Mitsubishi Corporate Knowledge File No. 2 - R22 Replacement

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## R22 Replacement, time is running out?

The time is fast approaching when R22 refrigerant will no longer be available in the UK. After December 31st 2009, it will be illegal to use virgin R22 HCFC's for the maintenance and servicing of air conditioning equipment.

Manufacturers and suppliers will not be allowed to stockpile virgin R22 refrigerant after this date with **no exceptions**. It will therefore be increasingly difficult to run and maintain older equipment.

Reclaimed R22 will still be available as a legal alternative, but can this supply be relied on and how much will this cost as demand outweighs supply?

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From the middle of 2009 most of the UK suppliers will no doubt start to decrease the amount of R22 they stock until supplies of virgin gas are completely diminished.

As one of the UK's top air conditioning manufacturers for both VRF and split system DX systems, we are urging our clients to 'take action now'!

It is therefore very important for all R22 users to begin to plan for the phase out of R22. There is limited time available before the end of 2009 and as there is no guarantee recycled R22 will be available we urge you to act now so in the next eighteen months you are not caught out!

F-Gas regulations are now in force imposing various obligations on the operators of refrigerant plant using HFC refrigerants. These are specifically set out to help reduce the potential leakage of HFC refrigerants such as R410A which are fitted to all our new systems as standard.

As a Mitsubishi Electric Corporate client we would like to help you manage this programme by offering any help or advice you require with regard to these changes

Why not take advantage of our Power Inverter range of equipment that has a unique replace feature, allowing the use of existing pipework on old split systems. This feature greatly reduces installation costs and site down times and we are the only manufacturer in the UK to offer this facility.

For further details on R22 phase out or replace technology, please ring us on **0870 3000 070** and ask for Angela or Carl in the Corporate Sales Operations Division.

Act now and don't get caught out on this important change!

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