



9th Annual
North American
Passive House
Conference

Passive House Monitoring Systems

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Thanks for the support

At this 9th. PH conference:

- Michael Hindle mentioned at the opening speech how important monitoring is!
- More than 10 of the presenters are PowerWise client! .

**More than 60%
of all Passive House
buildings in North America**



**are using
PowerWise
monitoring solutions**



Agenda:

- Background information
- Why monitor Passive House type buildings
- Monitoring Systems available
- The InView Passive Solution
- Energy Monitoring
- Live dashboards
- Monitoring of heat pump technology
- Future Monitoring & Control features
- Q&A

Background information

- The eMonitor -circuit level monitoring.
- The beginning –Peter Schneider/VEIC came with the idea in late 2010.
- Started with eMonitor & the WEL
- Today PowerWise have monitoring systems in more than 60% of certified Passive House buildings in US & Canada.



Why monitor Passive House buildings

You heard it before – *“you can’t manage what you don’t measure”*

- Feedback for architect, builder, homeowner
- Evaluate and optimized building systems
- Verify performance vs. design
 - Air quality
 - Home comfort
 - Temperature
 - Low energy use appliances, lighting, HVAC
 - HVAC
- Answer the questions –demystifying the technology use in passive houses



Monitoring Systems available

- Many systems can monitor total power or several circuits
- Few systems can add temperature & RH sensors
- Very few, if any have a dedicated system that tying it all together in an online dashboard.



Web Energy Logger



The InView Passive Solution

- Energy management, including renewables
- HVAC performance
 - ERV/HRV energy savings and recovery efficiency
 - ASHP Heat pumps
 - Home comfort conditions
 - Air quality through the year - CO₂, VOC, RH
- Water and gas
 - Domestic hot water, solar thermal, HPWS heat pumps
 - Water use, storage, rainfall
- Broad or targeted projects



The InView Passive Solution

- Designed to Answer following questions:

- How much energy is each circuit using?
- How much energy is required to heat and cool the house?
- How uniform is the temperature throughout the house?
- How much energy is saved through the ERV/HRV system and what is the recovery efficiency of the ERV/HRV?
- How much energy does the ventilation system require to run?
- How much energy does the hot water system require? What percent is provided by solar?
- How is the air quality of the house throughout the year (indicated by CO₂/VOC ppm)?
- What is the relative humidity level in the home?



Passive House Monitoring



inView Passive™

Passive House Dashboard

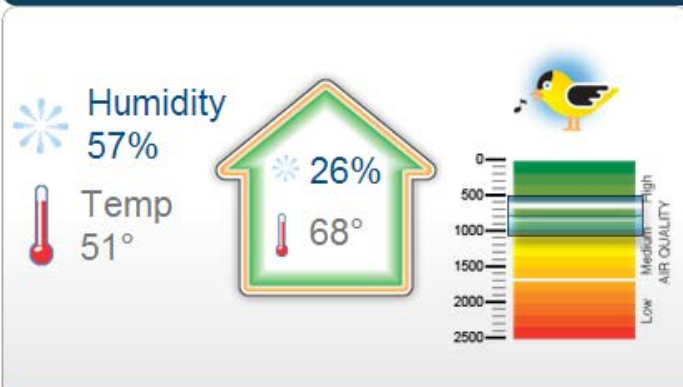
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High today 39°, Clear



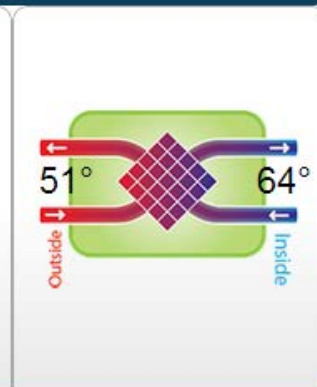
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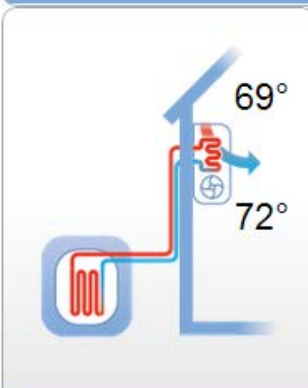
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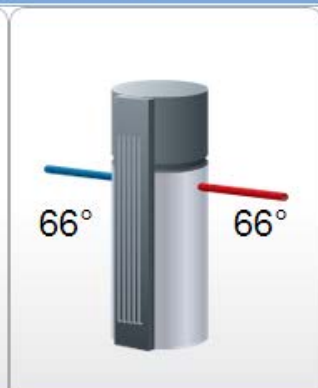
Real-Time Electricity Details



ERV Details



Mini-split Details



HPWH Details



My Location

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InView™ Dashboard





inView Passive™ Passive House Dashboard

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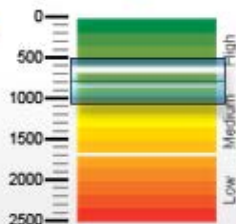
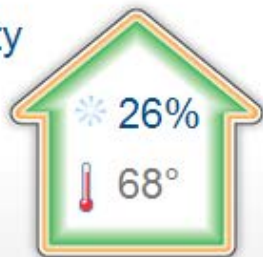
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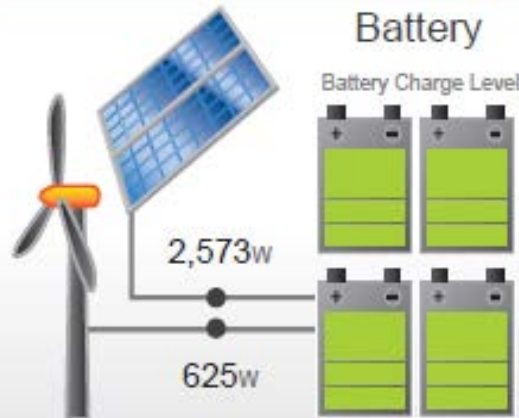
Humidity
57%



Temp
51°



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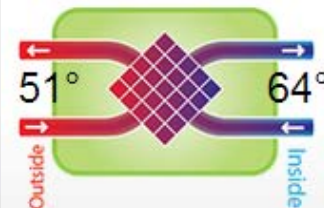
Battery

Battery Charge Level

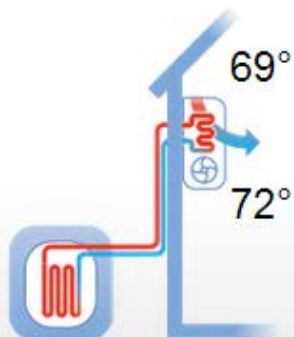
2,573w

625w

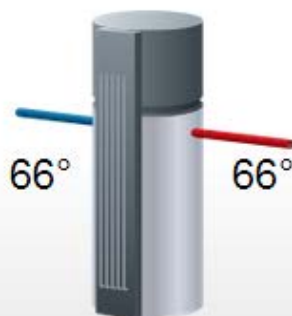
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Circuit Level Energy Monitoring

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HOME Circuits Controls Alerts Ways to Save Report Card Local Weather

Monitor Status: ● Current use: 0.07 KW | \$0/hr Outside Temp: 63°F Switch location ▼

Share My eMonitorWindow

Utility Meter *i*

-570 Watts

Power Production

640 Watts

Top Appliances/Circuits On Now

- Refrigerator (92w)
- Dehumidifier (21w)
- Garage Doors +Lt (9w)
- Nicholas' Room (7w)
- Living Rm Lt (7w)

30-Day Carbon Footprint *i*

ME Avg	My CO ₂
483 lbs.	0 lbs.

30-Day Phantom Power \$3 *i*

Where I've used electricity in the past 30 days: Top 12 Circuits *i*

Click a slice or label for detail / [View All Circuits](#)

Electricity Usage in kWh by Month *i*

Month	Usage (kWh)
This Month	-7 kWh
Last Month	-70 kWh

Top 4 Users by kWh - Last 30 days

User	kWh
Dehumidifier	31
Unmonitored Power	18
Refrigerator	17
Garage Doors +Lt	13

Past Year | Past Month kWh Cost

View History Details

Past Day | Past Week | Past Month Use Production Both

Past Week's Usage | Past Week's Production | Past Week's Outdoor Temperature

Click and drag in the plot area to zoom in.

Share your eMonitor experiences on [Facebook](#)

[Export Data](#)



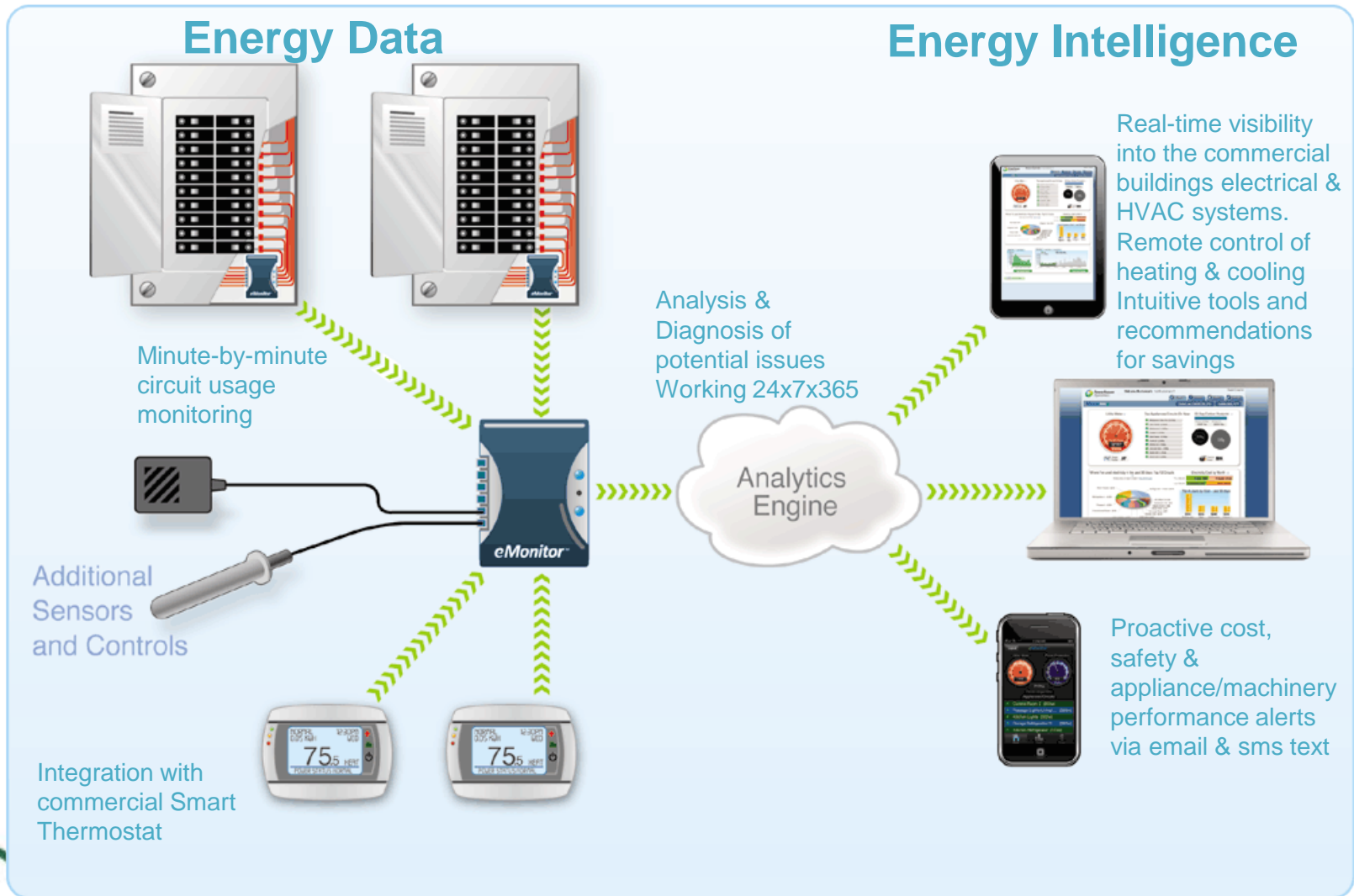
Circuit Level Energy Monitoring

*The Most Powerful and Versatile Circuit level Monitoring Available
Solutions for residential (single phase) & commercial (3Phase) buildings
More than 3500 units installed since 2010*

- Monitors ALL energy costs and all energy production
- Controls HVAC via Thermostats - the largest cost
- Proactively alerts – safety, cost & appliance performance
- Pinpoints major cost contributors with granular information
- Recommends targeted actions to save money
- **Delivers Cost Savings + Peace-of-Mind**

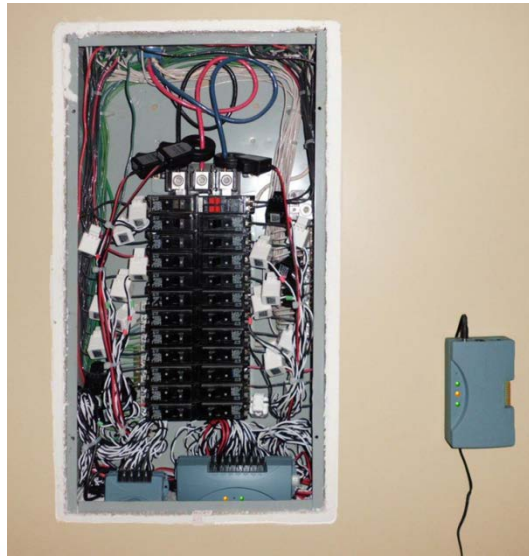


Circuit Level Energy Monitoring Overview



Simple, Clean, Cost-Effective Installation

Wireless
communication - no
wires outside the
service panel



Eliminates issues
with **outdoor** panels



Eliminates issues with
recessed or **exposed**
panels



eMonitor c-Series/eMonitor4 configuration examples

The eMonitor unit alone is an eMonitor 15c or eMonitor4-14

15 or 14 circuits



eMonitor c-Series Base Unit

Channel count can be upgraded in **10 circuit increments** to 45 or 44 circuits with same base unit.

Solutions sold as eMonitor-15c, 25c & 45c or eMonitor4 14, 24 & 44

+10 circuits



+10 circuits



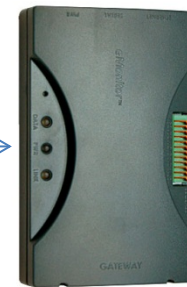
+10 circuits



Expansion Pod (xPod)

The Gateway architecture in place to support PowerWise Temp and RH sensors, flow meters and Zigbee & Z-Wave radios

U-Snap module supports Z-Wave and Zigbee radios



3 analog + 3 digital wired ports

Gateway

HVAC/Thermostat Control

Current Thermostat Settings (Tuesday, November 19, 2013, 4:10 PM)



Outdoor Temp: 41°F

Mode: Heating Off

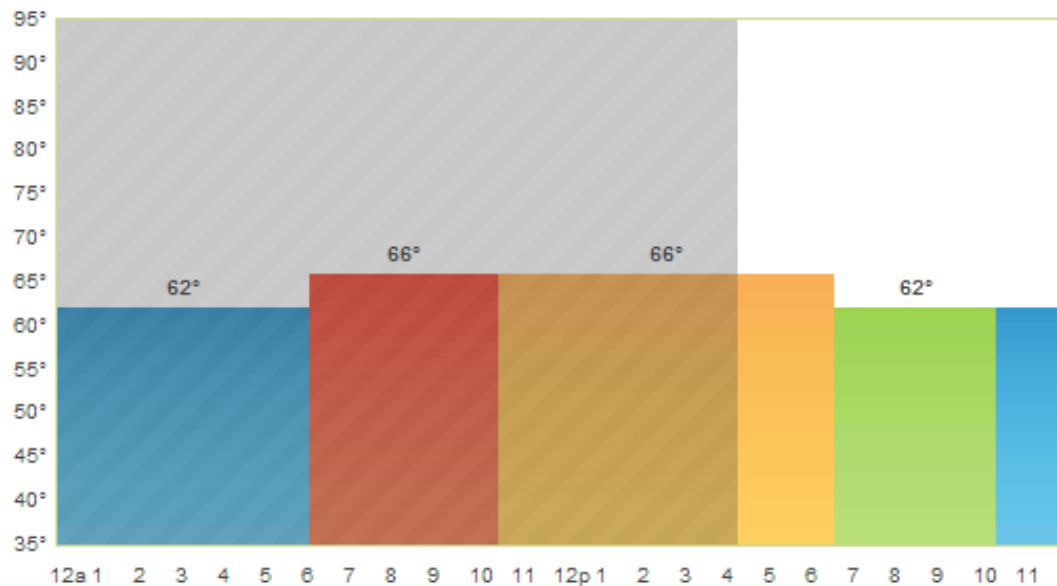
Fan: Auto On

Workday Away Setting: 66°F

Heating Schedule for Today

[Switch to Non-workday Schedule](#)

(Changes made here only impact today. See [Settings](#) to make all other changes.)



Sleep: 62°F
10:20p - 6:00a



Wake: 66°F
6:00a - 10:30a



Away: 66°F
10:30a - 6:30p



Home: 62°F
6:30p - 10:20p

Drag the bars horizontally to change the time periods; vertically to change today's temperature settings.

In & outdoor environment Monitoring Temperature, Relative Humidity, CO₂ & VOC levels

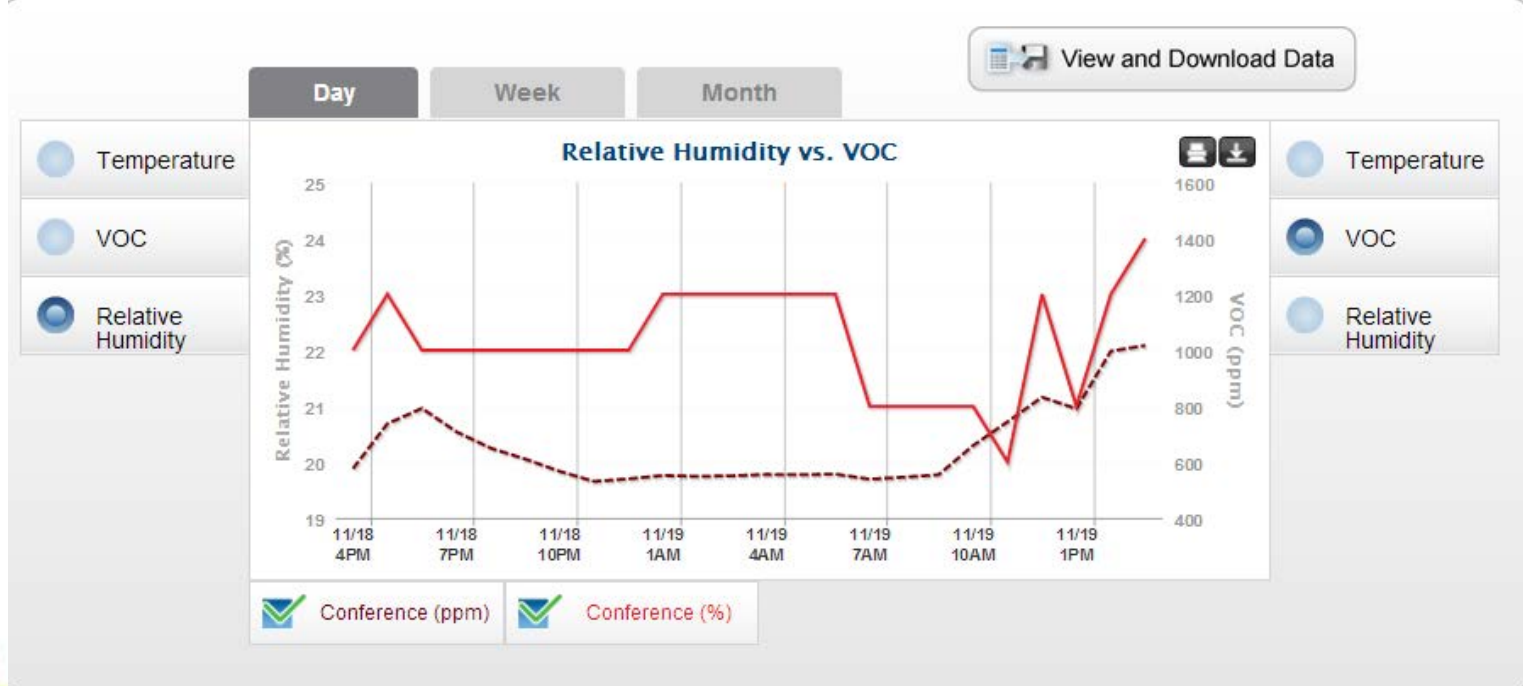
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Humidity
54%

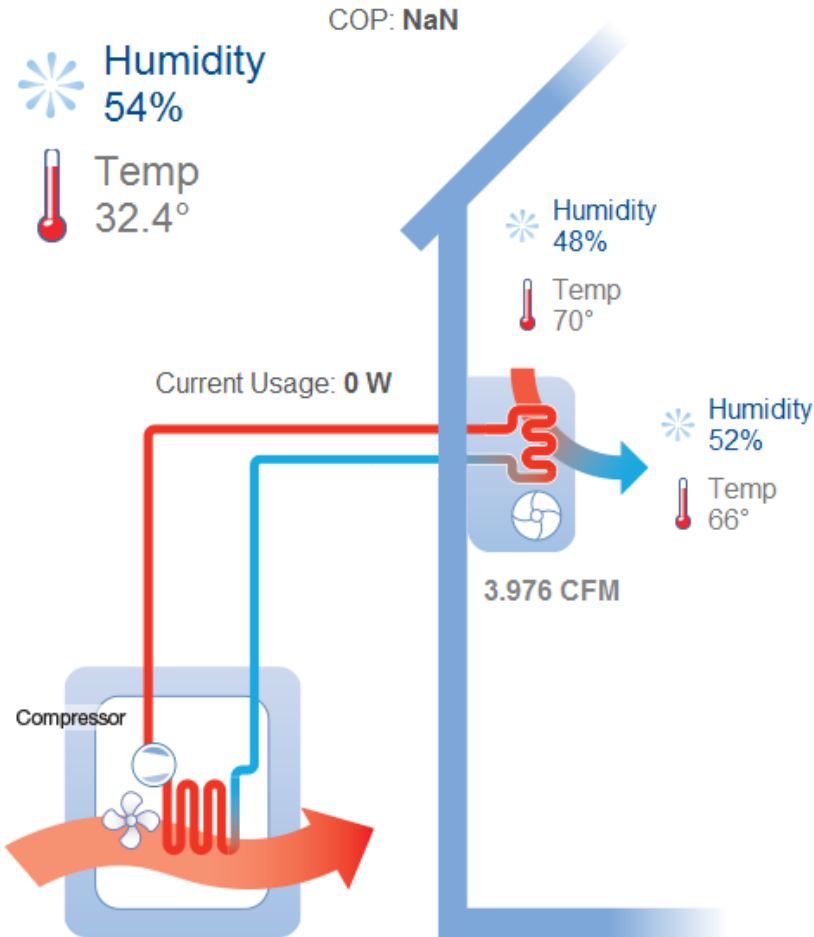
Temp
41.9°
39° Avg
1 day(s)

Day | Week | Month

Data	Min	Max	Avg
Outside Temp	19°	63°	39°
Inside Temp	71°	79°	74°
Inside Relative Humidity	19%	32%	24%
Indoor Air Quality	516	1896	817



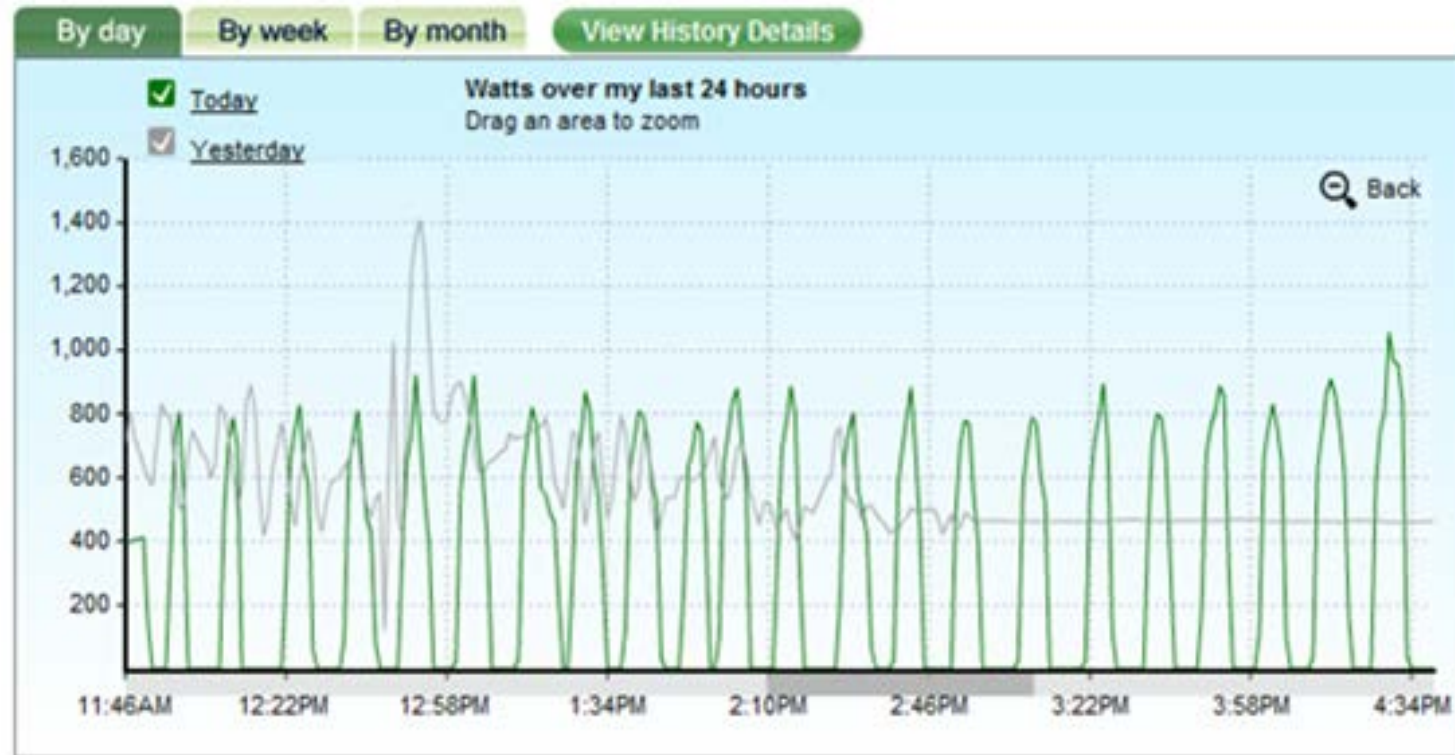
Mini-split Monitoring



Day	Week	Month	
Data	Min	Max	Avg
Relative Humidity Inside Supply	18	60	55
Relative Humidity Inside Return	40	55	51
Temperature Inside Supply	66	108	71
Temperature Inside Return	70	81	74
Analog Mini-Split	3.972	4.144	3.982

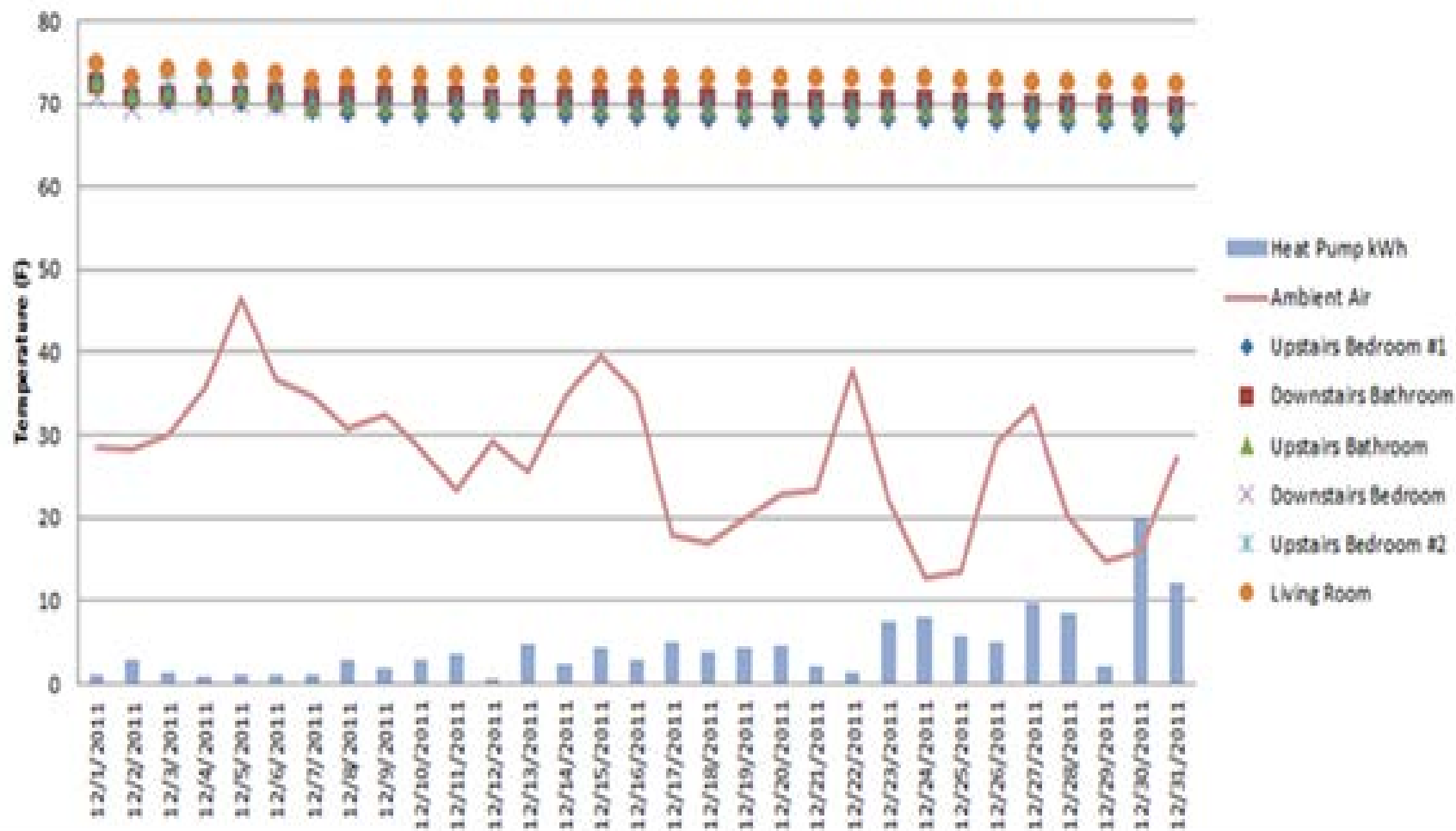
Mini split Heat Pumps – Short Cycling

Minute by Minute View by Day



Check a box to show/hide today or yesterday. Drag your mouse horizontally (across time) to zoom into minute by minute detail. This chart updates every minute. If you are zoomed in, you may be "kicked out" to the 24-hour view.

Temperature Variation with Point Source Heating & Heat Pump Energy Usage (135kWh)



ERV & HRV Monitoring

Home

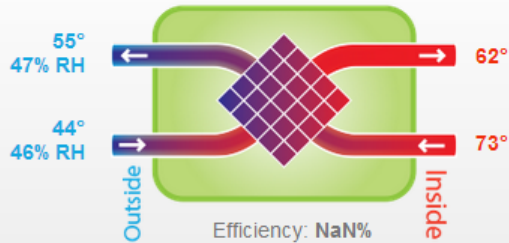
Bldg Environment

SHW Details

Gnd Source Details

ERV Details

Current Usage: 261 W

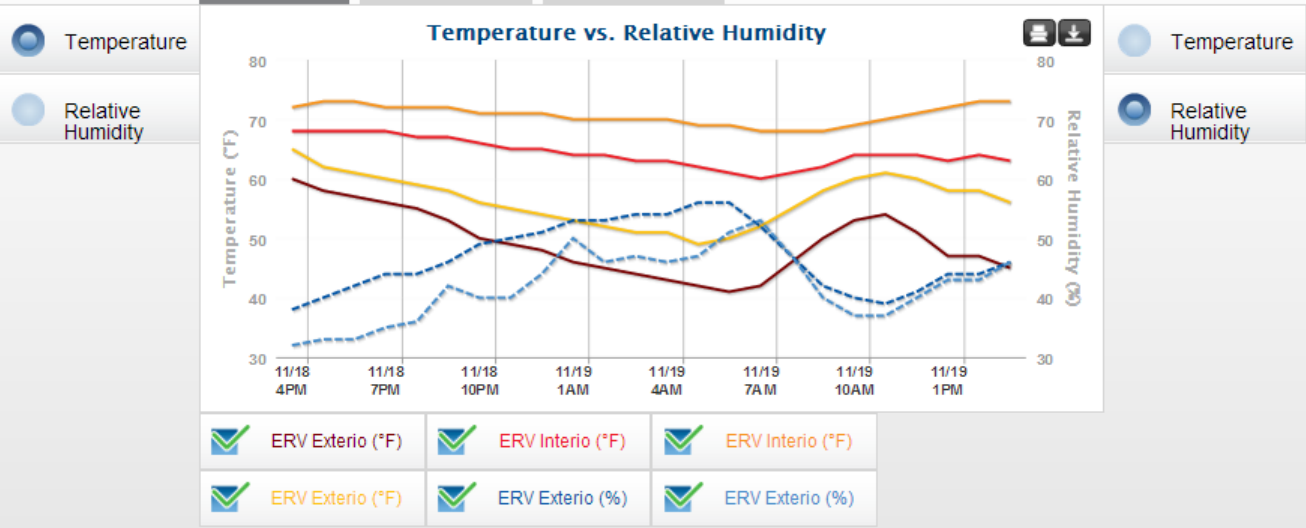


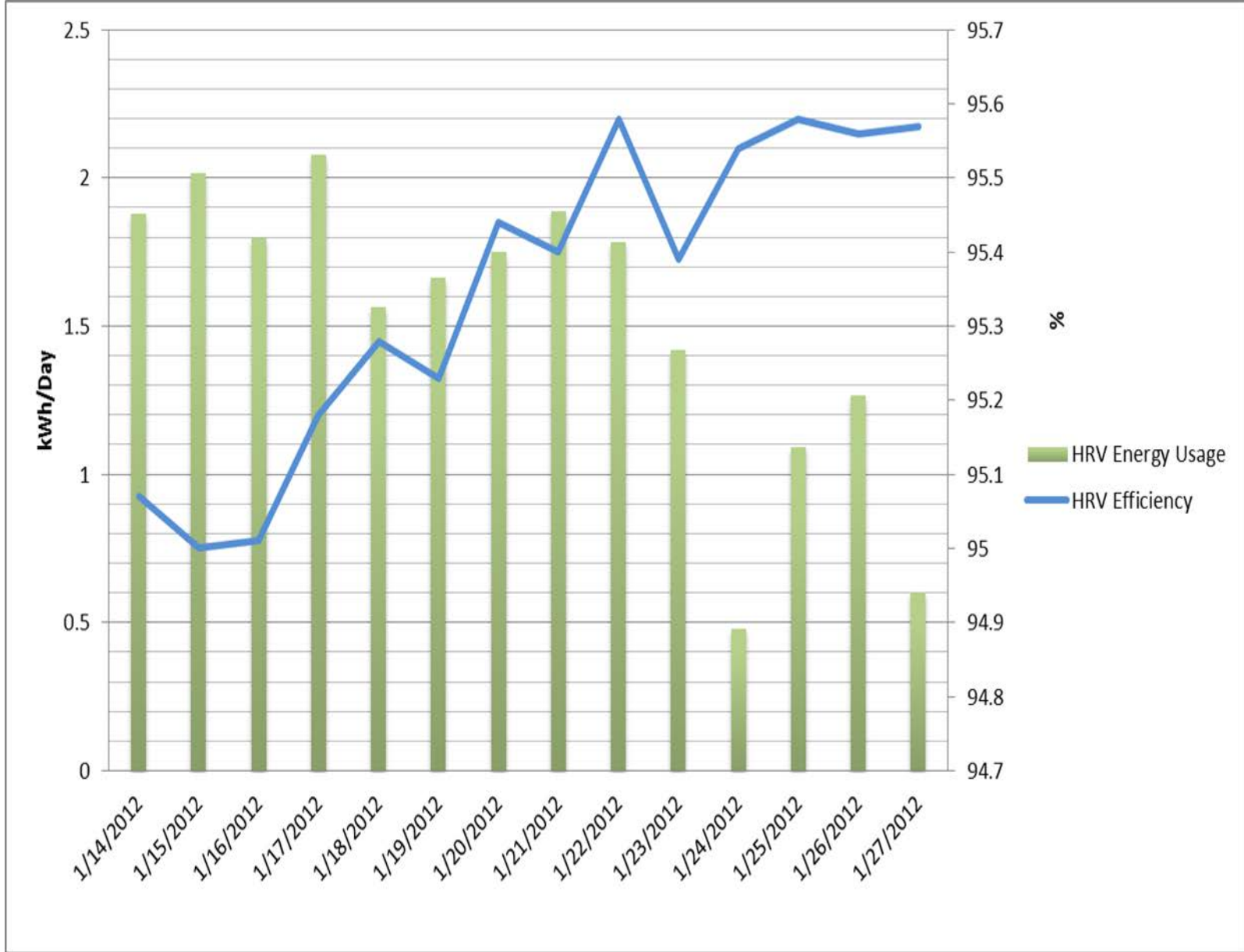
Day Week Month

Data	Min	Max	Avg
ERV Exterior Fresh Air Temperature	39	70	53
ERV Interior Supply Air Temperature	59	69	65
ERV Interior Exhaust Air Temperature	68	73	70
ERV Exterior Exhaust Temperature	48	69	59
ERV Exterior Exhaust Air Relative Humidity	36	74	48
ERV Exterior Fresh Air Relative Humidity	28	99	47

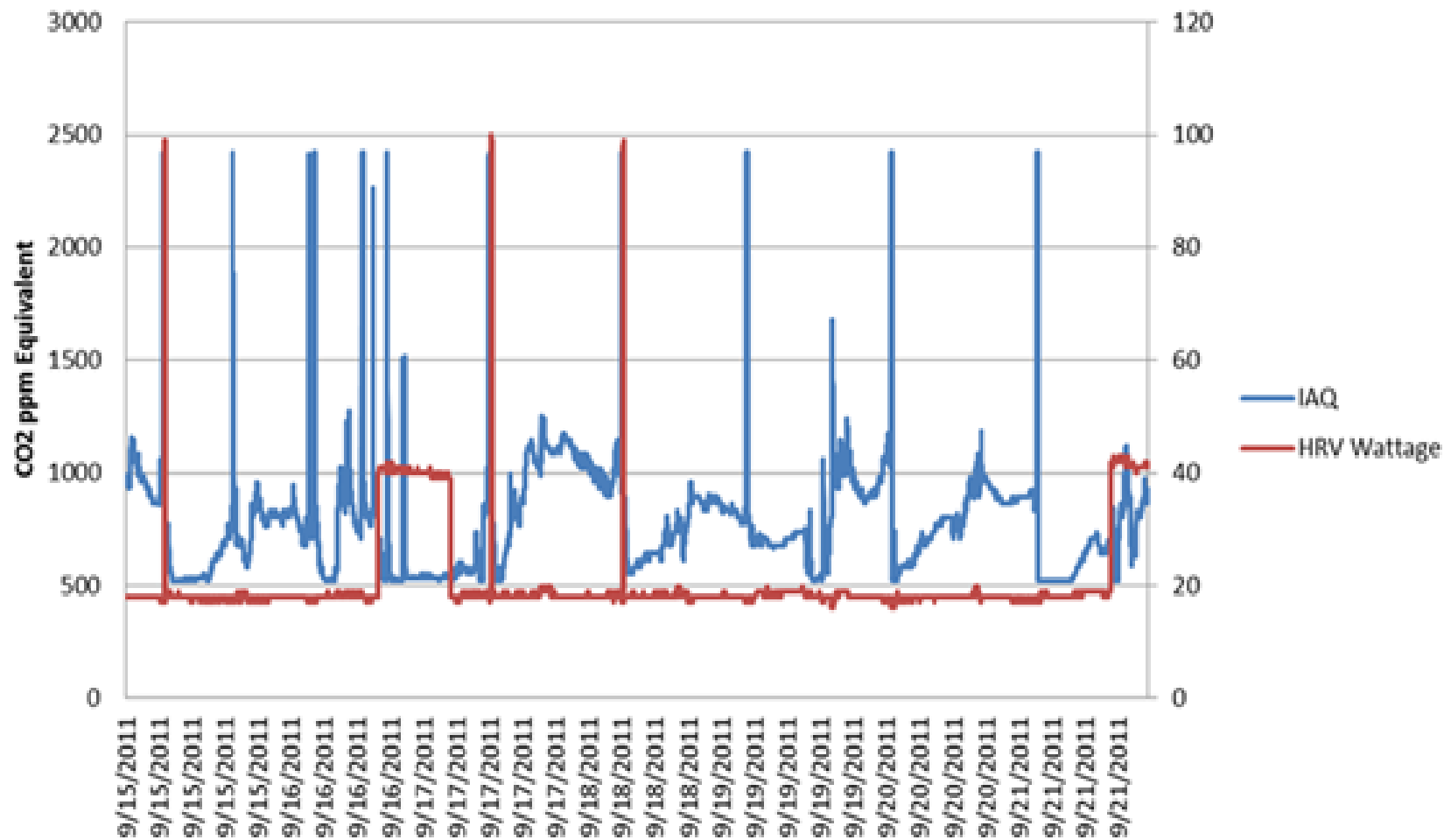
View and Download Data

Day Week Month

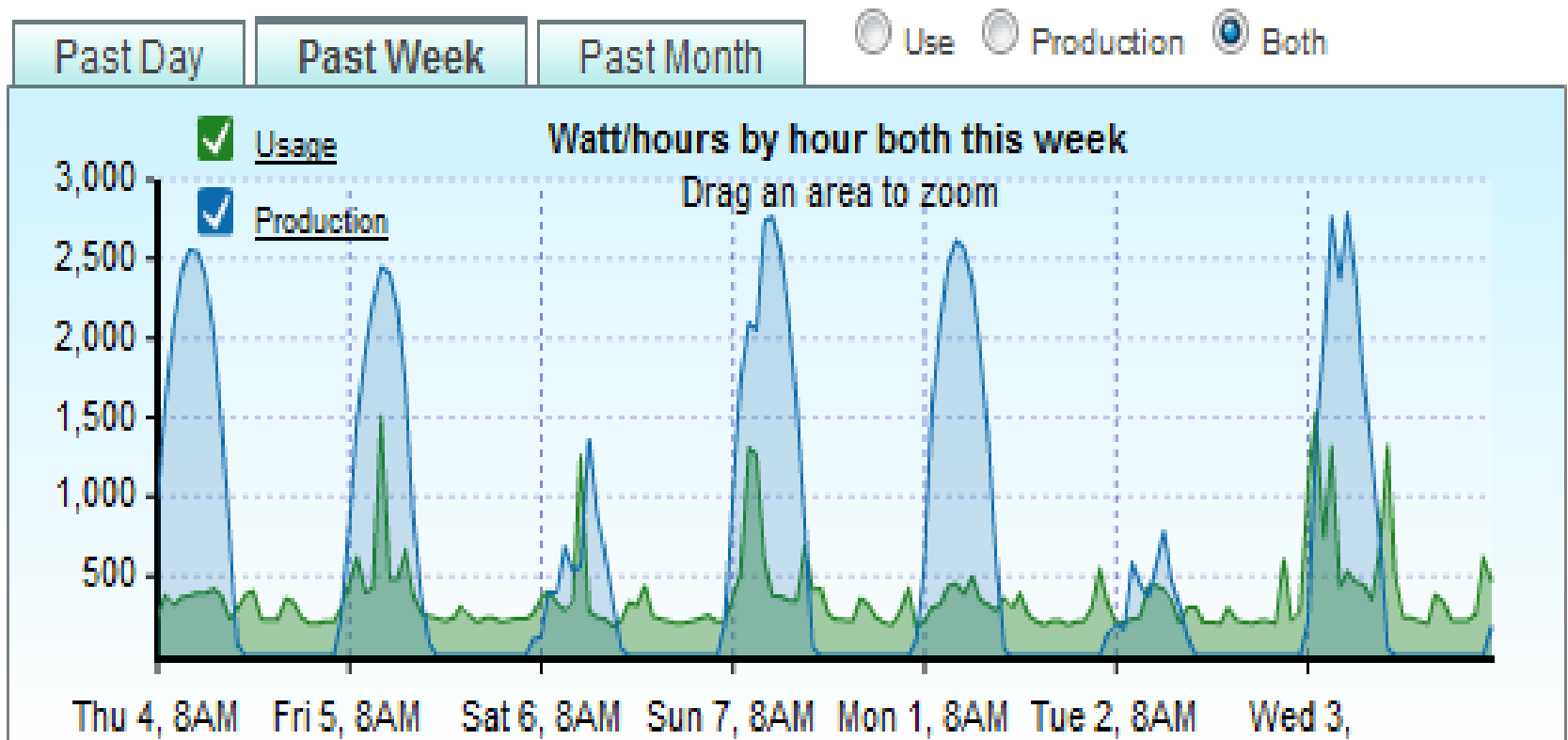




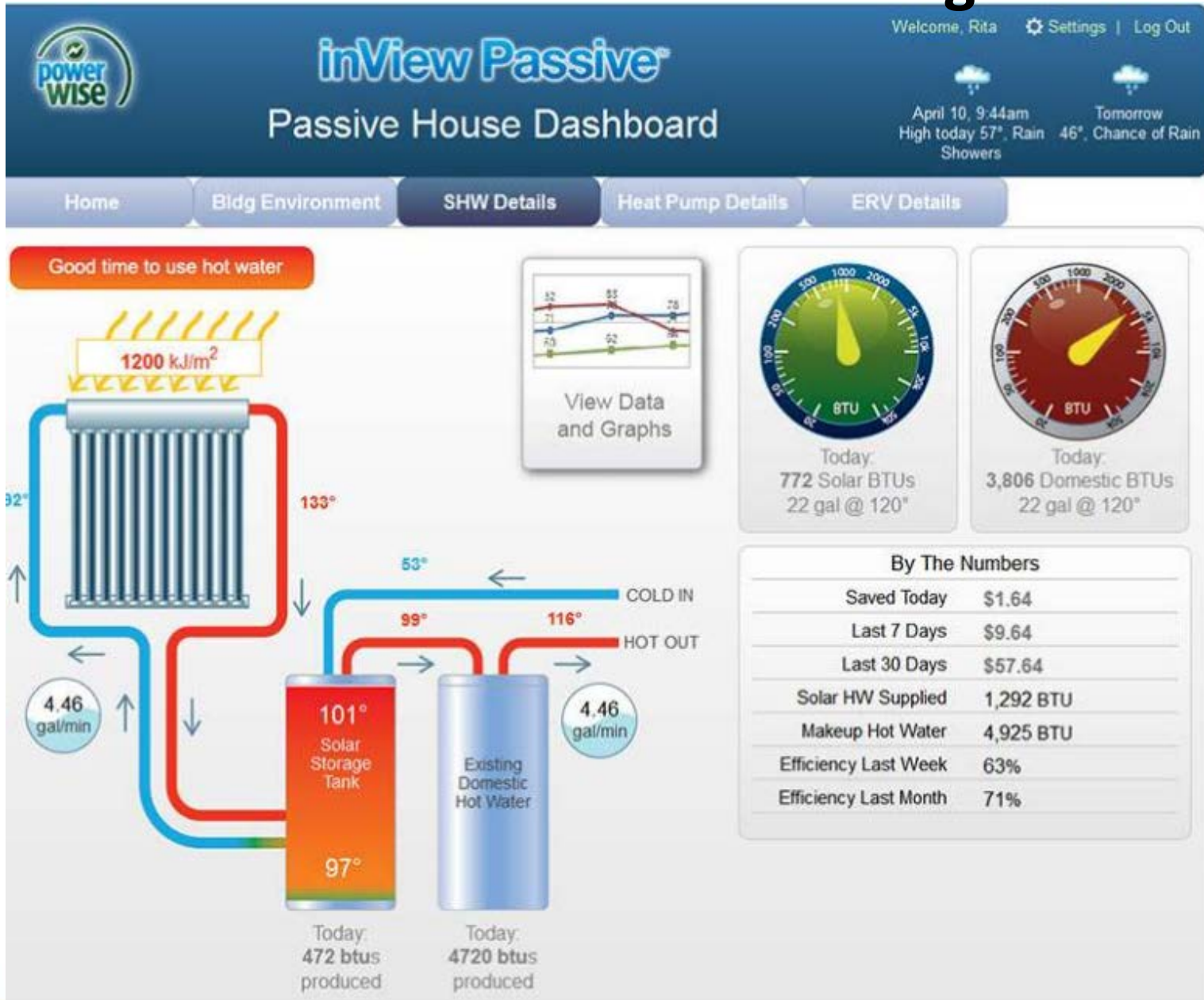
Indoor Air Quality and HRV Energy Usage



Electricity Use and Renewable Power



Solar Hot Water Monitoring



Solar Hot Water Monitoring

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January 13, 5:41pm
High today 46°,
Partly Cloudy



Tomorrow
45°, Rain Showers

Home

Bldg Environment

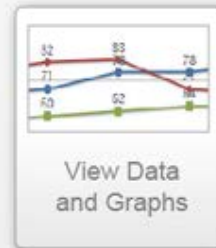
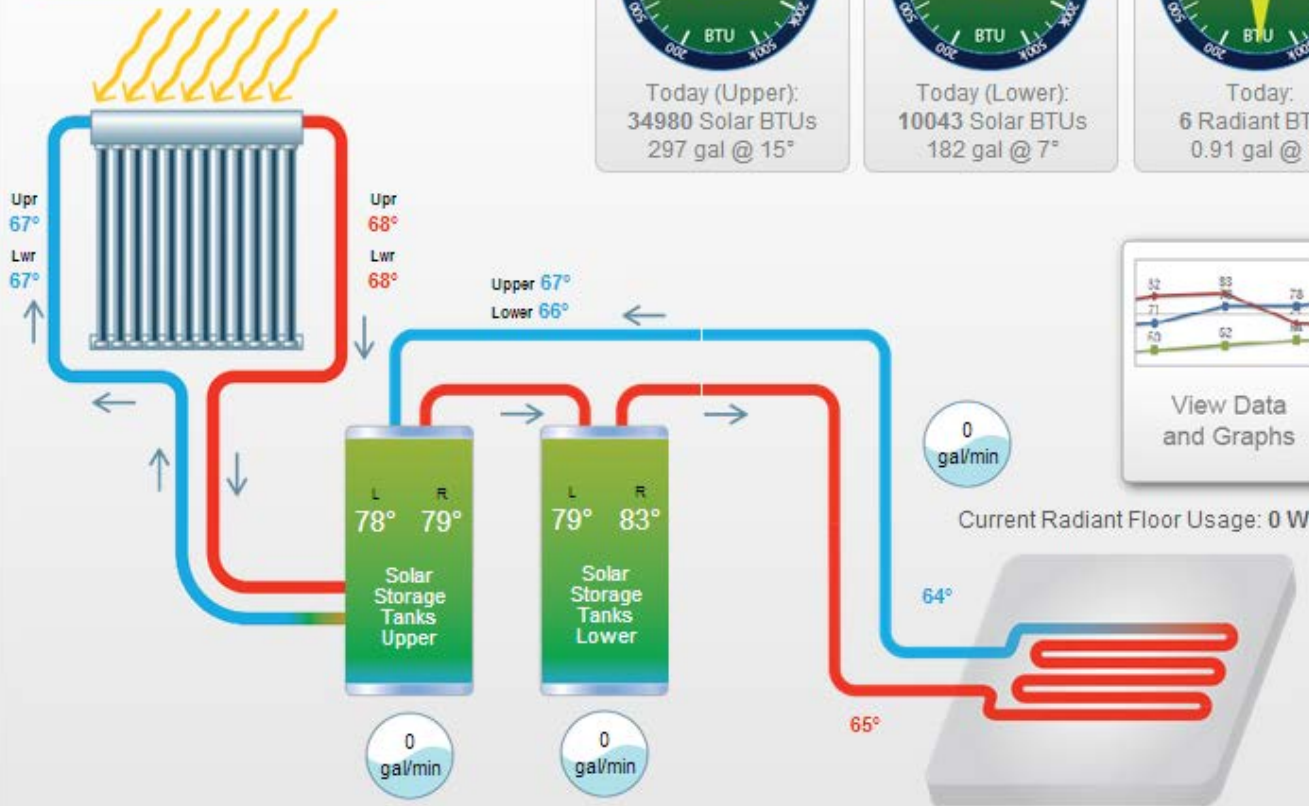
SHW Details

Gnd Source Details

ERV Details

Current SHW Usage: 12 W

Too cold to use hot water



Solar Hot Water Monitoring

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Partly Cloudy



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Bldg Environment

SHW Details

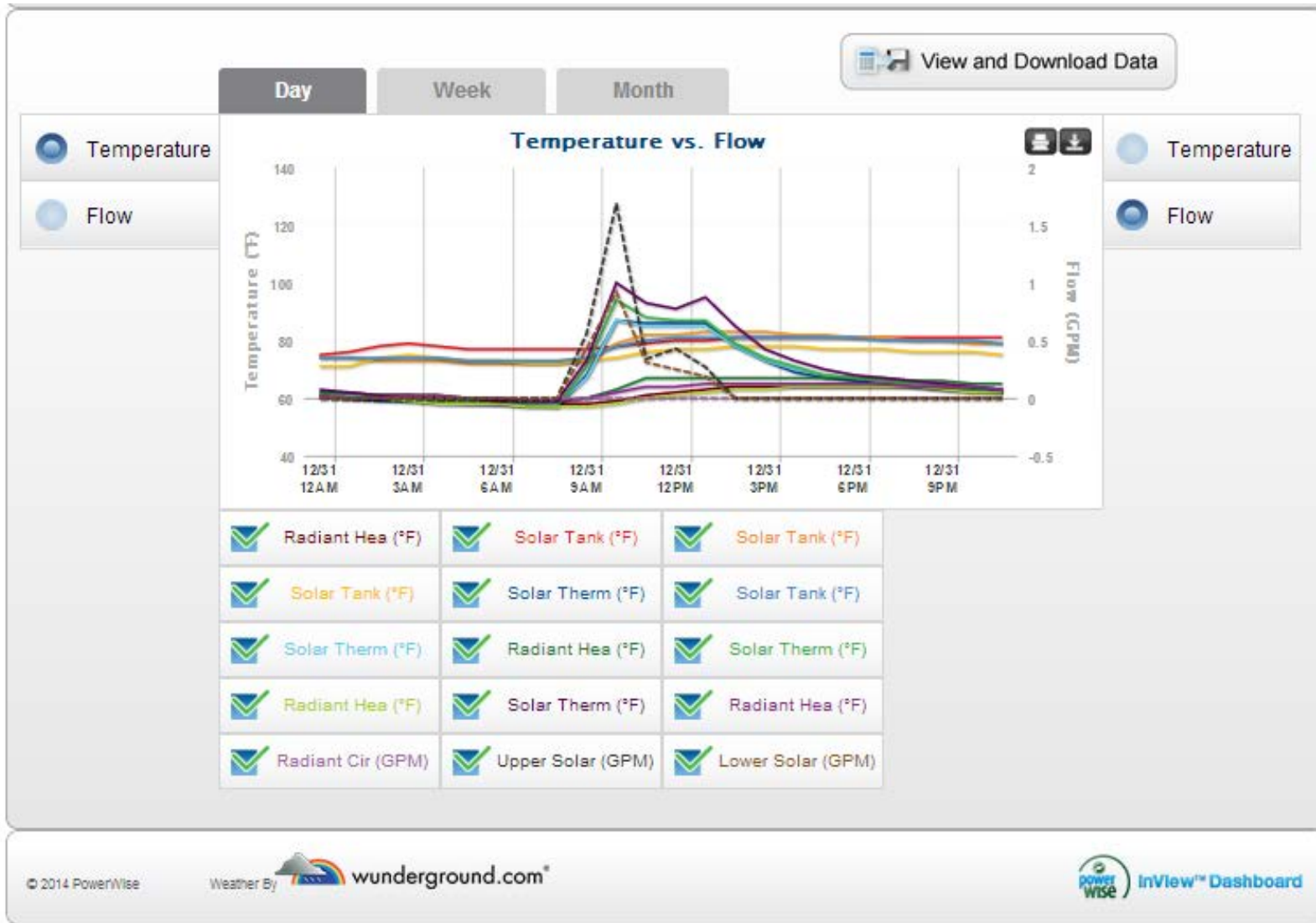
Gnd Source Details

ERV Details

Data	Min	Max	Avg
Radiant Heat Supply Loop Temperature	56	65	59
Solar Tank - Lower Right Temperature	64	84	70
Solar Tank - Upper Right Temperature	60	80	66
Solar Tank - Lower Left Temperature	65	80	69
Solar Thermal Return to Panels - Lower System Temperature	56	94	65
Solar Tank - Upper Left Temperature	60	80	65
Solar Thermal Return to Panels - Upper System Temperature	56	89	64
Radiant Heat Return - Upper Tanks Temperature	56	67	60
Solar Thermal Feed from Panels - Lower System Temperature	56	103	66
Radiant Heat Return Loop Temperature	56	64	59
Solar Thermal Feed from Panels - Upper System Temperature	57	105	66
Radiant Heat Return - Lower Tanks Temperature	57	66	59
Radiant Circulators Flow	0	0.54	0
Upper Solar Thermal Pump Flow	0	2.25	0.15
Lower Solar Thermal Pump Flow	0	1.13	0.1



Solar Hot Water Monitoring





inDAC™
Data Acquisition
& Control

Options:
Serial • MODBUS • Wireless

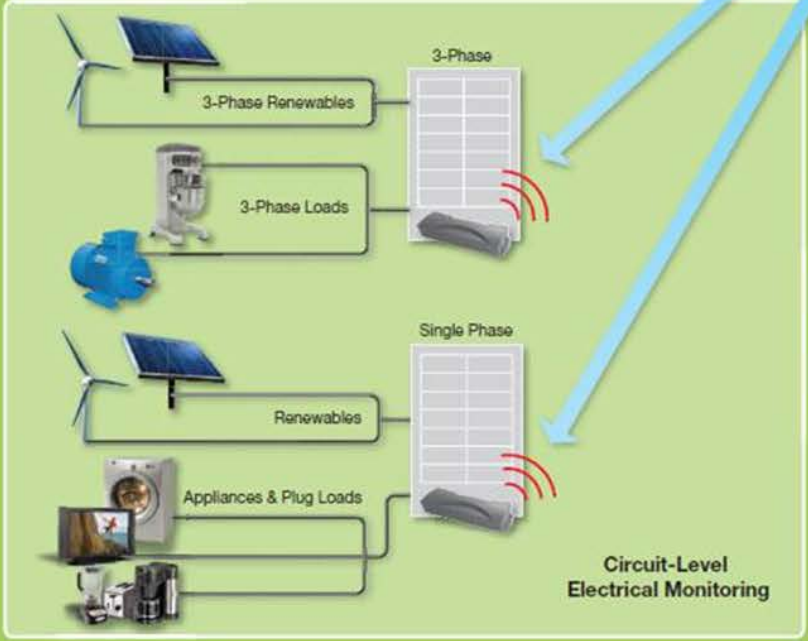
Gateway

Router

inServ™ Server with
Advanced Analytics

inView™ Dashboards

inGate™
Gateway



Z-Wave Devices

RS485 Devices

Revenue Grade Power Monitor
Solar Metering

Thermostat

Weather Data

**PowerWise Energy Management
& Building Intelligence Family**

Energy Monitoring • Building Environment Sensors • Weather
Hardware & Software + Advanced Data Analytics

Environment Monitoring Hardware

- **PowerWise Building environment Metering -Temp, RH, CO2 & VOC**
- **inDAQ Sensor Controller**
 - 1-Wire support of 15 Temp + 5 RH/Temp or Multi Sensors
 - 4 x Pulse Input Counters, 4 Analog & 4 Digital Inputs
 - RS485 Modbus input/output RS232 Serial input/output
 - Optional Wire-less connect to Gateway
- **Environment Sensors**
 - All sensors 1-Wire (normally using existing CAT 3or4 phone/Ether
 - Compact & easily wall mountable
 - Measure Temperature, Relative Humidity, Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) & CO₂
 - Wireless version planned for Q4 2014



RH & Temp



CO₂, RH & Temp



VOC, RH & Temp



Temp

Environment Monitoring Hardware

- **PowerWise Water ,Gas & other liquid flow Metering**
 - Support of many pipe diameters from 2"-1/2"



Detailed Weather Monitoring

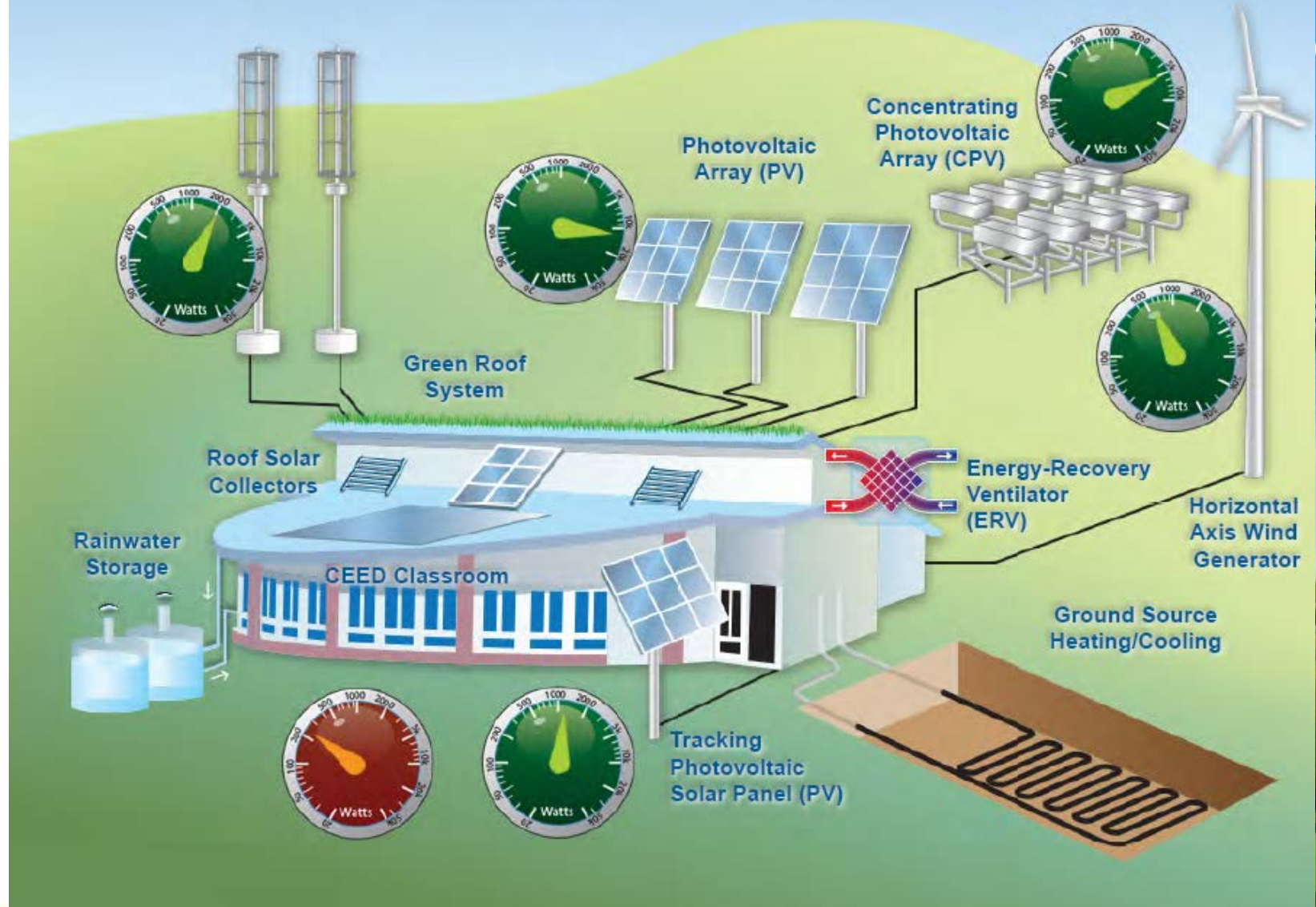
- **PowerWise Local Weather data- Via professional grade weather stations**
 - Wireless sensor assembly, Wind speed & direction, RH, Temp, Rainfall, Barometric pressure.
 - Accurate real-time weather data from a professional grade weather station by RainWise - the preferred station by Weather Underground and the Weather Channel
 - If no weather station is supplied PowerWise can supply weather data from Weather Underground.



Vertical Axis
Wind Generators

CEED Energy Systems Dashboard

Custom Dashboard Portal design





Building



2A

2B

3A

3B

4A

4B

Solar PV Production

Advantix

Ventilation/Geo Tube/Liquid Desiccant Unit

Solar Hot Water Thermal

Geothermal HVAC/
Indoor Air Quality

Grey/Storm Water Reuse



Advantix

View History

Geotube CFM **248CFM**

Geotube Temp in **87° F**

Geotube Temp out **54° F**

Advantix Processing Chamber – Supply to Risers: Temp/CFM/RH **64° F/14 CFM/ 87% RH**

Advantix Regen Chamber Exhaust Air into chamber: Temp/CFM/RH & Out to discharge Temp/RH **64° F/14 CFM/ 87% RH**

Advantix Cold Water Usage in & Out: Gal/Temp **64° IN/ 73° F OUT**

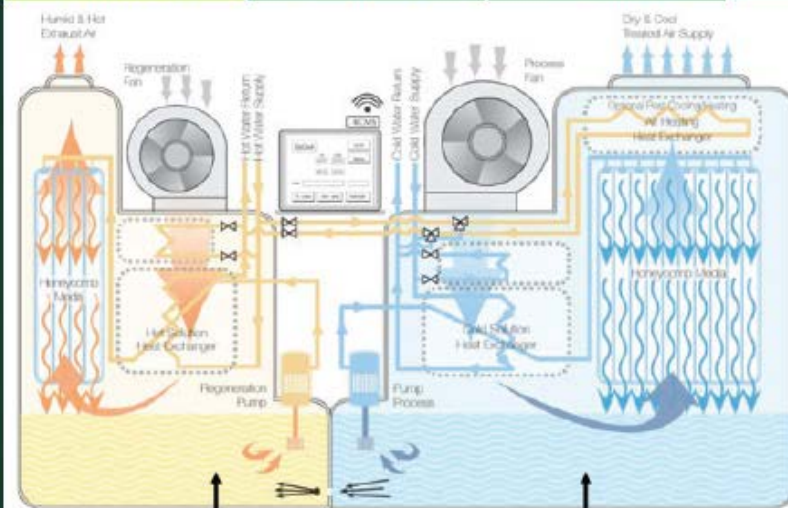
Advantix Hot Water Usage In & Out: Gal/Temp **98° IN/ 122° F OUT**

Air Pressure Sensors readings in both Supply Risers **18.6 PSI Riser 1 19.4 PSI Riser 2**

Advantix 1

Advantix 2

Advantix 3



Schematic Process Diagram

Regeneration Section

Process Section



Custom Dashboard Portal design



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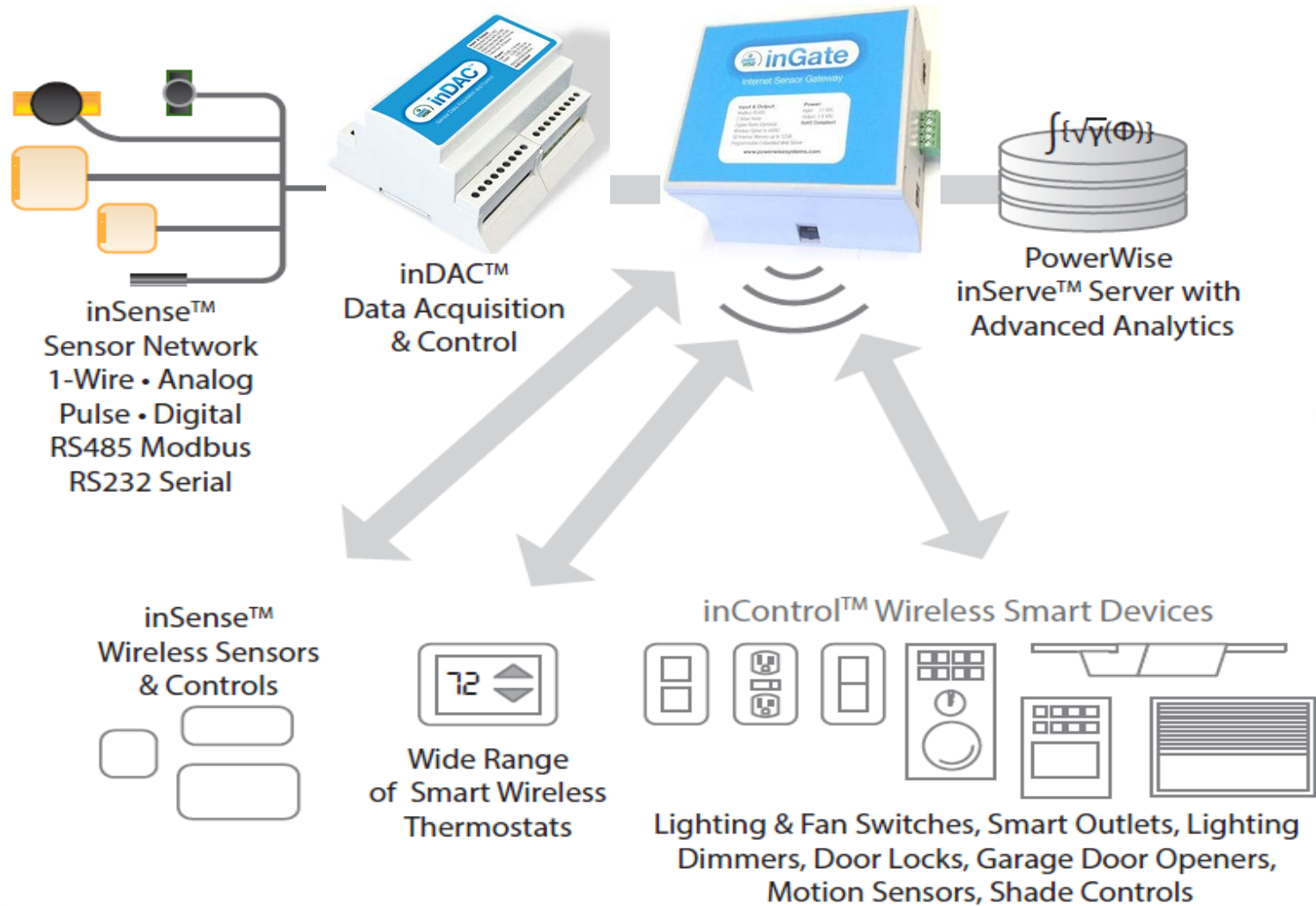
Future Monitoring & Control features

- Alert functions for all parameters
 - Temperature deviation
 - RH, CO2, VOC levels
- Deeper integration with ERV/HRV systems
- Add additional control features
 - ASHP Mini-Split
 - Lighting
 - Outlets
 - Blinds

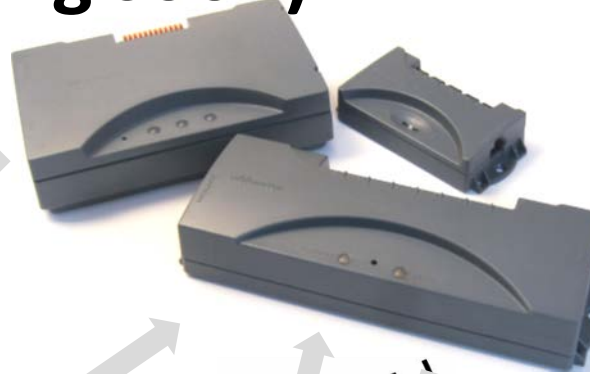
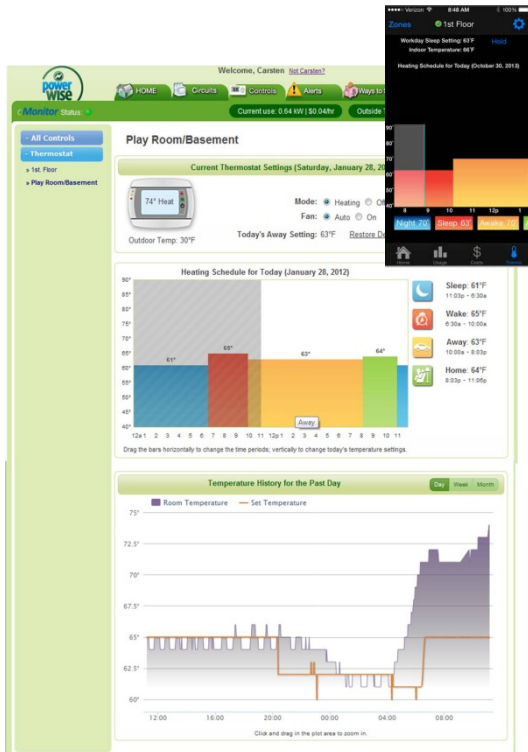


Monitoring & Control possibilities beyond electricity

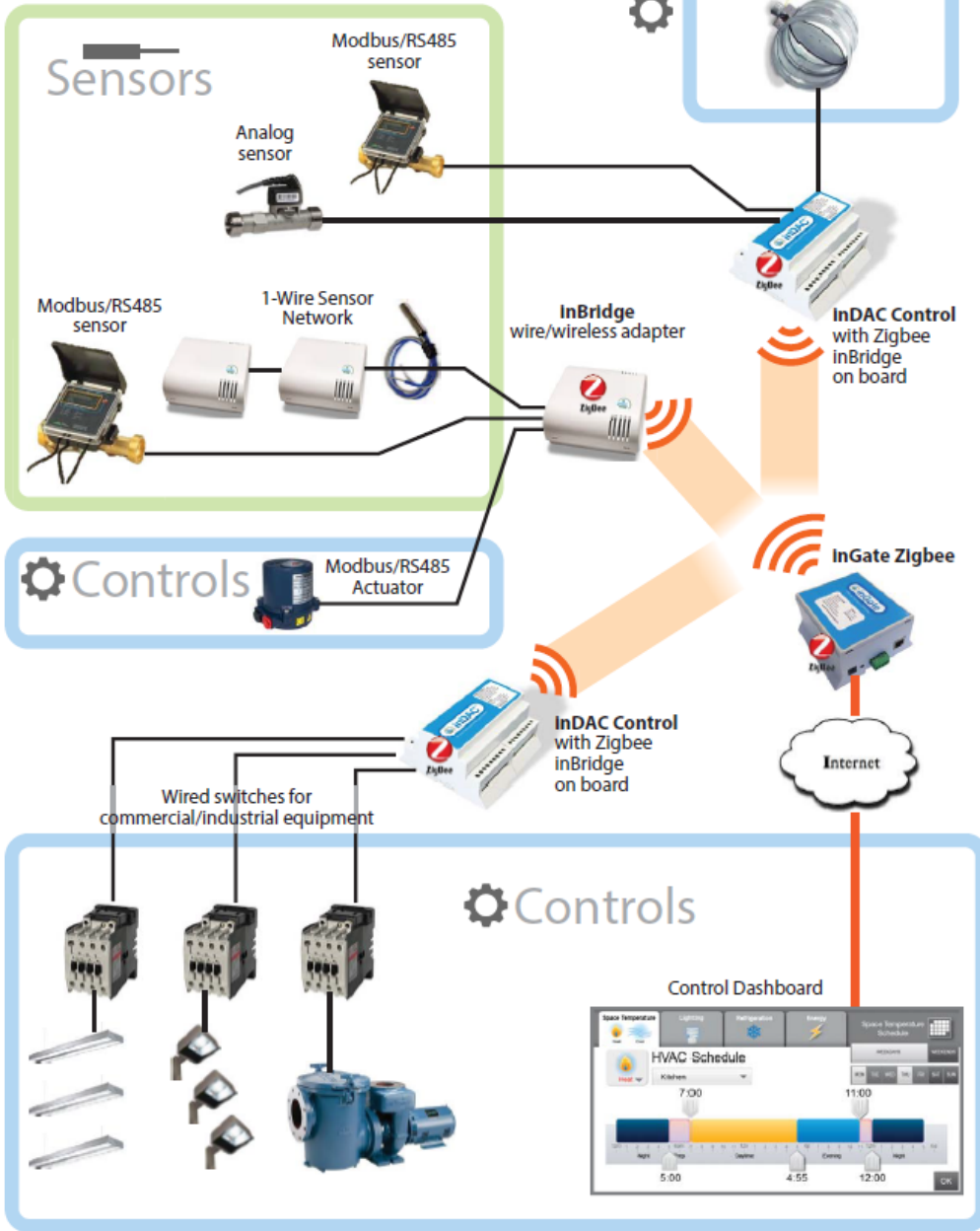
Near future announcements



Mini-Split HVAC control (coming soon)



Example Networking Possibilities



Monitoring & Control possibilities beyond electricity

Near future announcements

power wise inView™ Control Log Out App Settings

Home HVAC Lighting Schedule Settings

HVAC

HVAC 1
84°
78° Target

Lighting

Lighting 1 Lighting 2 Lighting 3

power wise inView™ Control Log Out App Settings

Home HVAC Lighting Schedule Settings

HVAC

HVAC 1
84°
78° Target

You are changing the HVAC 1 Target Temp.
Confirm Cancel

Lighting

Lighting 1 Lighting 2 Lighting 3

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Home HVAC Lighting Schedule Settings

Schedule Zone(s)
HVAC 1

Weekdays Weekend
Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

On All Day
 Off All Day

Apply Changes

10:00pm

5:00am

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Home HVAC Lighting Schedule Settings

View Schedules

Zone Name	Event	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Edit
HVAC 1	ON OFF	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	
Lighting 1	ON OFF	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	5:00 AM 10:00 PM	
Lighting 2	ON OFF	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	
Lighting 3	ON OFF	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	
Lighting 4	ON OFF	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	12:00 AM Midnight	

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