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CONSUMERS SHOULD KNOW THE MOST EFFICIENT WAY TO HEAT THEIR HOMES

There is an overwhelming consensus, across industries, that efficient and sustainable heating & cooling solutions and technologies are readily available to meet the Paris Agreement's goal of keeping a global temperature rise this century well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels and to pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase even further to 1.5 °C. There is no lack of technological innovation, but these products need to be scaled up and deployed to reach the people. EPEE, representing the refrigeration, air-conditioning and heat pump industry in Europe, is committed to provide and promote sustainable solutions that are fit for the future, demonstrating the industry's contribution to carbon neutrality.

As the European Commission is considering the introduction of a single energy label for air-conditioning heat pumps up to 12 kW and local space heaters, EPEE strongly supports this proposal that would foster the uptake of renewable and energy efficient solutions and help consumers easily compare and choose home heating technologies.

Separate labels for space heaters and heat pumps do not make sense. They all have the same purpose – heating of one or more rooms in residential and commercial buildings – and a single label would ensure comparability between different solutions. The same principle has already been applied for the existing energy label for heat pumps and boilers and sent a very positive and strong signal to citizens and industry in Europe.

The adoption of a single energy label for heat pumps and local space heaters would represent a major milestone towards the achievement of the EU climate and energy targets, improving energy efficiency and promoting the use of renewables.

ABOUT EPEE:

The European Partnership for Energy and the Environment (EPEE) represents the refrigeration, air-conditioning and heat pump industry in Europe. Founded in the year 2000, EPEE's membership is composed of 40 member companies, national and international associations.

EPEE member companies realize a turnover of over 30 billion Euros, employ more than 200,000 people in Europe and also create indirect employment through a vast network of small and medium-sized enterprises such as contractors who install, service and maintain equipment.

EPEE member companies have manufacturing sites and research and development facilities across the EU, which innovate for the global market.

As an expert association, EPEE is supporting safe, environmentally and economically viable technologies with the objective of promoting a better understanding of the sector in the EU and contributing to the development of effective European policies. Please see our website (www.epeeglobal.org) for further information.

As part of the activities EPEE and its members are undertaking to raise awareness on sustainable cooling, EPEE will launch a broader [#CountOnCooling campaign](#). The [EPEE White Paper](#) "Count on Cooling: A five-step approach to deliver sustainable cooling" examines the crucial role of cooling in the 21st century.

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