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ECM Resistance Is Futile

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ECM Motors

- ECM
 - ECM Evolution and Industry Regulation
 - Overview ECM Technology
 - How to teach ECM

- Please sign attendance sheet
- NATE Recognized Provider Form



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• Thumb Drive

How well do you know your industry?

- Brand recognition due to acquisition.
- Evolution of ECM technology.
- Effects of industry regulation.

What is the Genteq® Brand?

- Regal Beloit acquired General Electric's HVAC Motor business in 2004.
- Products offered by Regal Beloit after this acquisition (formerly offered by GE) were branded "GE ECM by Regal Beloit" for several years.
- In 2009, Regal Beloit announced the rebranding of this product line under the name, "Genteq" Sqenteq

 Regal Beloit Corporation is a US publicly traded company (NYSE) headquartered in Beloit, Wisconsin.



What does the Genteq® brand represent?

- 30 years of ECM technology and innovation
 - ECM technology was introduced in 1987
- The leading brand in ECM technology in OEM applications and retrofit motors



ECM Integration Overview

- 1987 CONSTANT AIRFLOW ECM introduced to HVAC
- 2006 SEER 13 Regulation
- 2019 Fan Energy Rating (FER) Regulation
 - Indoor blower & motor efficiency standard for furnaces
 - Electrical Efficiency Requirement (Regulates Watts/CFM)
 - Does not specify ECM to meet standard
 - Does not restrict the use of PSC
 - Lab testing suggests ECM will be needed to meet the standard
 - Effective Date July 1, 2019

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ECM Integration Overview

- OEM HVAC Indoor Blower Motors in 1986
 - Furnace, Air Handler and Package Unit applications
 - 100% PSC Motors
 Direct drive



ECM Integration Overview

- OEM HVAC Indoor Blower Motors in 2005
 - Furnace, Air Handler and Package Unit applications
 - 85% PSC Motors



1987-1992

1992-1998

 15% Constant Airflow (Variable Speed) ECM Motors

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Industry shift due to technology evolution (Constant Airflow ECM introduced in 1987)



1998-2013

ECM Integration Overview

- OEM HVAC Indoor Blower Motors in 2006
 - 45% PSC Motors
 - Furnace



- 40% Constant Torque ECM Motors
 - Air Handler and Package Unit
- 15% Constant Airflow (Variable Speed) ECM Motors
 - Furnace, Air Handler and Package Unit

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Industry shift due to SEER 13 Regulation (Constant Torque ECM introduced same year)



ECM Integration Overview

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ECM Evolution (Next generation 16-pin and new 4-pin Constant Airflow motors)



ECM Integration Overview

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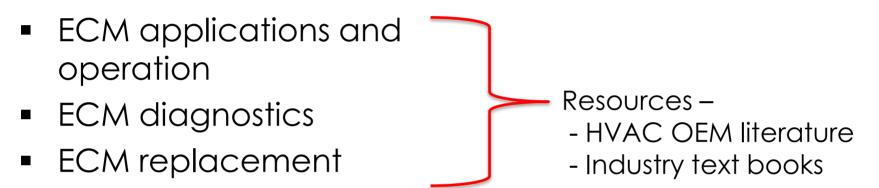
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New design from Genteq[®] Separate line and 24vac input plugs



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HVAC ECM Educational Needs



- Retrofit ECM
 - Motor manufacturer's literature

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Constant Airflow ECM



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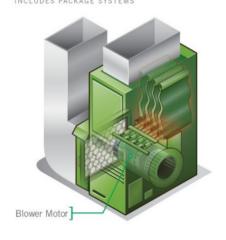
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Constant Airflow ECM

- Applications
 - HVAC Indoor Blower
 - Premium Systems
- Communicated
 - Output adjusted at OEM controls using OEM literature
 - Airflow values programmed by OEM unique to each HVAC system.

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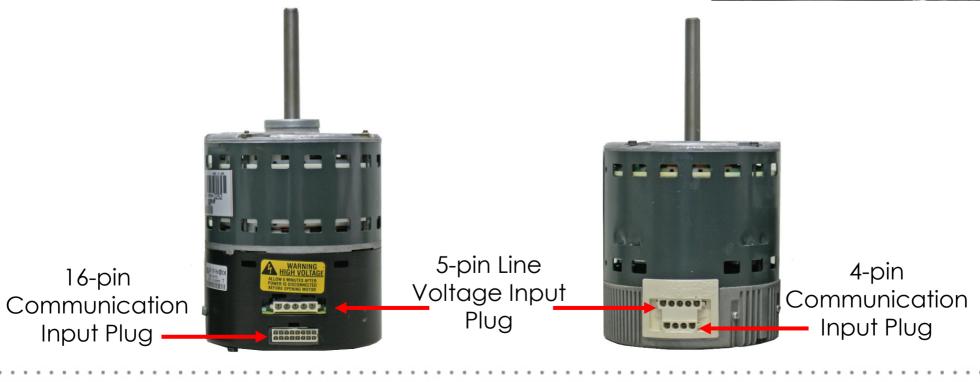




Communicated ECM

- Unique communication between OEM control board and ECM control
- Determines airflow and comfort settings

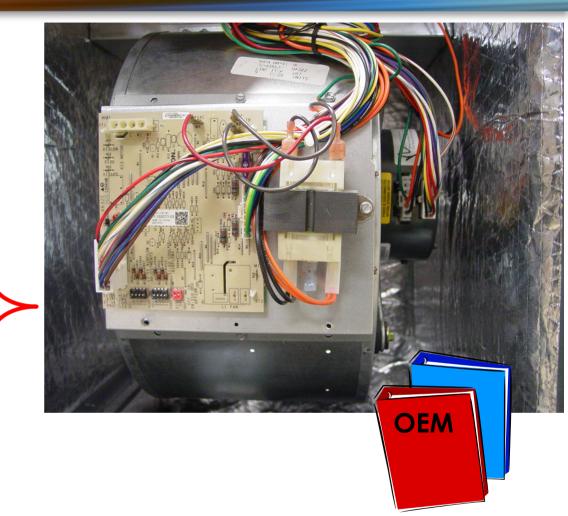




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Installation Set-up

- Cooling Airflow
- Heating Airflow
- Trim/Adjust Multipliers
- Climate (delay) Profiles
- Humidistat Option
- Continuous Fan



Operational issues and component failure can be directly related to improper system configuration.

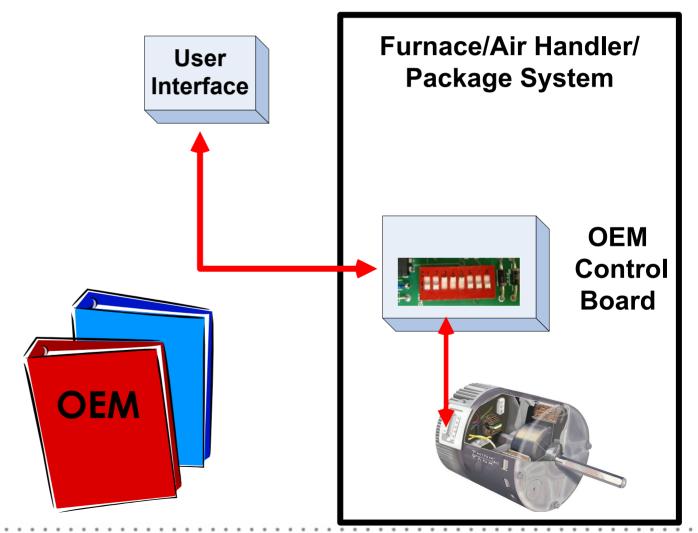
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Α	800	0	0								
В	1000	1	0								
С	1200	0	1								
D	1400	1	1								

	Heating Airflow Selection									
	Temp Rise Range (30 - 60°F)									
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	CFM	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Rise (°F)
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в	600			1	0					47
С	650			0	1					43
D	700			1	1					40

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С	-10%					0	1				
D	N/A					1	1				

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Climate/Delay Profile Selection									
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Α							0	0	
В							1	0	
С							0	1	
D							1	1	



Airflow (Why TESP is so important)

- Airflow remains constant within OEM guidelines

 Typical guidelines (0.1 1.0 TESP)
 OEM airflow characterization
- Above maximum TESP airflow will decrease
- Higher TESP = Higher energy consumption
- Continuous high TESP = Decreased Motor life

Hz	Voltage	НР	PF	Motor Type	PSC	vs.	Const	ant A	irflow
60	115	1/2	0.9	PSC (Induction Motor	r)				
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3 Ton					TESP	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.9
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				A	Amps	4.81	5.64	6.39	7.22

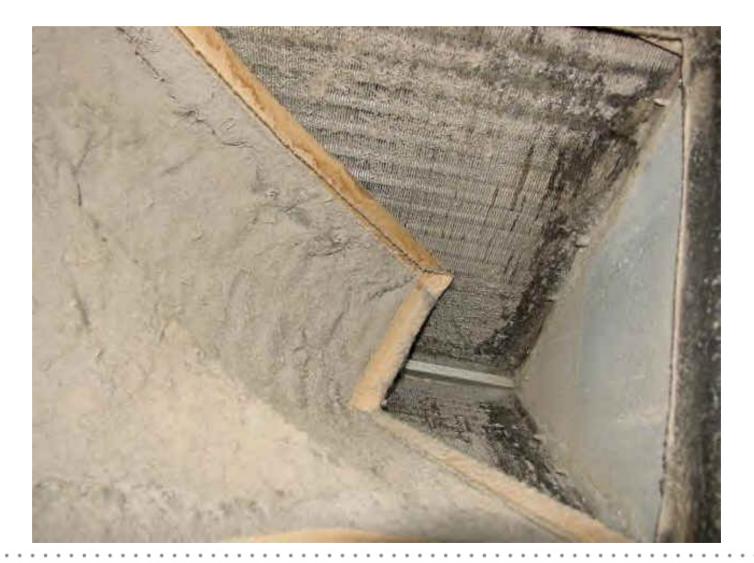
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ECM Motors are not the cure for bad ductwork!



ECM Motors are not the cure for negligence!



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Diagnostics

- Control Diagnostics
 - Line Voltage
 - Communication
- Motor Diagnostics
 Ohms



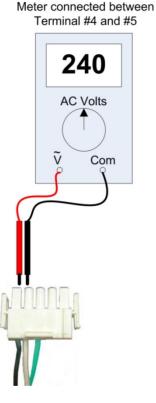
All Genteq OEM ECM Indoor Blower Motor diagnostics are covered in the ECM Service Guide.

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- Included in free app TheDealerToolBELT

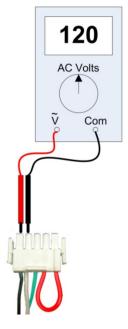
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Line Voltage Input



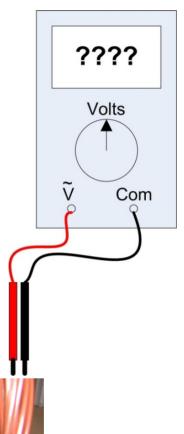
Meter connected between Terminal #4 and #5

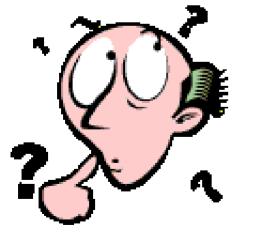




Communication Input

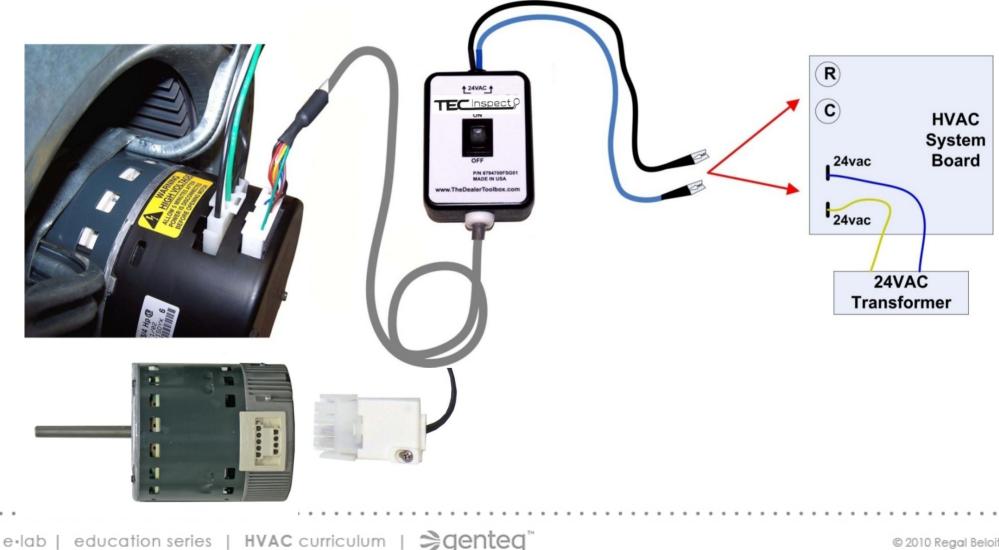
- Communication inputs can be diagnosed with OEM literature.
- Required OEM literature must be obtained directed from each OEM for each individual unit.







• Run test with TECINspect – Genteq Motors



Diagnostics – Genteq Motors

- If ECM operates with TECINspect
 - Diagnose OEM board with OEM manual





Diagnostics – Genteq Motors

- If ECM does not operate with TECINspect
 - Replace entire ECM (motor and control) if
 - OEM specified
 - Motor fails Ohm tests (ECM Service Guide)
 - Does not rotate freely by hand

- Replace ECM control only if:



- Available from OEM
- Motor passes Ohm tests (ECM Service Guide)
- Rotates freely by hand

Motor Diagnostics

 Warning: Disconnect AC power from the HVAC system and wait 5 minutes before opening motor to avoid electrical shock from the motors capacitors.

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Motor Diagnostics

Step 1 – Unplug the 16-pin connector and the 5-pin connector from the motor control.

Step 2 – Remove the blower assembly from the HVAC system.

Step 3 – Remove the two (2) hex-head screws from the back of the control.

Step 4 - Unplug the 3-pin connector from inside the control by squeezing the latch and gently pulling on the connector.

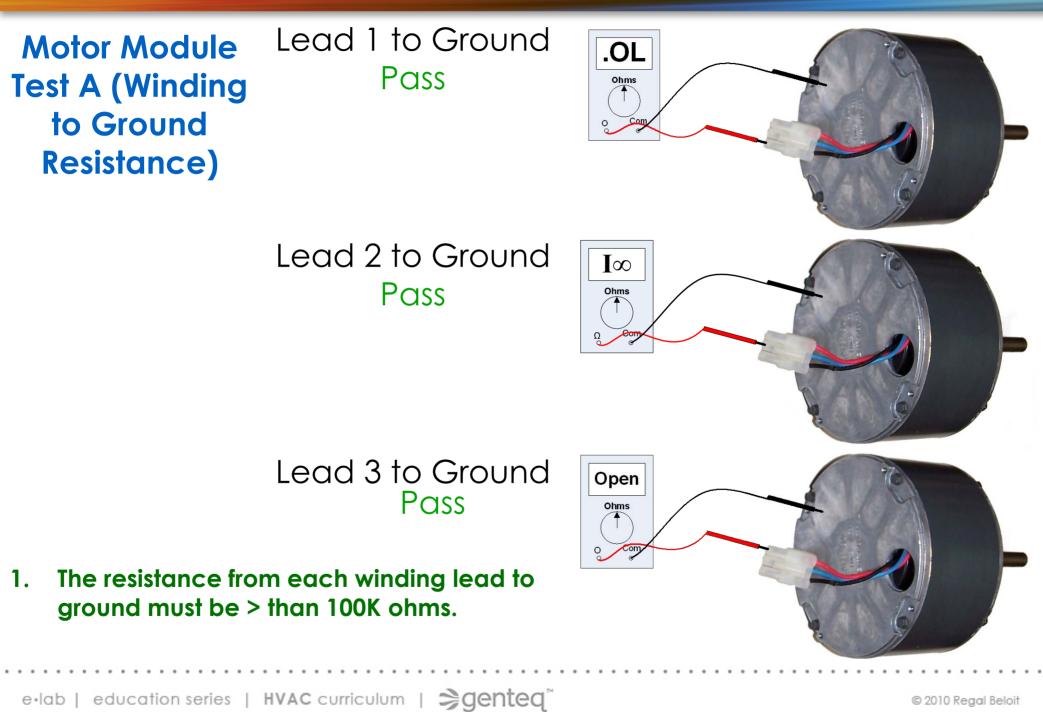






Motor Module Tests

Test A – measure the resistance between each of the 3 motor leads to the unpainted part of the end shield (models 2.0, 2.3 & 2.5) or the X brace (models Eon & 3.0).



Constant Airflow / OEM HVAC / Indoor Blower Motor Module Tests

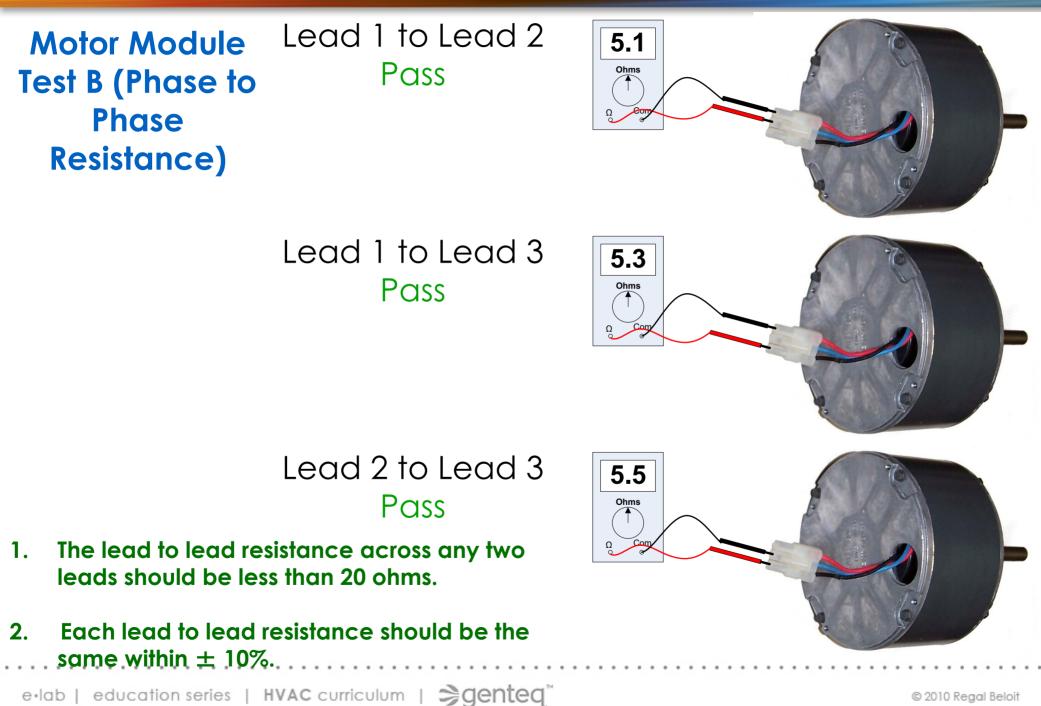
Test B – measure the motor phase-to-phase resistance by checking these combinations of the 3-pin motor connector with an ohmmeter. For the purpose of this test, start at either end of the connector as Lead 1.

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- Lead 1 to Lead 2
- Lead 1 to Lead 3
- Lead 2 to Lead 3

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- If the motor module fails either test or is difficult to rotate by hand:
 - Replace both the motor control and the motor
- If the motor module passes both tests and is easy to rotate by hand:
 - Replace the motor control only







Constant Airflow ECM Wrap-Up

- Two tools
 - Volt/Ohm Meter
 - Genteq TECINspect
 - Test the ECM Motor
- Four checks
- Accurate

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- Saves Time
- Saves Parts Change-out

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• Easily diagnose motor control and motor







Compatibility

- TECINspect
 - Genteq Models 2.0, 2.3, Eon, 3.0
 - Genteq Tool





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Genteq Model 2.5

- ECM Motor Simulator
 - Not compatible w/TECINspect
 - Early model Infinity/Evolution
 - Carrier/Bryant Tool



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CARRIER	BRYANT	PAYNE							
	90% Furnace Models								
59MN7A	987MA	PG9UAA							
59TN6A	355CAV								
58MVC	355BAV								
58UVB	355AAV								
58MVB	355MAV								
58MVP	321AAZ*								
58VUA*	320AAZ*								
58VCA*	398BAZ*								
58SXB*	398BAW*								
	80% Furnace Models								
58CVA	315A	PG8MVA							
58CVX	315J	PG8JVA							



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Repair

- Programs are specific to HVAC OEM, model and size unit
 - Replacement parts with the correct OEM program must come from HVAC OEM
 - NOT FIELD REPAIRABLE
 - Using the wrong motor voids all warranties
 - May produce unexpected results
 - Follow all instructions with replacement parts
 - Current generation products are backward compatible
 - Generic retrofit options are in the near future

Repair

- Prevent repeat failures
 - Most fatal damage caused by:
 - Water damage
 - Voltage Spikes
 - Add surge protection to homes in high risk areas
 - Operation at high Total External Static Pressure
 Measure and correct if needed

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Constant Torque ECM



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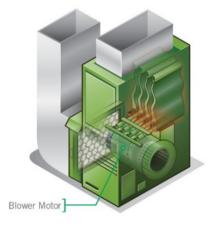
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Constant Torque ECM

- Applications
 - HVAC Indoor Blower
 - Mid-tier systems
- Multi-tap
 - Output adjusted at the motor by selecting tap values
 - Tap values (torque) programmed by OEM to match unit specifications

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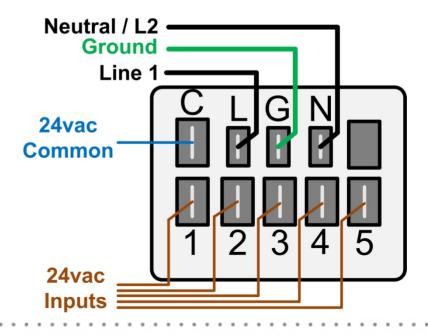




Multi-tap ECM

- Tap selection determines output
 - Similar to PSC motors
- Line voltage power supplied continuously
- Tap inputs provide on/off command and output (airflow) selection

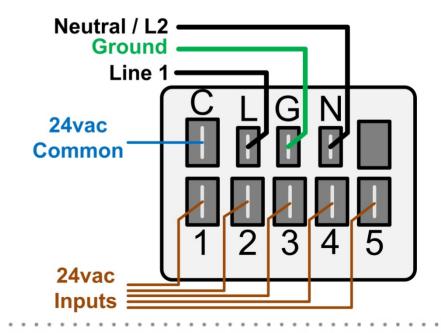




Installation set-up

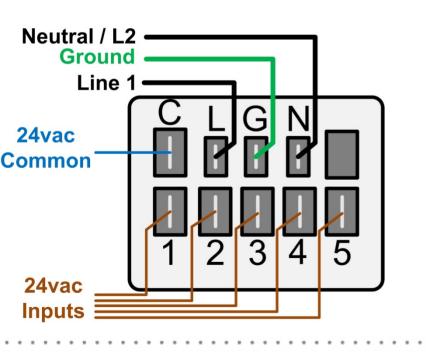
- Select taps recommended by OEM
 - OEM manuals
 - Tap configuration unit schematic
- Confirm airflow with TR or CFM measurement

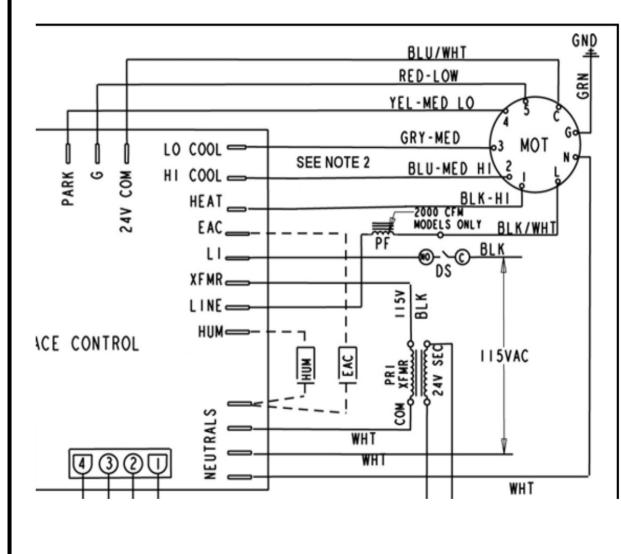




Constant Torque OEM ECM

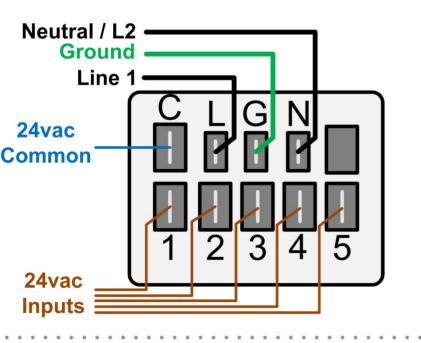
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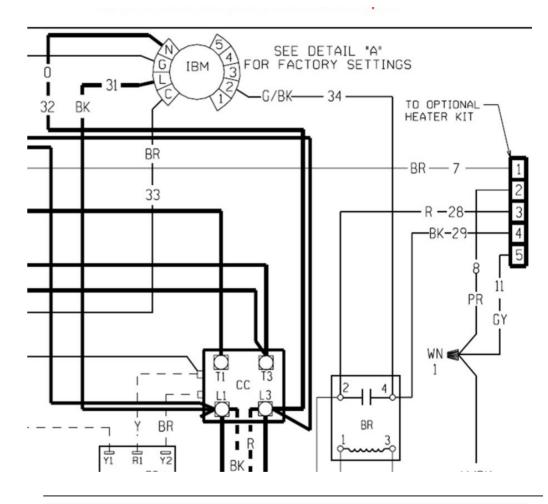




Constant Torque OEM ECM

• OEM Programming examples



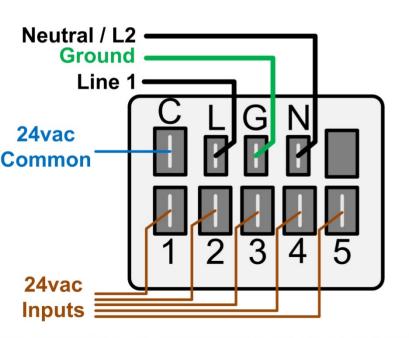


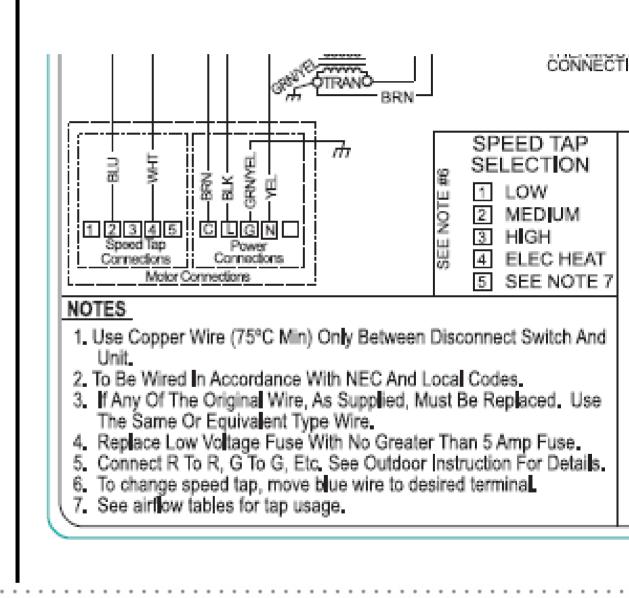
DETAIL "A"						
NOMINAL COOLING CAPACITY	MOTOR SPEED HEAT	FROM FACTORY COOL	AVAILABLE SPEEDS			
2 THRU 5 TON	LOW (TAP 2)	ITAD DI	LOW (TAP 2) HIGH (TAP 1)			

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Constant Torque OEM ECM

 OEM Programming examples





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Airflow (Why TESP is so important)

- Airflow is dictated by TESP
 - Similar to PSC
 - Factory default speed is not correct for all installations
- Higher TESP = Higher energy consumption & LESS AIRFLOW
- Continuous high TESP = Decreased Motor life

This information is not found on the unit label

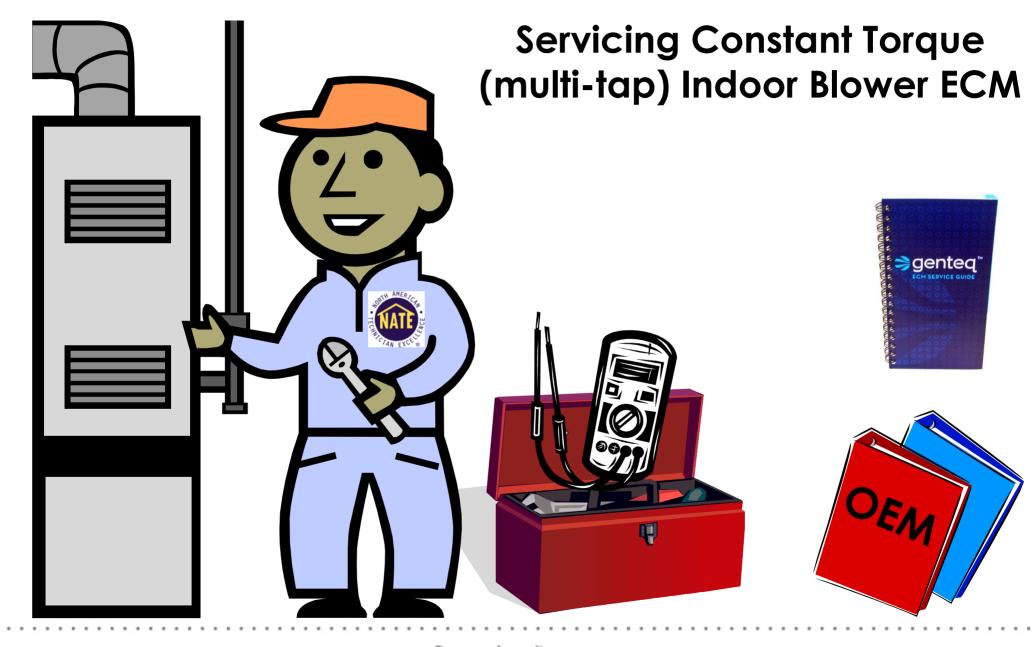
		EXTERNAL STATIC (in. wc)						
MODEL & SIZE	BLOWER SPEED	0.10	0.20	0.30	0.40	0.50	0.60	
	Tap 5	776	745	696	660	609	572	
	Tap 4	683	644	589	548	494	461	
FX4D 019	Tap 3	683	644	589	548	494	461	
	Tap 2	631	563	500	443	409	361	
	Tap 1	625	524	457	417	367	319	
	Tap 5	956	920	891	851	816	780	
	Tap 4	825	795	757	722	674	634	
FX4D 025	Tap 3	825	795	757	722	674	634	
	Tap 2	726	695	635	598	543	509	
	Tap 1	631	563	500	443	409	361	
	Tap 5	1189	1151	1104	1050	1003	959	
	Tap 4	1041	998	944	886	837	772	
FX4D 031	Tap 3	1041	998	944	886	837	772	
	Tap 2	924	876	817	752	704	660	
	Tap 1	779	693	628	571	526	476	
	Tap 5	1363	1332	1294	1253	1207	1157	
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	Tap 2	1095	1058	1007	951	888	824	
	Tap 1	1014	885	773	673	609	549	
	Tap 5	1519	1490	1454	1419	1379	1332	
	Tap 4	1437	1403	1366	1333	1294	1245	
FX4D 043	Tap 3	1437	1403	1366	1333	1294	1245	
	Tap 2	1257	1226	1191	1141	1090	1033	
	Tap 1	1237	1206	1160	1121	1070	1013	
	Tap 5	1757	1725	1693	1653	1614	1576	
	Tap 4	1664	1626	1593	1552	1517	1477	
FX4D 049	Tap 3	1664	1626	1593	1552	1517	1477	
	Tap 2	1459	1420	1379	1336	1298	1259	
	Tap 1	1301	1241	1195	1150	1102	1039	

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ECM Products and Applications (Overview)

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60	115	1/2	0.6	ECM (Constant Torque)							
Med	Speed			TESP	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.9			
High		Π		CFM	1318	1253	1182	1092			
				Watts	352	368	387	399			
			-	Amps	5.22	5.43	5.68	5.85			
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Data is from lab testing on one particular unit. Numbers may vary from one unit to another.



Diagnostics

- Control Diagnostics
 - Line Voltage
 - Tap Voltage
- Motor Diagnostics
 - Ohms





All Genteq OEM ECM Indoor Blower Motor diagnostics are covered in the Genteq ECM Service Guide.

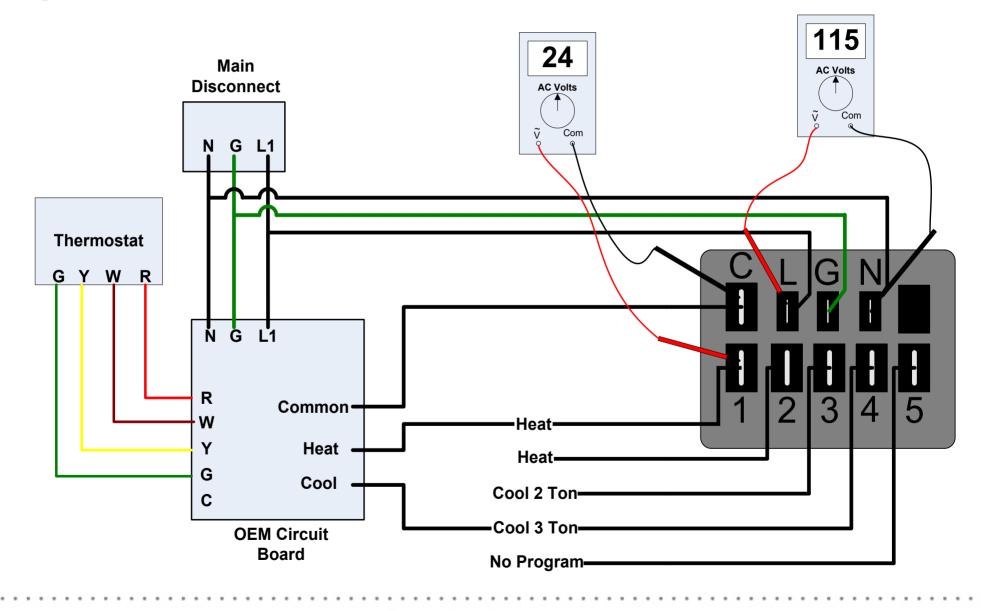
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- TheDealerToolBELT app

- Includes Genteq ECM Service Guide
- Includes operation, diagnostic and replacement videos

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Voltage checks with individual wires.



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Diagnostics

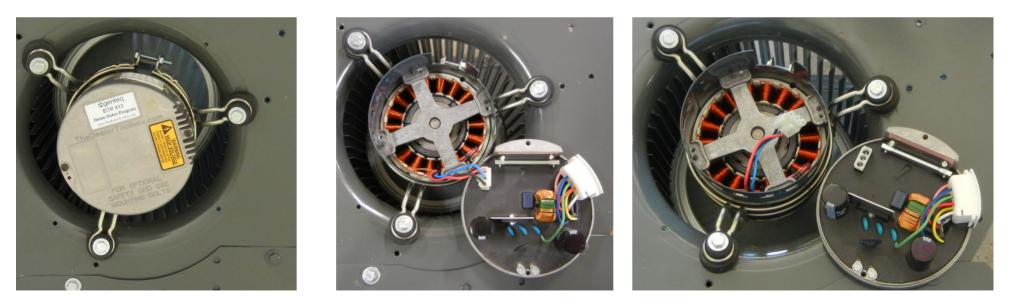
- If the motor does not operate with proper line voltage and communication voltage to a programmed tap:
 - Replace the motor control and motor if the motor fails either ohm test or does not rotate easily by hand
 - Or if OEM only provides motor control and motor as one part



Replace motor control only if motor passes ohm tests and rotates easily by hand

If the motor does not operate with proper inputs:

- Disconnect power to HVAC system
- Wait 5 minutes
- Remove motor control



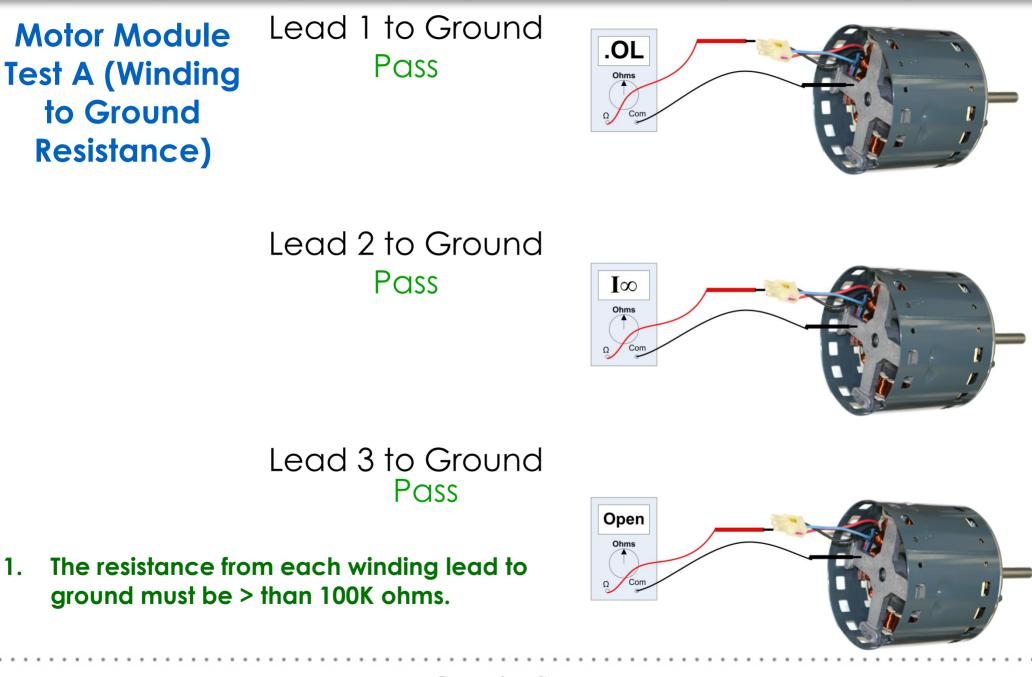
• If the motor does not operate with proper inputs:

- Perform ohm checks on motor
 - Same as Constant Airflow (Variable Speed) motor



Motor Module Tests

Test A – measure the resistance between each of the 3 motor leads to the X brace.



Constant Torque / OEM HVAC / Indoor Blower Motor Module Tests

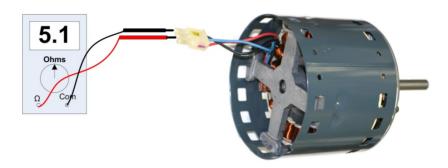
- **Test B** measure the motor phase-to-phase resistance by checking these combinations of the 3-pin motor connector with an ohmmeter. For the purpose of this test, start at either end of the connector as Lead 1.
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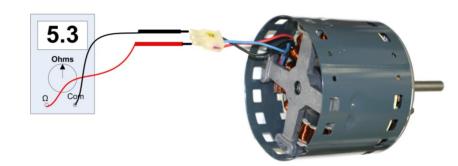
- Lead 1 to Lead 2
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Motor ModuleLead 1 to Lead 2Test B (Phase toPassPhaseResistance)



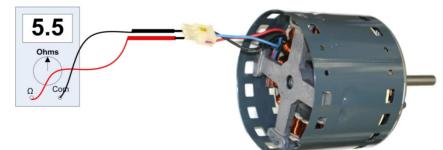
Lead 1 to Lead 3 Pass



Lead 2 to Lead 3 Pass

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Constant Torque / OEM HVAC / Indoor Blower

Constant Torque ECM Wrap-Up

- One tool
 - Volt/Ohm Meter
 - Test the ECM Motor
- Four checks
- Accurate
- Saves Time
- Saves Parts Change-out
- Easily diagnose motor control and motor



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 - May produce unexpected results
 - Follow all instructions with replacement parts
 - Generic replacements are available
 - Genteq Evergreen EM

Repair

- Prevent repeat failures
 - Most fatal damage caused by:
 - Water damage
 - Voltage Spikes
 - Add surge protection to homes in high risk areas
 - Operation at high Total External Static Pressure
 Measure and correct if needed

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Constant Speed ECM HVAC



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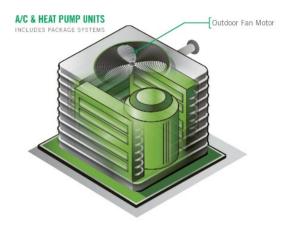
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Constant Speed ECM

- Applications
 - HVAC Outdoor Fan
 - Premium systems, 15+ SEER
- Multi-tap or communicated
 - OEM configured, no adjustments
 - Speed values programmed by OEM to match unit specifications





- Unique Application
 - Remotely located motor control



• Operation

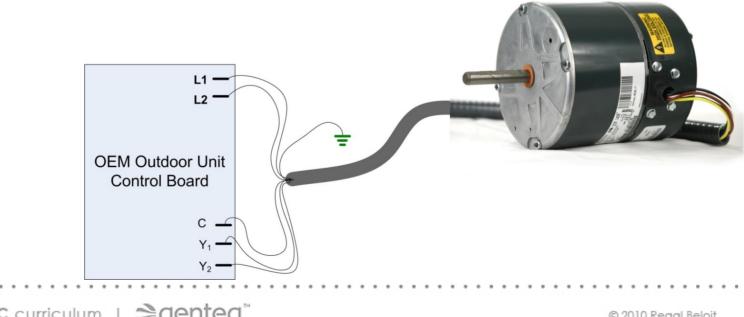
- 208-230vac continuous line voltage



- A/C or DC communication
 - OEM specific
 - Speed per demand by OEM program
- Constant Speed
- Hardwired at motor
 - No plugs at the motor
 - Wire colors OEM specific

Operation

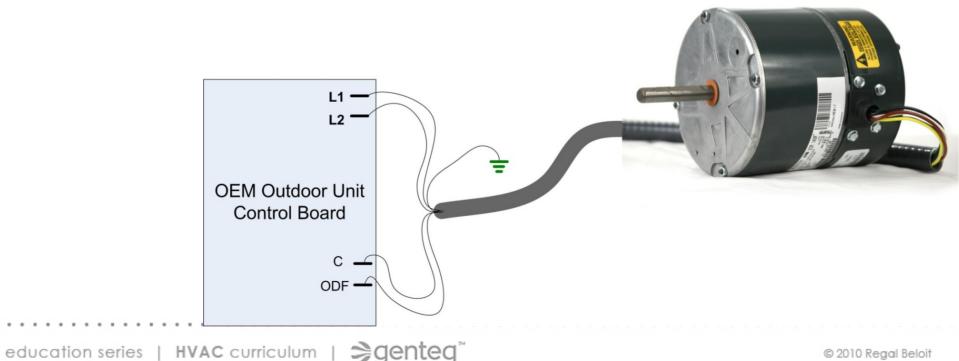
- Two stage system Two Speed
- 208-230vac continuous line voltage
 - Operates internal electronics and drives the motor
- A/C communication
 - Speed selection by demand
 - 6 wires



• Operation

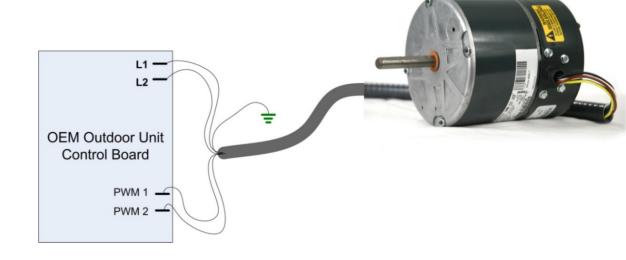
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- Single stage system Single Speed
- 208-230vac continuous line voltage
 - Operates internal electronics and drives the motor
- A/C communication
 - 5 wires



Operation

- One or Two stage system Communicated
- 208-230vac continuous line voltage
 - Operates internal electronics and drives the motor
- D/C communication (PWM signals)
 - Speed selection by demand
 - OEM Manual
 - 5 wires



Installation/Set-up

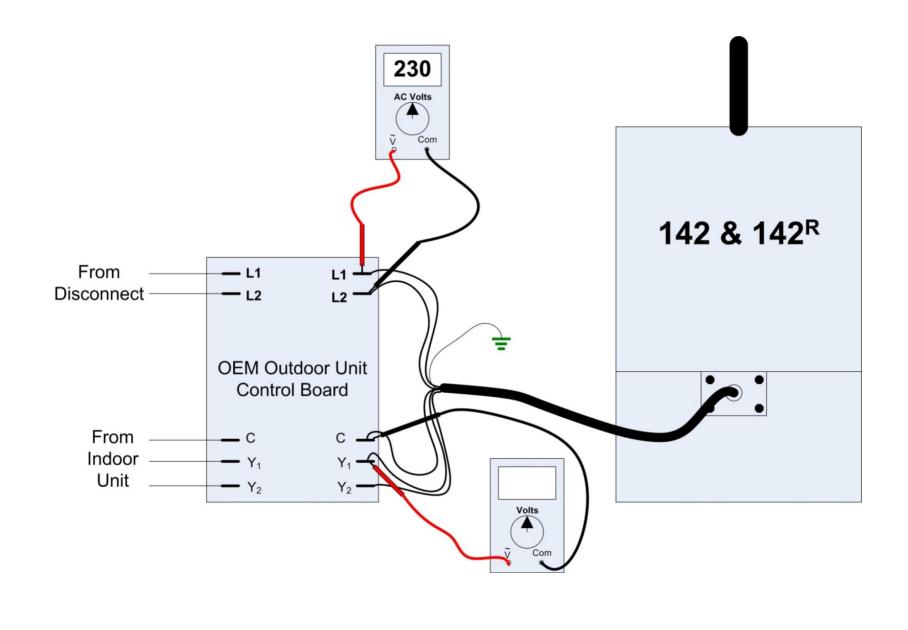
- Typically no set up
- See OEM manuals

Troubleshooting

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- Line voltage continuously powered
 - Voltage within $\pm 10\%$ acceptable
- Communication voltage by demand
 - OEM specific
 - Use OEM manual and/or schematic to confirm voltage





Repair

- Programs are specific to HVAC OEM, model and size unit
 - Replacement only available as motor and motor control
 - Replacement parts must come from HVAC OEM
 - No universal replacement parts, NOT FIELD REPARIABLE
 - Using the wrong motor voids all warranties
 - May produce unexpected results
 - Follow all instructions with replacement parts

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HVAC MOTOR REPLACEMENT OPTIONS BY TYPE AND APPLICATION

INDOOR BI	LOWER MOTORS	REPLACEMENT OPTIONS			APPLICATION		
	Induction Motor (Shaded Pole or PSC)	OEM PSC	Generic PSC	Evergreen IM Pages 4-5	FURNACE AIR HANDLERS		
	Constant Torque ECM (Genteq models X13 or Endura Pro) or equivelant competitors product w/24vac speed taps	OEM motor control only part	OEM complete part (motor control and Motor)	Evergreen EM Evergreen CM Pages 6-9			
	Constant Airflow (Variable Speed) ECM (Genteq models 2.0, 2.3, 2.5, Eon & 3.0)	OEM motor control only part	OEM complete part (motor control and Motor)	NO GENERIC/ RETROFIT PARTS AVAILABLE			
OUTDOOF	R FAN MOTORS	REPLACEMENT OPTIONS			APPLICATION		
	Induction Motor (Shaded Pole or PSC)	OEM PSC	Generic PSC	Evergreen OM Pages 10-11	A/C & HEAT PUMP UNITS INCLUDES PACKAGE SYSTEMS		
		2	OEM complete	NO GENERIC/			
	Constant Speed ECM (Genteq models 142 & 142R)	OEM motor control only part NOT AVAILABLE	OEM complete part (motor control and Motor)	NO GENERIC/ RETROFIT PARTS AVAILABLE			

OEM = Original Equipment Manufacturer (Manufacturer of the HVAC Furnace/Air Handler/Package System)

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- Training Tools
 - ECM Service Guide and diagnostic tool

Understanding Electronically Commutated Motors by Christopher Mohalley

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- Understanding Electronically Commutated Motors (book)
- o Video Training
- Dealer Tool Belt App





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