CASE STUDY APPLICATION

COMMERCIAL DINING HVAC

PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT

ONE CHAIN, TWO LOCATIONS – PARAGON RTU VS. TRADITIONAL RTU

CaptiveAire serves and monitors a restaurant chain with two locations in Kansas City. One of the locations, **Site A**, utilizes CaptiveAire **Paragon HVAC** to handle the HVAC demands and the other location, **Site B**, utilizes traditional (non-modulating) On/Off rooftop units (**Trad. RTU**). The restaurants have nearly identical building design parameters and operation patterns. CaptiveAire analyzed the space condition and equipment usage data at each site and compared a full year of performance.

Data trends over the full year suggest Paragon HVAC as the superior solution:

- More precise space temperatures show improved comfort
- Lower overall utility costs
 - Despite fully conditioning the kitchen's make-up air (MUA)
- Proper runtime from superior controls and overnight setbacks
 - 32% reduction by eliminating excess overnight HVAC usage
- Less equipment cycling from full modulation extends unit lifetime
 - 59% fewer cooling equipment cycles
 - 46% fewer heating equipment cycles
- Reduced need to mix return air to condition outside air
 - Met the same conditioning demands with 57% less total air movement and significantly cut blower energy demands
 - Less total air allows for downsized, reduced-cost ductwork



As demonstrated by the data gathered throughout a full year, CaptiveAire's Paragon HVAC offers a vastly superior solution for handling outside air precisely, cost-effectively, and in a manner that protects component lifetimes when compared to a traditional RTU.



Average Equipment Use per Day



Average Equipment Cycles per Day

ture (F)				
Space Temperature (F)				
Space 65				
	Site A Dining Paragon	Site A Kitchen Paragon	Site B Dining Trad. RTU	Site B Kitchen Trad. RTU

Space	Temperature	Ranges	When	Occupie	d

Location	Customer Volume	Electricity	Natural Gas
Site A (Paragon)	156,575	\$24,884	\$5,257
Site B (Trad. RTU)	148,175	\$25,675	\$6,242
Comparison	6% Busier	3% Savings	16% Savings

Utility Comparison: Site A (Paragon) vs. Site B (Trad. RTU)

