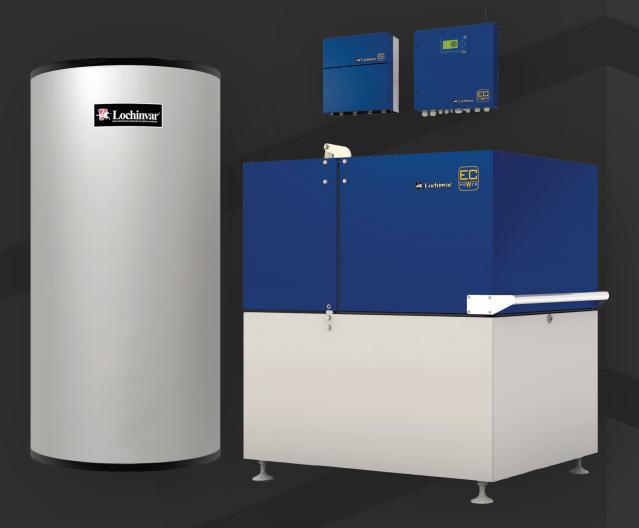


Greater savings in areas where electricity costs are high.



# GROWING DEMAND FOR COGENERATION SOLUTIONS

**XRGI<sup>®</sup>25** MICRO COMBINED HEAT AND POWER APPLICATION GUIDE

# THE NEXT GENERATION IS COGENERATION

Combined Heat and Power (CHP) technology—often called "cogeneration"—is a game changer for light commercial facilities across North America. Our new MicroCHP (< 50 kWh)solution gives you the high-efficiency water heating you'd expect from Lochinvar while simultaneously generating electricity as it heats. This means once it's installed, you will see an instant drop in your electricity bill.

Our commitment to give you the broadest lineup of water heating solutions has led us to partner with EC POWER. As the #1 European producer of commercial MicroCHP systems where cogeneration technology is already widespread, EC POWER shares our value for providing the most reliable and efficient products possible.

### **INGENUITY YOU EXPECT FROM LOCHINVAR**

Since MicroCHP is a relatively new technology in North America, its adoption is being driven by a company with the resources and know-how to introduce new products. At Lochinvar, we have what it takes to offer customers the benefits of both proven water heating technology and on-site electricity generation. With the ability to provide storage tanks, control units and everything else needed for easy installation, nobody brings the power of cogeneration together like Lochinvar.

# **MICROCHP FEATURES**

#### **1. EASY INSTALLATION**

Lochinvar's MicroCHP is designed to be easily installed by most trained contractors, making a traditionally complex system much easier to install and service.

#### 2. FULL SYSTEM COMPATIBILITY

Not only is Lochinvar providing a top-of-the-line MicroCHP, but also the additional storage tanks and control units to complete the system. Once installed, cogeneration systems like MicroCHP can achieve extraordinary conversion efficiencies of up to 90 percent.

# **OBJECTIVES**

- Optimize operation and interaction between the Micro Combined Heat and Power "µCHP" and the heating system.
- $\cdot$  Cost-effective integration of the  $\mu$ CHP into existing or new heating system(s).

# **INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS**

- Piping diagrams within this document are for reference only. Design and install any necessary hydronic, safety and control components in accordance with local regulations.
- Only install this system with storage tanks designed for  $\mu$ CHP (general use storage tanks are **not** designed to meet the needs of the  $\mu$ CHP system).
- High return temperatures can cause malfunctions. Avoid excessive flow in the μCHP system. Operate the heating system at the lowest possible return temperatures.
- Refer to the Installation and Operation manual for information on hydronic and electrical connections.
- Proper hydronic integration (and prevention of short cycling) is necessary to comply with warranty conditions.







# TECHNICAL DATA FOR THE XRGI®25



Cogeneration

Product Summary

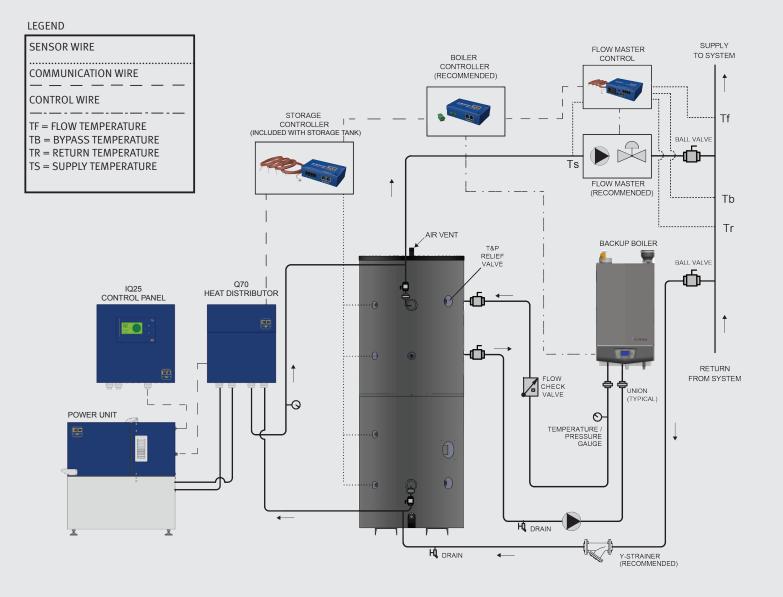
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POWER UNIT			
Manufacturer	EC POWER		
Generator			
Output	kW (Btu)		
	24 (81,891)		
Туре	Asynchronous / Induction		
Engine			
Cylinders	Qty		
	4		
Ignition	Distributorless, Direct Fire		
Combustion	Stoichiometric		
Rotation Speed	RPM		
	1850		
EFFICIENCY			
Electrical (LHV/HHV) 100% Load	31%/28.14%		
Heat (LHV/HHV) 100% Load	62%/50.52%		
Overall (LHV/HHV) 100% Load	93%/78.66%		
ELECTRICAL			
iQ25 Contral Panel			
Input	480 V/ 3 PH / 60 Hz		
480 Leg	(3 hot, 1 neutral, 1 ground)		
Input, Max Fuse	Amps		
	63		
Output (3 phase)	Amps	kW	
	36	24	
Short Circuit Rating	kA		
(SCCR)	10		
Grid Connection	Direct		
Protection Grade	IP		
	54		
Q70 Heat Distribut	or		
Input	240 Volts		
	(1 hot, 1 neutral, 1 ground)		
Input, Max Fuse	Amps		
	10		

Size	(inch)	
	(3) Adapters Included	
Material	UL 1738 Approved	
Length	ft (m)	
	150 (45.7)	
Temperature Max	°F (°C)	
	250 (121)	
FUEL		
Input	Btu (kW)	
	262,000 (76.8)	
Туре	Natural Gas	
Input Max (Static)	WC (in.)	
	20	
Input Min (Static)	WC (in.)	
	4.5	
Connection	NPT 3/4 in.	
	Adapter Included	
HYDRONIC		
Piping,	BSP 1- 1/4 in.	
Unit Connection Size	Hoses Included	
Piping, System Connection Size	NPT 1- 1/4 in. Adapters Included	
Rated Hot Water Outlet	°F (°C)	
	185 (85)	
Max. Hot Water		
mux. not water	°F (°C)	
March II + W +	185 (85)	
Max Rated Hot Water	°F (°C)	
	167 (75)	
Output	Btu (kW) 163,000 (47.7)	
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iQ25 CONTROL PA	NEL DIMENSIONS	
Width	in. (mm)	
	23-5/8 (600)	
Height	in. (mm)	
	23-5/8 (600)	
Depth	in. (mm)	
	8-3/4 (210)	
Weight	lb (kg)	
-	66.1 (30)	
MAINTENANCE		
Interval (run hours)	Hours	
-	4000	
ENVIRONMENT		
Maximum Ambient	°F (°C)	
Temperature	95 (35)	
POWER (ENGINE)	UNIT DIMENSIONS	
Width	in. (mm)	
-	29-1/2 (750)	
Length	in. (mm)	
-	44-1/8 (1120)	
Height	in. (mm)	
-	46-1/8 (1170)	
Weight	lb (kg)	
(ready to operate)	1501 (681)	
Q70 HEAT DISTRIE	BUTOR DIMENSIONS	
Width	in. (mm)	
	21-3/4 (550)	
Height	in. (mm)	
-	23-5/8 (600)	
Depth	in. (mm)	
-	11-5/8 (295)	
Weight	lb (kg)	
	97 (44)	

# PIPING DIAGRAM: HYDRONIC INSTALLATION

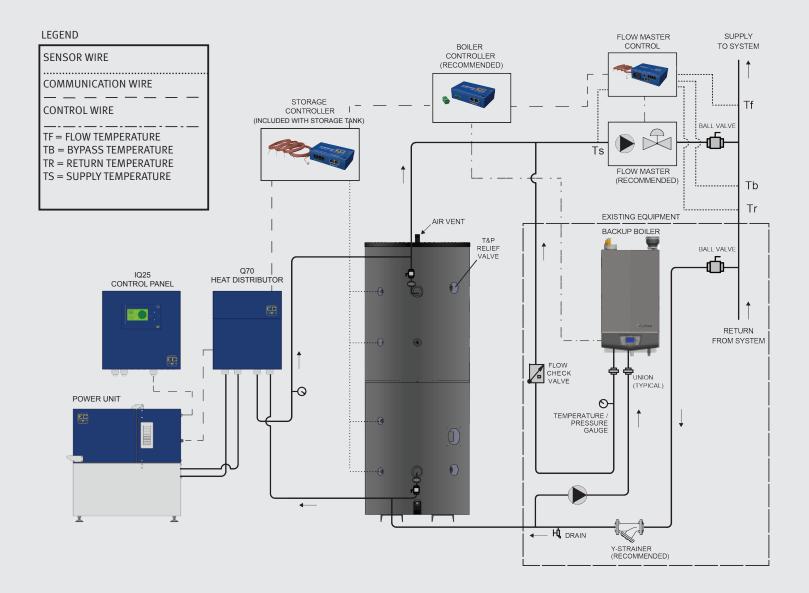


#### NOTES

Always set TF higher than the system set point in the control settings to give the MicroCHP priority over the heating system so the unit always supplies the base load heat.

Select the flow master size based on the discharge capacity required.

# PIPING DIAGRAM: HYDRONIC RETROFIT

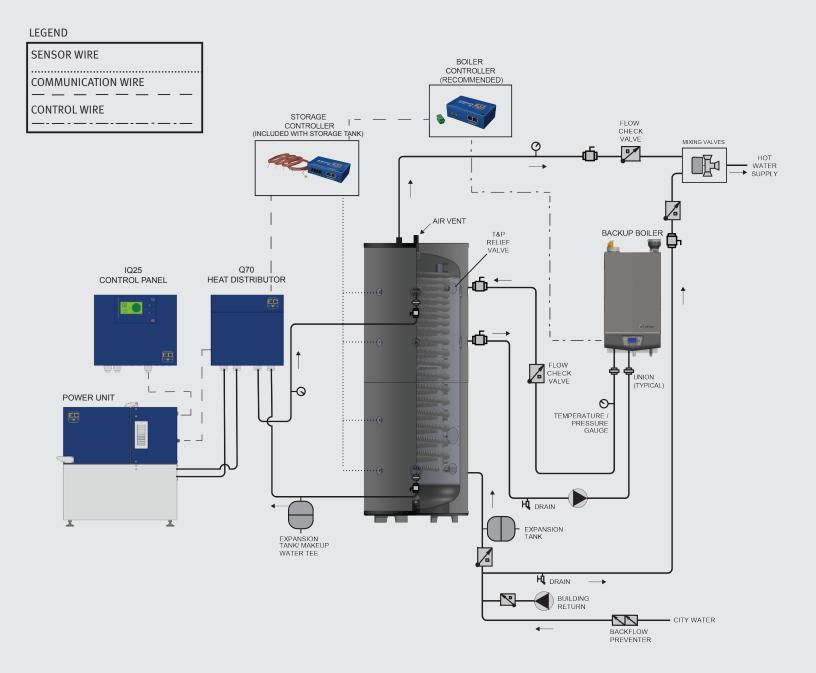


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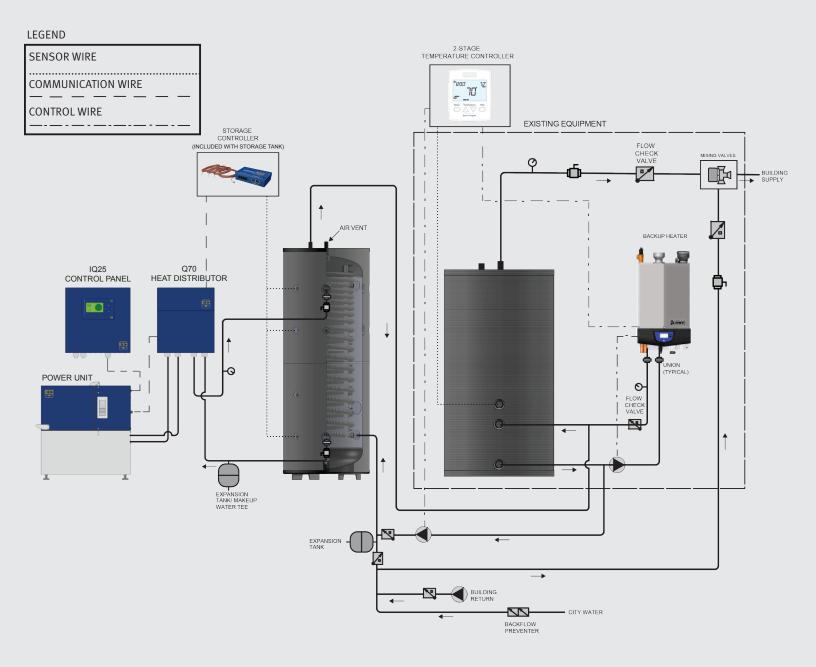
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## PIPING DIAGRAM: DHW NEW INSTALLATION



#### NOTES

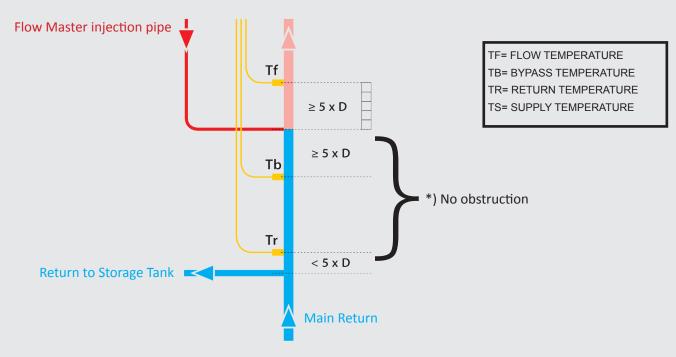
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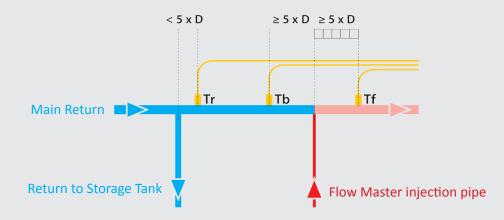
#### NOTES

# FLOW MASTER SENSOR INSTALLATION GUIDE

INSTALLATION IN VERTICAL PIPEWORK (UPWARD FLOW):



#### INSTALLATION IN HORIZONTAL PIPEWORK (CONNECT TO UNDERSIDE OF MAIN):



### CONSIDERATIONS

Ensure there are absolutely no obstructions to the flow (e.g. check valve) on the main pipe between the Flow Master and Storage Tank. The Flow Master will automatically maintain the correct direction of flow between these connections.

Note the following when installing the temperature sensors.

- · Install temperature sensors in immersion sleeves to obtain accurate and faster readings.
- · Ensure that the heating water in a vertical piping configurations flows upwards (ascending).
- Ensure that the temperature sensors (in immersion sleeves) in horizontal piping configurations are fitted from above and the supply and return connections are fitted from below.
- $\cdot$  Distance from Tf to the injection line of the  $\mu$ CHP/Storage Tank: **minimum of 5 x D** (pipe diameter).
- $\cdot$  Distance from Tb to the injection line of the  $\mu$ CHP/Storage Tank: minimum of 5 x D (pipe diameter).
- · Distance from Tr to the return line of the  $\mu$ CHP/Storage Tank: **maximum of 5 x D** (pipe diameter).

When installing the injection line from the Flow Master, ensure that the  $185^{\circ}F$  hot water injected from the  $\mu$ CHP is well mixed within the main flow of heating water and that there is no temperature stratification in the pipe (particularly at low flow rates).

# FLOW MASTER CONTROL



# **HOW IT WORKS**

The Flow Master Control is supplied with the Flow Master and regulates the delivery of heat from the  $\mu$ CHP to the system supply (via the Flow Master valve and variable speed pump) to maintain the required supply temperature Tf set on the IQ Control Panel. The Flow Master Control also protects the  $\mu$ CHP system from excessively high return temperatures, automatically prevents reverse flow between  $\mu$ CHP/Flow Master connections, and ensures minimal consumption of electricity by the pump.

The Flow Master maintains the set temperature at Tf by mixing 175-185°F water from the µCHP system into the supply system water. Variations in heat loads and flow rates are compensated for by the Flow Master valve operation and the pump speed; the supply temperature Tf is therefore maintained regardless of the heat load. The pump will stop if the Flow Master valve closes completely (i.e. no heat load).

The heat storage will fill up if the heat load is lower than the heat produced by the  $\mu$ CHP. The  $\mu$ CHP will stop production once the heat storage is full. During periods of peak demand, it will wait until there is sufficient cooling capacity in the heat storage before it restarts, otherwise it will wait until the minimum heat reserve has been reached before starting - none of this affects the steady supply from the Flow Master.

If the heat load is greater than the heat produced by the  $\mu$ CHP, the heat storage will discharge. When the storage has fully discharged, the temperature Ts at the Flow Master will fall and the Flow Master Control accordingly calculates a maximum supply temperature Tf as basis of control.

The Flow Master Control automatically adjusts to actual flow rates and return temperature conditions to achieve stable and precise control. Abrupt changes in supply loads and flow rates are compensated for by special functions to immediately recover and maintain steady control under all circumstances.

# **FLOW MASTER**

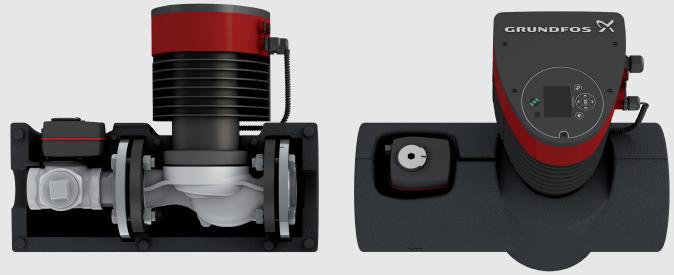


Figure shows FM type 350

### **HOW IT WORKS**

The Flow Master is a motorized valve and variable speed pump unit controlled by the supplied Flow Master Control module. The heat storage enables the  $\mu$ CHP system to service short-term peak loads way beyond the normal output of the Power Unit. This minimizes the need for supplemental heat from backup heating units and maximizes the number of runtime hours and electrical production of the Power Unit. The Flow Master should therefore always be able to deliver at least twice the normal Power Unit heat output, and generally significantly more.

The normal heat outputs are based on a delta T of 35°F between the  $\mu$ CHP flow and main return, corresponding to a main return temperature of 140-150°F. The Flow Master heat output will increase proportionally with lower return temperatures.

The Flow Master provides steady regulation down to approximately 2% of maximum load (provided it has been installed correctly).

FM Туре	Thermal output	<b>ΔT</b> (at a return of 140 to 150°F)	Maximum flow rate
FM 50	170,000 BTU/HR	35°F	9.5 GPM
FM 150	512,000 BTU/HR	35°F	28.5 GPM
FM 250	853,000 BTU/HR	35°F	47.5 GPM
FM 350	1,194,000 BTU/HR	35°F	66.5 GPM

# **STORAGE CONTROL**



### **HOW IT WORKS**

The Storage Control is supplied with and manages the storage tank(s). The temperature sensors detect the stratification layer between hot supply water and cold return water. The clear separation of the two is crucial for proper operation of the  $\mu$ CHP system.

# THE $\mu$ CHP SYSTEM REQUIRES AT LEAST ONE STORAGE CONTROL WITH FOUR (4) TEMPERATURE SENSORS. OPERATION IS NOT POSSIBLE WITHOUT THIS CONTROL.

Fully automated Storage Tank management is achieved with the following characteristics:

1. Ensuring a minimum runtime for each start:

The Power Unit only starts when there is sufficient cold water in the Storage Tank.

2. Maximum servicing of heat demand by the  $\mu$ CHP system:

The Power Unit starts before the Storage Tank is empty. The heat reserve needed is continuously determined based on the actual supply profile.

The reserve capacities determined by the  $\mu$ CHP system vary according to season and heat demand profiles. For instance, in the colder months the system will try to maintain a very high heat reserve, whereas the "cold reserve" requirement will be minimal. The situation will be reversed in lower heat demand periods, with the system maintaining a much smaller heat reserve along with a larger "cold reserve" to ensure sufficient periods of operation.

# **STORAGE TANK**



Tanks include Storage Control

### **HOW IT WORKS**

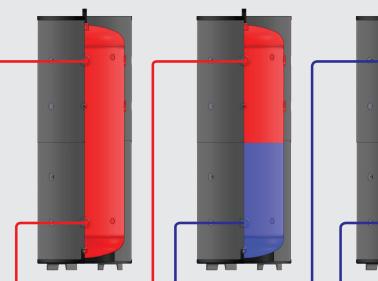
The Storage Tank forms an integral part of the  $\mu$ CHP system and is **REQUIRED** for proper operation of the system. It ensures that any temporary drops in heat load below the output of the Power Unit do not cause the Power Unit to stop, and enables the  $\mu$ CHP system to service temporary heat loads beyond the output of the Power Unit. When heat loads are below the output of the Power Unit for extended periods of time, the Storage Tank allows the  $\mu$ CHP system to operate longer and schedule operation according to power load patterns on site.

If multiple Storage Tanks are used, they must be installed in series. Experience has shown that parallel or reverse return circuits do not operate

satisfactorily and must not be utilized.

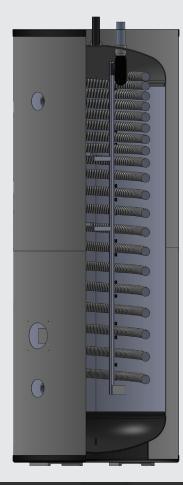
Use a minimum of one (1) Storage Control with four (4) temperature sensors for a storage capacity of 250 gallons.

The Lochinvar Storage Tank with built-in Storage Control ensures proper operation of the  $\mu$ CHP system.





# **DHW TANK**



Tanks include Storage Control

### **HOW IT WORKS**

The Domestic Hot Water (DHW) Tank works in much the same way as the Storage Tank, with the addition of an indirect coil installed in the tanks interior. It functions alongside the  $\mu$ CHP's control system to ensure proper operation and control over the heat stored in the tank.

- $\cdot$  Potable water is passed through the coil allowing it to absorb heat stored in the tank by the  $\mu$ CHP.
- Cold water is fed into the bottom connection of the coil maintaining the stratification effect within the volume of the tank.
- Indirect heat transfer provides a second layer of separation between potable DHW and the Power Unit's cooling glycol.

Application of the  $\mu$ CHP in DHW systems is quite flexible. In new installations, auxiliary heat can be supplied by a boiler tied directly to the DHW Tank as shown in the piping diagrams. Retrofit applications may be directly supplemented by injecting the heated DHW to existing storage.

### **BOILER CONTROL**



### **HOW IT WORKS**

The Boiler Control ensures optimum operation of the  $\mu$ CHP and the peak load heating unit (boiler or water heater). A contact in the Boiler Control activates the heating unit to produce heat when consumption exceeds the heat produced by the  $\mu$ CHP and the storage tank is almost empty. The heating unit stops as soon as heat production by the  $\mu$ CHP exceeds consumption.

# THE BOILER CONTROL IS CONTROLLED BY THE TWO TOP STORAGE CONTROL SENSORS S1 & S2 IN THE STORAGE TANK AND THE PREDETERMINED FLOW TEMPERATURE TF.

If the heat consumption is higher than the heat produced by the  $\mu$ CHP over the long term, the top storage tank sensor S1 reads cold. The Boiler Control enables the peak load heating unit to produce heat until the second storage tank sensor from the top S2 reads a sufficient temperature. When this occurs, the Boiler Control disables the peak load heating unit.

The optional installation of the Boiler Control ensures that the peak load heating unit is only enabled when it is needed in order to maximize the operation time of the  $\mu$ CHP.



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