Press release **Bosch Home Comfort**



Maximum Comfort in Sub-Zero Temperatures: Meet Bosch's IDS Ultra Cold Climate Heat Pump

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Bosch becomes the first manufacturer to launch a cold climate heat pump developed for DOE Challenge

WATERTOWN, MASS. -- Bosch Home Comfort, a leading source of high-quality heating, cooling and hot water systems, is unlocking a new product category with the market launch of its latest innovation, the IDS Ultra Cold Climate Heat Pump. Originally unveiled at the AHR Expo and Consumer Electronics Show (CES) in January 2024, the IDS Ultra Cold Climate Heat Pump is advancing HVAC industry solutions with a cold climate heat pump designed for all seasons—even when the temperature falls below zero.

"The IDS Ultra has been carefully designed and rigorously tested to withstand low temperatures while maintaining strong performance," said Mohamad Nasab, Senior Product Manager. "With this latest innovation, Bosch is proud to be the first to market with an extreme heat system, as well as play a role in making energy-efficient home heating and cooling more accessible across almost all climate zones in the United States. We expect IDS Ultra to fulfill a major need for homeowners living in colder regions who are looking to reduce their carbon footprint while maintaining the same level of comfort, especially during those harsh winter months."

One of just a handful of companies to undergo extensive testing, participate and receive certification from the Department of Energy's Cold Climate Heat Pump Challenge—and the first solution from the challenge to enter the market. In order to meet the DOE Challenge's criteria, the heat pump solutions had to meet certain heating performance baselines.

Bosch's IDS Ultra can support climates reaching temperatures as low as -13° F, with a 100% heating capacity down to 5° F. Compared to 70% capacity on the IDS Premium. The IDS Ultra also achieves this greater capacity at a significantly higher efficiency, a COP of 2.1. It is also compliant with the new low global warming potential (GWP) A2L refrigerant requirements. The IDS Ultra is the first cold climate heat pump to market that meets these criteria from the DOE Challenge.

Historically, the colder it is outside, the harder it is for heat pumps to extract heat from the air. However, the IDS Ultra is outfitted with an Enhanced Vapor Injection (EVI) compressor that allows more heat to be absorbed from very cold environments and directed to warm the home, boosting performance and overall comfort on the coldest days. Additionally, the IDS Ultra features demand response capability, allowing utilities (with the homeowner's permission) to manage electrical load intelligently prior to peak usage time to avoid outages.

The IDS Ultra qualifies for federal tax credits and state rebates as an Energy Star V6.1 Cold Climate certified product. Homeowners can visit energystar.gov to learn more about the qualifying criteria and how to apply. The IDS Ultra also includes a Residential Limited Warranty and is widely compatible with existing air-to-air systems.

IDS Ultra heat pumps are now available for purchase by HVAC industry professionals in time for the 2024 winter season. For more information on IDS Ultra and Bosch Home Comfort solutions, please visit bosch-homecomfort.us/ultra

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About Bosch Home Comfort

Bosch Home Comfort is a leading source of high-quality heating, cooling and hot water systems. The Company offers Bosch tankless, point-of-use and electric water heaters, Bosch and Buderus floor-standing and wall-hung boilers, Bosch and FHP water-source, geothermal and air-source heat pump systems, as well as controls and accessories for every product line. Bosch Home Comfort is committed to reinventing energy efficiency by offering smart products that work together as integrated systems that enhance quality of life in an ultra-efficient and environmentally friendly manner.

Bosch strives to bring the most energy-efficient and environmentally responsible products to global consumers. In delivering the best products at affordable prices to our markets, Bosch has established multiple collaborations and joint ventures on a global scale to bring the latest technologies to North America. All global manufacturing facilities must adhere to stringent quality standards in order to provide the trusted Bosch brand. For more information, visit www.bosch-homecomfort.us

About Bosch

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