaks impact climate as much as the store's entire annual electricity use (2,346,000 kw hrs/yr)

To achieve the same CO_2 eq of reducing refrigerant leaks by $_$	700 pounds
you would have to <u>reduce</u> electricity consumption by _	2,112,183 kilovatt hours.
To achieve the same CO ₂ eq of reducing eletricity consumption by	10 percent
you would have to <u>reduce</u> refrigerant leaks by	2 percent.

Advanced Refrigeration Program Calculator: Financial Impact of Refrigerant Leaks

Calculate how much product a store must sell just to pay the replacement cost of leaked refrigerant

You have to sell 19,514 gallons of milk to pay the replacement cost of 100 pounds of refrigerant



Advanced Refrigeration Program GreenChill Best Practice Guidelines

- GreenChill Leak Prevention & Repair Guideline
- GreenChill Installation Leak Tightness Guideline
- GreenChill R-22 Retrofit Guideline
- ► Available at http://epa.gov/ozone/partnerships/greenchill/ptnrresources.html



EPA's Stratospheric Protection Division Regulatory Update



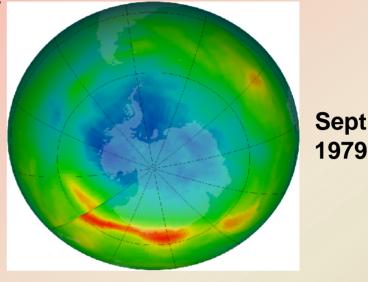


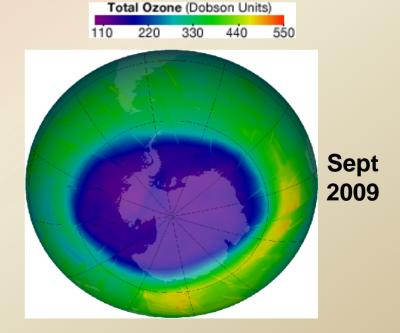
Regulatory Topics

- R-22 Phaseout & Supply
- R-22 Use
- Proposed Amendments to §608 Regulations
- SNAP
- Greenhouse Gas Reporting
- Pre-Charged Appliances
- Metered Dose Inhalers
- Display Case Insulating Foam
- Possible Future Regulatory Topics?

Ozone Layer Recovery

- Chlorine in stratosphere increased steadily from 1960 & peaked at end of 20th century
- Expected to gradually decrease through 21st century
- End of 21st century, ozone-depleting chemicals back to 1960 level

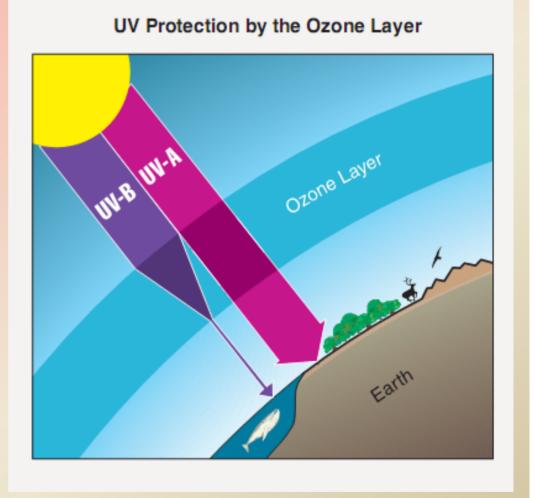




Source: Twenty Questions and Answers about the ozone layer: 2010 Update (Scientific Assessment of Ozone Depletion: 2010)

Environment & Human Health

- Ozone layer shields Earth from ultraviolet radiation:
 - Skin cancer
 - Cataracts
 - Weakened immune systems
 - Damage to plant life, single-cell organisms, aquatic ecosystems
- Economic impacts





R-22 Phaseout & Supply

- Goal = gradually transition away from R-22
- Phaseout not meant to cause shortages in 2010 meant to get us to zero by 2020
- Jan 1st, 2010: decreased amount of R-22 allowed to be produced or imported for domestic use
- 2012-2014: R-22 phaseout continues with annual stepdown approach
- 2015: R-22 supply will be maximum 10% of baseline
- 2020: Phaseout of all production and import of R-22

Clarification on "Fresh" R-22 Use

- Virgin R-22 is only allowed for maintenance and repair (i.e. servicing) of existing systems
- Changes to an existing R-22 system that expand the system (increase the cooling capacity) are not considered regular servicing/maintenance
 - Fresh (virgin) R-22 may not be used
 - Whole system must now use recovered or reclaimed R-22
- Keep detailed records of recovered or reclaimed R-22 used

§608 Regulations: Proposed Amendments

- Reduce use/emissions of ozone-depleting refrigerants to lowest achievable level
- Establish similar requirements for owners/operators of comfort cooling, commercial refrigeration, & industrial process refrigeration appliances
- Clarification of definitions & regulatory interpretations
- GreenChill Webinar-EPA's Proposed Amendments to the §608 Leak Repair Regulations
 - http://epa.gov/ozone/partnerships/greenchill/events
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§608 Regulations: Proposed Amendments

- Lowers leak repair "trigger rate" from 35% to 20%
- Requires verification & documentation of all repairs
- Requires retrofit or retirement of appliances that cannot be sufficiently repaired
- Allows for flexibility in repair or retrofit timelines
- Requires replacement of appliance components with history of failures
- Mandates recordkeeping of determination of full charge & fate of recovered refrigerant

§608 Regulations: Proposed Amendments

- Next step: respond to all public comments
- Finalize the rule
- Broader EPA review
- Broader review by other federal agencies, coordinated by the White House's Office of Management & Budget
- Publication in Federal Register (Goal is mid 2012)

The SNAP Program – New Refrigerants

Proposed Hydrocarbon Rule

- Allows use of R-600a (Isobutane), R-441A (HCR-188C1) in new household refrigerators & freezers
- Allows use of R-290 (Propane) in new retail food selfcontained units
- Use conditions: equipment must meet UL standards, charge limit of 57 grams of R-600a and 150 grams of R-290, red colored ports, unique fittings

Final rule

- EPA not allowed to give information on final rule before publication
- Intra-EPA review completed
- Interagency review begun (< 90 days from early Sept.)
- EPA Administrator reviews & signs rule, published
- Final rule expected later this year / early next year

Pre-Charged Appliance Rule

- Prohibits sale & distribution of
 - A/C & refrigeration appliances pre-charged with R-22
 - Components pre-charged with R-22
- Applies to appliances & components manufactured on/after 1/1/2010
 - Allowed to import a used soda vending machine containing R-22 that was manufactured prior to 1/1/10
 - Allowed to purchase a dry R-22 component to repair an existing R-22 refrigeration system

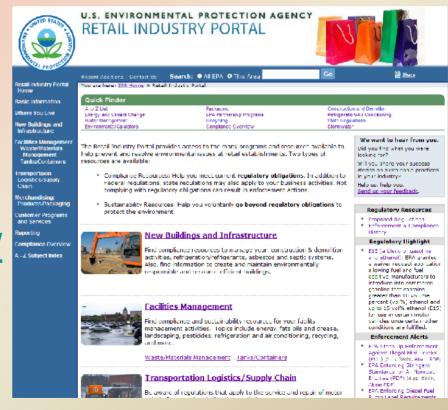
EPA's Retail Web Portal

- Combines all relevant EPA regulatory, compliance, & sustainability info for retailers in one place
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www.epa.gov/retailindustry

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