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Residential Gas Heat Pumps- The Time has Come

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Heat Pumps: Definitions

- **Heat Pump:** Moves heat from one place to another
 - In the winter, we move heat from outside-in
 - In the Summer, we move heat from inside-out

- **Thermally-driven Heat Pump:** Use heat instead of an electric compressor as energy driver
 - Terminology is evolving, aka:
 - *Gas-fired Heat Pumps (GHP)*
 - Fuel-Fired Heat Pumps (FFHP)
 - For heating, combination space and water heating application resemble boiler-based systems

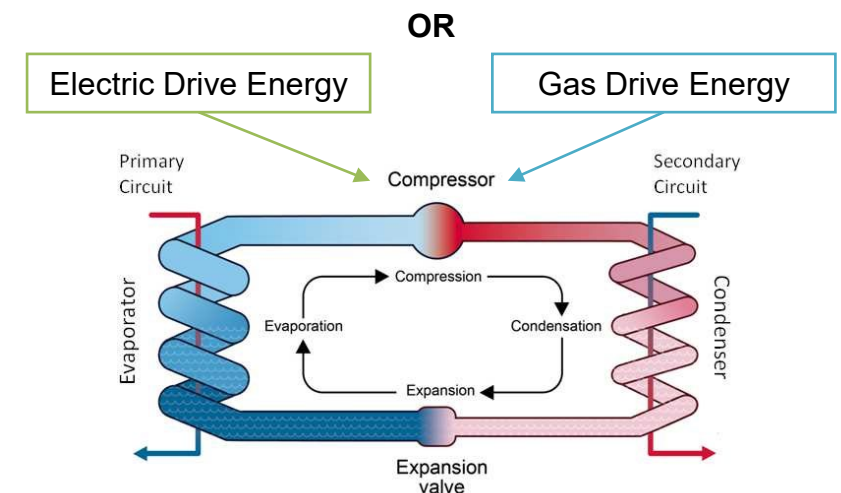


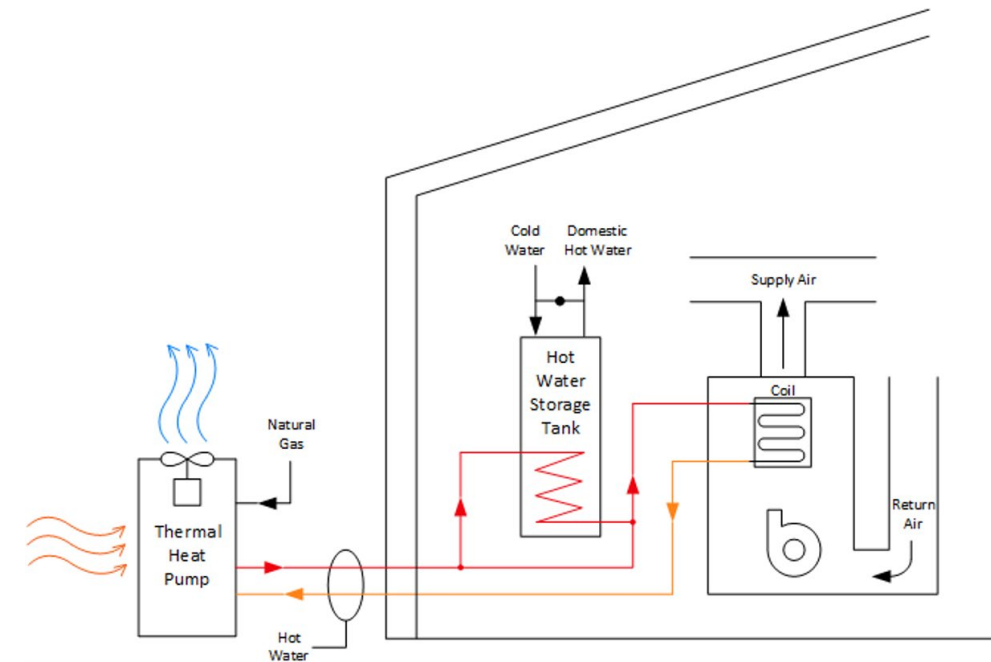
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Gas Heat Pumps (GHP): Motivation

Why *Gas* Heat Pumps?

- *Best-in-class operating efficiency*
 - Condensing furnace 95-98 AFUE vs Anesi GHP 140 AFUE
 - GTI Energy field demos showed 33-46% therm savings (space and water heat)
- Systems operate during the coldest days, meeting the heating load without back-up resistance heating
- Commonly use natural refrigerants with low/no GWP
- 30-50% reduction in operating GHG emissions, with combustion outside

Typical Residential 'Combi' Installation



Mass Market Applications

Targeting regions with 4,000+ HDDs. The Anesi has the capacity to serve \approx 50% of gas & propane heated single-family homes in North America (and many larger multi-family units).

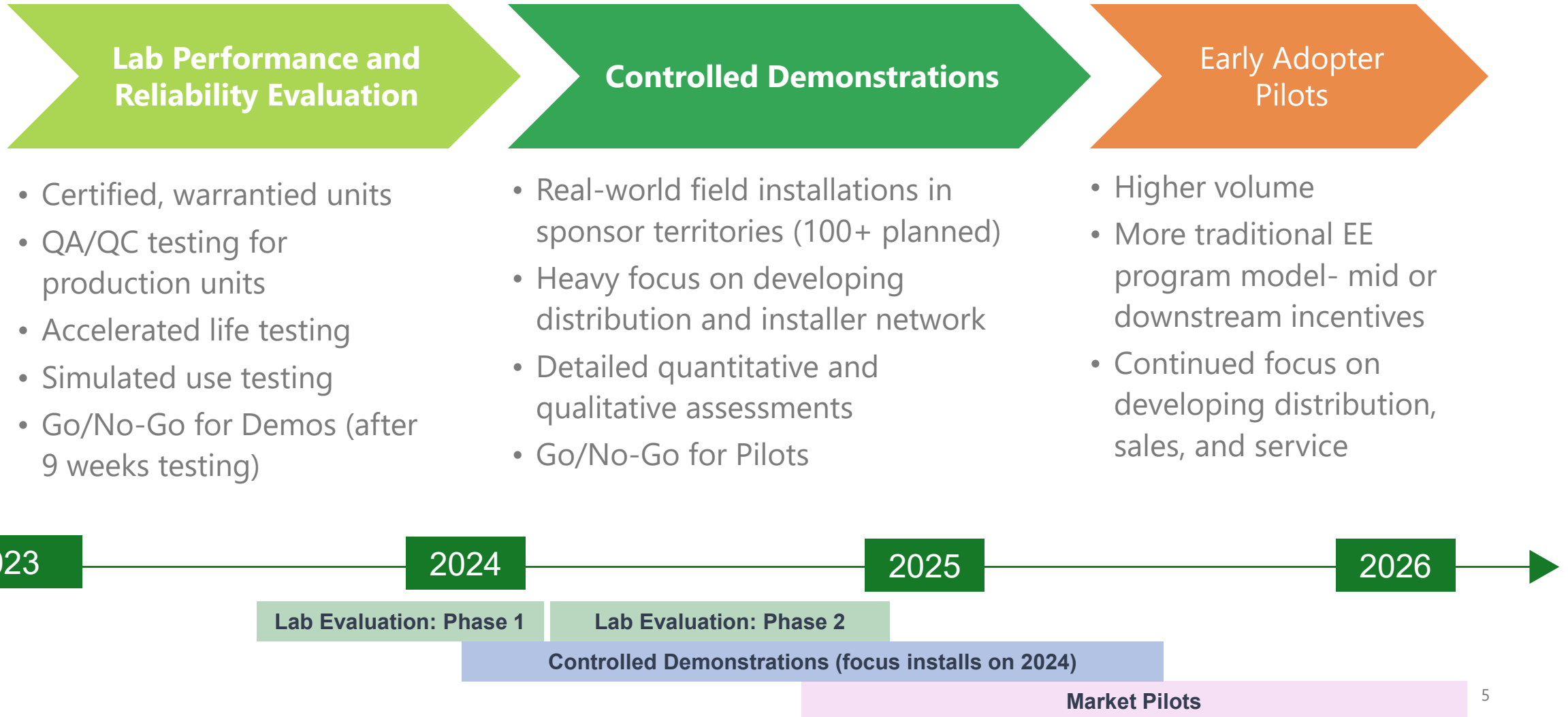
Gas Heat Pumps: Market Availability

- **Commercial** (products on the market for 10+ years)
 - Robur sells several small commercial market units- space conditioning and water heat (think central multi-family water heat)
 - Yanmar offers VRF heating/cooling units for commercial applications
 - Vicot and others have systems on or near market
- **Residential**
- GTI Energy is working with Thermolift, Homy/Vicot, and Robur to lab test, ready, and deploy residential space heating/combi units
- GTI Energy is working with HeatAmp to develop a residential water heater
- *After ten years of technology and product development, the SMTI Anesi system is hitting the market now.*

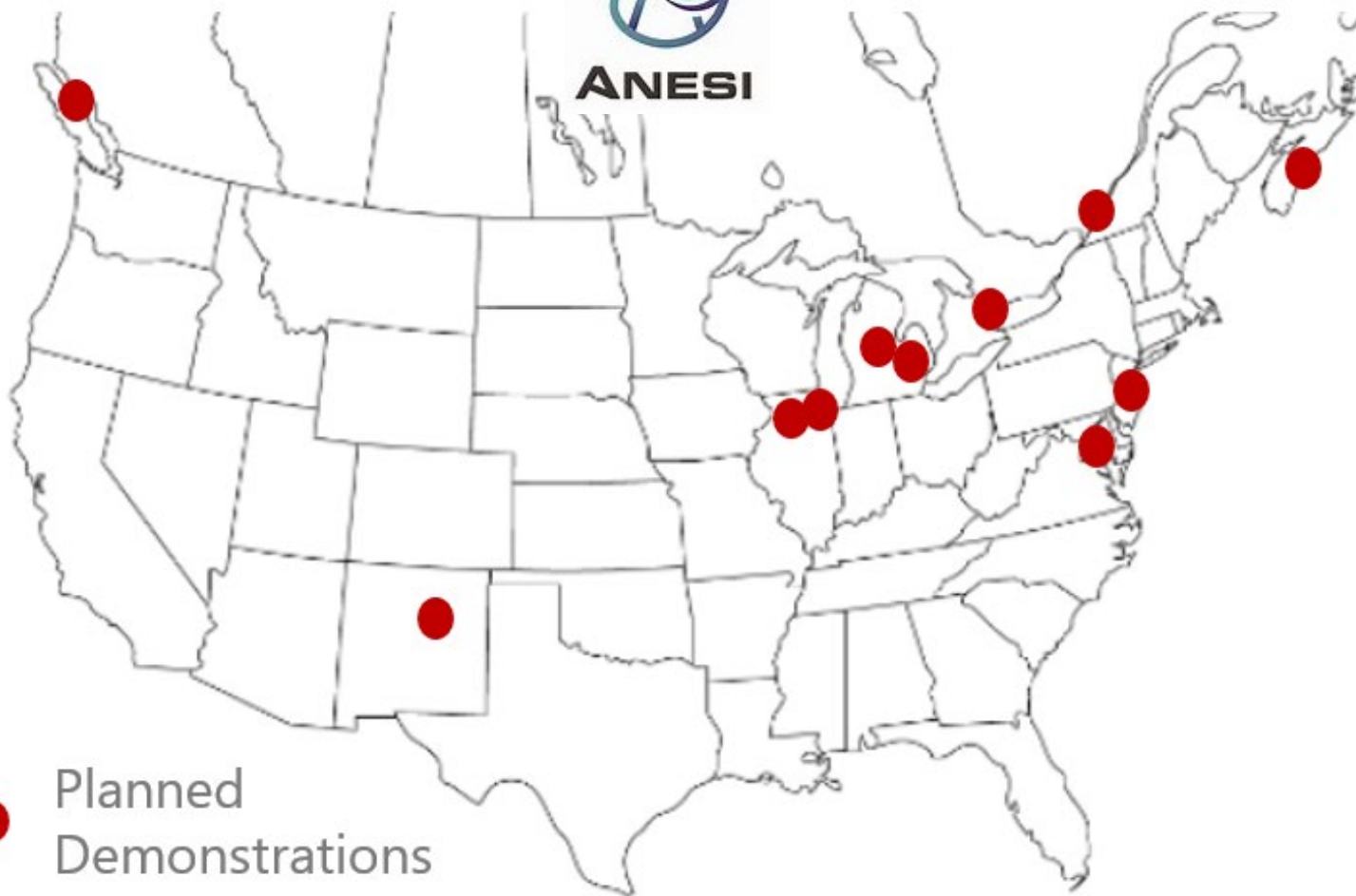


Image Source: SMTI Anesi

Residential Gas Heat Pump Controlled Demonstration Program: **Process**



Residential Gas Heat Pump Demonstration: Sponsors and Regions





Nicor Gas

- Planning up-to **30 residential field demo units**
- Training- Anesi installs planned for Gas Town, College of DuPage and CEDA- Demo installer training next month at GTI
- Commercial demos underway with Illinois National Guard



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- Planning **3 residential field demo units**
- Training Center – Anesi install planned at Training Center- Demo installer training next month at GTI



DTE Energy®

- **3 residential field demo units**
- Supported Market Assessment
- Lab Testing Thermolift and Robur
- 1 commercial Robur and 2 Thermolift field demos planned



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- **3 residential field demo units**
- 1 commercial Robur demo planned



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Questions?

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