



## **Venstar's ColorTouch Wi-Fi Thermostat Named Product of the Year by Business Intelligence Group**

CHATSWORTH, Calif., Oct. 6, 2016 — [Venstar®](#) today announced that its [ColorTouch®](#) touch screen Wi-Fi® thermostat was named a "2016 Product of the Year" by Business Intelligence Group's [BIG Award for Business](#) awards program. The BIG Awards reward companies, products and people that are leading their respective industries.

"We are proud to acknowledge Venstar's ColorTouch Wi-Fi thermostat as a 2016 Product of the Year Award winner. ColorTouch displays differentiation in its design, meeting the technology, mobility and intuitivity needs of residential and commercial users," said Russ Fordyce, managing director of the [Business Intelligence Group](#).

"We are honored to win the BIG Product of the Year Award for our ColorTouch Wi-Fi thermostats," said Steve Dushane, president and CEO of Venstar Inc. "ColorTouch residential and commercial thermostats have a friendly and intuitive touch screen, can be remotely controlled by our Skyport Mobile App and are compatible with many smart home solutions."

Venstar offers six models of its ColorTouch programmable touch screen thermostats: three for residential use and three for commercial use. All of the models have a multi-functional, simple-to-use, graphic touch screen. The color touch screen 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™](#) mobile app. Select models also include humidity control, which can utilize information from the Wireless Temperature Sensor to enable averaging of air temperatures across the entire location for a more comfortable, energy-efficient environment. 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 Business Intelligence Group**

The [Business Intelligence Group](#) was founded with the mission of recognizing true talent and superior performance in the business world. Unlike other [industry award programs](#), business executives — those with experience and knowledge — judge the programs. The organization's proprietary and unique scoring system selectively measures performance across multiple business domains and then rewards those companies whose achievements stand above those of their peers.

### **About Venstar Inc.**

Founded in 1992, 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. 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 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Surveyor currently controls the energy usage of 24,000+ retail locations across the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico and Mexico.

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