

The Winners of the Emerson Cup Award Announced

Industry experts praise contributions of the Emerson Cup to China's Residential Central Air-Conditioning Industry

Shanghai, China, December 30, 2004 – Winners of the Emerson Cup were announced recently at the Third Annual China Residential Central Air-Conditioning Appliance Technology Conference in Shanghai. A dozen companies from around China were recognized during a special ceremony. Emerson Climate Technologies was the cosponsor of the event that was organized by the China Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Industry Association (CRAA).

Mr. Shang Shireng, secretary-general of CRAA, remarked, "Both the energy efficiency and the quality of design and installation of air conditioning systems are key elements in optimal system performance and to the future of the residential central a/c. China is witnessing rapid growth in the residential and commercial construction industry. It comes with the fast development of the residential central a/c market."

Emerson Climate Technologies played an important role for many of this year's winners. One-third of the winning systems were powered by the company's Digital Scroll technology. The winners are: Shanghai Gree a/c sales company, Hualing Central a/c limited, Beijing Jiangong design institute, and Shanghai Jieneng Limited. Gree, Hualing, Midea, and Samsung provided the systems they used with Digital Scroll technology separately.

In only its second year, the Emerson Cup is already helping increase interest and understanding of residential central a/c among China's a/c manufacturers, real estate developers, design institutes, architects, consultants and end users. Industry experts and professors from respected universities were present and made speeches on the development of residential central air-conditioning in China. More than 200 participants attended the conference and awards ceremony.

Galen Yin, China sales director of Emerson Climate Technologies, said, "We are working hard to share our expertise with winning companies like those honored today, as well as with the industry here in China. We have initiated an industry certification program for all dealers and installers of central a/c systems. This training program, which is rapidly gaining popularity, is set to help those dealers and installers achieve best practices."

A representative, one of the award winners said, "This is an excellent forum for exchanging ideas with industry experts both in China and abroad. The Emerson Cup plays an irreplaceable role in helping to infuse higher technology into the industry and drive it forward."

Mr. Yin also emphasized: "Energy saving is a popular issue in China, especially in the a/c industry, and Digital Scroll Technology is the leading solution. Our mission is to encourage the development of the central a/c market in China, through an environmentally friendly technology that can save energy, improve the appearance of buildings and enhance the living environment of the Chinese people."

In cooperation with the Chinese government and relevant industry associations, Emerson Climate Technologies is sharing its experience and expertise to drive the development of standards in China for energy efficiency, design and installation, and is well positioned to offer energy-saving products and solutions to serve commercial, residential and industrial markets.

In September this year, China's government officially announced three national standards for air conditioning energy efficiency. Emerson Climate Technologies was one of the active participants in this program.