



Venstar's Wireless Temperature Sensor Named 2017 Product of the Year by Electronic House

Wireless Temperature Sensor Improves Indoor Comfort and Provides Added Insight

CHATSWORTH, Calif., June 1, 2017 — [Venstar®](#), a leading thermostat and energy management systems (EMS) manufacturer, today announced that its new [Wireless Temperature Sensor](#) (Model ACC-TSENWIFI) has been named 2017 Product of the Year in the Thermostat category by Electronic House. Compatible with [ColorTouch®](#) and [Explorer™](#) Wi-Fi® residential and commercial thermostats, Venstar's Wireless Temperature Sensor is available throughout North America from Venstar's exclusive network of Wholesale HVAC Distributors.

"We are very proud to receive the 2017 Product of the Year Award for Venstar's Wireless Temperature Sensor," said Steve Dushane, president and CEO of Venstar Inc. "With its many uses, Venstar's Wireless Temperature Sensor helps commercial and residential users improve indoor comfort and provide added visibility into the health of the HVAC system."

Venstar's Wireless Temperature Sensor has "multiple personalities" in a single solution. Easy to set up with the Configurator App, the sensor may be configured as an outdoor sensor, indoor remote sensor, return air sensor or supply air sensor. When used as a remote temperature sensor indoors, it can help average temperatures to eliminate cold or hot rooms, such as averaging restaurant temperatures between the kitchen and dining room. It can also be used in a specific location, such as the baby's room, walk-in refrigerator or wine cellar, to control the temperature just in that precise area.

When used as a supply air sensor in conjunction with Venstar's free [Skyport™ Cloud Services](#), the sensor will sample supply air every 20 seconds. If the supply air temperature is not as expected, it will send email alerts to the owner and/or contractor's mobile device using Venstar's free [Skyport Mobile App](#). This enables the user or contractor to identify and repair the specific malfunctioning HVAC equipment before energy costs can sky rocket. The wireless sensor is shipped with a stainless steel Duct Sensor to make supply air sensing installations easy.

When used to sense the outdoor temperature, it can manage dual fuel residential systems and help reduce gas usage and lower energy bills where fossil fuels cost more than electricity.

For larger commercial facilities, up to 20 Wireless Temperature Sensors can be used per network. They can be set up to work individually or together to help ensure a consistent, average temperature.

The sensor can operate from one to five years (depending on application) using four AA batteries, making it completely untethered with no need for external power. It also works with 24vac power, giving the user a choice of power supply.

Priced under \$50 wholesale, this do-it-all wireless sensor is a bargain for the contractor and is easy to install.

About ColorTouch Touchscreen Thermostats With Wi-Fi Inside

Venstar offers six models of its [ColorTouch](#) programmable touchscreen thermostats: three for residential use and three for commercial use. All of the models have a multi-functional, simple-to-use, graphic touchscreen. The color touchscreen can be programmed to display a picture gallery of up to 100 photos to be used as a slideshow. Select models offer Wi-Fi inside for remote monitoring and control using Venstar's Skyport Cloud Mobile App. Select models also include humidity control and are OpenADR certified. ColorTouch thermostats are compatible with virtually every type of commercial heating and air conditioning system and are compatible with smart home automation solutions, including [Amazon Echo/Alexa](#).

About Explorer Programmable, Wireless Thermostats

Venstar offers seven models of its affordable, fully featured programmable Explorer thermostat: three commercial, three residential and one that is designed for school environments. Designed for ease of use, Explorer thermostats feature large, easy-to-read displays with easy setup and controls. Explorer thermostats feature "Simple as You Want" operation with a choice of programming options. Select models also include the ability to control or monitor a second temperature sensor, control humidification/dehumidification, Energy Watch functionality and are OpenADR certified. The top-of-the-line commercial model also features a light sensor to determine occupancy and if the lights are left on. Optional wireless modules include Wi-Fi, [ZigBee](#) and [Z-Wave](#), making Explorer the most flexible and affordable thermostat solution for automation and the Internet of Things. Explorer thermostats are compatible with virtually every type of commercial heating and air conditioning system.

For additional integrations, Venstar's Application Programming Interface (API) enables developers and hobby programmers to integrate the thermostats with other third-party systems, including most home automation systems.

About Venstar Inc.

[Venstar Inc.](#) is a leading thermostat and energy management system (EMS) manufacturer, known for providing value to its customers via ease of use and installation, proven cost savings, improved energy efficiency, quality and reliability. Founded in 1992, Venstar is one of the largest thermostat suppliers in the world and designs and produces Venstar-branded products as well as OEM thermostat products for the biggest names in HVAC. Venstar's Surveyor is a leading energy management system, typically saving small-box retailers 20–35 percent of their energy costs, which translates to tens of millions of dollars in savings each year and dramatic reductions in CO₂ emissions. Surveyor currently controls the energy usage of 25,000+ retail locations across the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico and Mexico.

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