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## Three letters = a big difference

As you think of improving your home's energy efficiency, HRV may be the three most important letters that you hear this year.

HRV stands for "heat recovery ventilator," a piece of equipment that can help you save energy and money while making your home more comfortable. HRVs draw fresh outdoor air through a heat exchanger, where they capture about 70 percent of the warmth in stale air that has already been circulated throughout the house. While one fan channels the fresh air into your duct system, another fan sends the stale air outdoors.

If you try to seal up your home without installing a mechanical ventilation system such as an HRV, you run the risk of under-ventilating your home. A recent study by Natural Resources Canada (NRCAN) shows that many houses—especially those built since 1990—lack ventilation. The result is stale air, mould growth and condensation on windows and even inside walls—problems that can affect your health and cost you money.

The EnerGuide for Houses Program can help you improve your home's ventilation and understand how to conserve energy. Our expert energy advisors will assess your home's heating, cooling and ventilating equipment and insulation levels. Then they will conduct a "blower door" test to measure air leakage. The advisor uses a computer model to estimate your home's current energy use and recommends the most affordable energy-sav-

ing options.

If your home needs to have an HRV installed, here are some tips:

- Make sure that the unit is installed and balanced by a professional who is certified by the Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Institute of Canada.

- Once your HRV is in place, it's important to keep it running all the time.

- You can maximize your HRV's performance by keeping its filters clean. Most filters can be dusted, or washed in soap and water and reinserted.

Every time we use energy from fossil fuels such as coal, oil and gas, we produce the greenhouse gases that contribute to climate change. NRCAN's Office of Energy Efficiency developed EnerGuide for Houses to help the environment. The program provides a wealth of unbiased, expert advice on every aspect of home energy efficiency—from HRVs to hot water heaters and furnaces to windows and walls. The service is offered through private sector and provincial/territorial organizations across Canada.

For more information on energy savings at home, visit the EnerGuide Web site at <http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/energuide>. You can also call 1 800 387-2000 (toll-free) to receive the name of an EnerGuide for Houses advisor in your area and a free publication called Operating and Maintaining Your Heat Recovery Ventilator (HRV).

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