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Quiet Assistants Lend Help to Technicians

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Calling a person a “tool” is no compliment, but a device that can truly assist a person in performing work duties is a prized commodity and gives the word a positive meaning. The seventh annual Dealer Design Awards champs in the Tools category highlight the best of what an HVACR tool can be: a device that aids greatly a technician in resolving an HVACR problem of some sort.

Gold Winner

The Appion Inc. Tez8 Speed System™ vacuum pump is a combination of the Appion Tez8 Vacuum Pump™ and MegaFlow Speed Kit™. (The MegaFlow Speed Kit consists of four MegaFlow™ hoses, two vacuum-rated valve core removal tools, and one multi-port gauge manifold.) The Totally E Z Oil Management (TEZOM™) makes it easy to monitor oil quality and helps the technician to identify and change wet or dirty oil on the fly. It is air-cooled by a custom high-speed turbine fan so the pump stays cooler and the oil stays thicker and seals better, longer.

The clear debris-monitoring tube prevents contamination from entering and damaging the pump. The debris tube is also a positive-pressure relief to eliminate accidental oil showers. The Tez8 also features an adjustable four-port input for easy connection and a garden hose threaded output for remote exhaust.

The ultra-flexible hoses allow the technician to attach large-diameter hoses in restricted locations. Designed for evacuation, the hoses will not collapse and remain fully open and unrestricted during evacuation. The MegaFlow Valve Core Removal Tool™ features a side-port access valve and vacuum-tight isolation valve to allow for easy, accurate reading of system vacuum levels. The Tez8™ allows the user to change the oil while the pump is running, without breaking the vacuum. The 5-Second Oil Change™ makes maintenance of the Tez8 easy and helps protect the pump against contamination and corrosion.

Large industrial systems, as well as residential systems, can be evacuated in one-quarter of the time it takes with a traditional vacuum system, and fast evacuation helps to ensure a proper evacuation of a system at the time of installation or service, according to the manufacturer.

The lightweight and easy hook Tez8 Speed System gives the

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Tez8 Vacuum Pump



GOLD WINNER: The Appion Inc. Tez8 Speed System™ vacuum pump is a combination of the Appion Tez8 Vacuum Pump™ and MegaFlow Speed Kit™.

technician the ability to bring the right tool to the job regardless of the size or inconvenient location of the system.

A judge commented, “This is a great tool. Having used previous models, we know this will be a great addition.” Another noted, “The Tez8 provides fast evacuation and it can outperform larger pumps. These are important features.” A third judge said, “It sure is a cleaner way to do it.”