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Bulk Sterilizer Water Saving and Tempering Device

Hospitals and Medical Centers with bulk sterilizers should be quite interested in a new device that RPI now offers. Bottom line, it's easy to install, reduces water consumption, and saves money.

Chatsworth, CA – Replacement Parts Industries, Inc. (RPI) is pleased to announce that they are now offering a tempering and water saving device that is designed to retro-fit most Amsco 2000 and 3000 series sterilizers, as well as many other bulk sterilizers built prior to the mid-1990's, including those made by Getinge-Castle. It's called the Water-MizerTM.

"This is a most incredible device. Most steam sterilizers use continuous cold water to temper the steam condensate, which is quite wasteful. However, the Water-Mizer efficiently mixes cold water with steam condensate discharged from the sterilizer to reduce the discharged water temperature before it enters a municipal sewer system. The Water-Mizer can save up to 50 gallons of water per hour, resulting in significant cost savings for the facility. Depending on water rates and the amount of time a sterilizer is run each day, savings can add up to as much as \$2,500 per year. Installation of the device is simple, and as always, RPI provides free technical support.", stated Ira Lapides, President and CEO of RPI.

According to the University of Washington Sustainability Report, "The cost for the sterilizer retrofit (Water-Mizer) program was \$96,000. The Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) incentive rebate will be approximately \$30,800. It is projected that the University will save approximately 26 million gallons of water per year, which will yield \$250,000 per year in combined water and sewer savings. The pay-back period for the initial outlay of funds will be only five months."

A Report on Potential Best Management Practices, prepared for The California Urban Water Conservation Council states that "From the viewpoint of the end-user, the water savings achieved through sterilizer retrofits in a large medical facility potentially yields two significant benefits: reduced water consumption and reduced flows to the sanitary sewer. Depending upon the frequency and timing of sterilizer use, peak flows could be reduced as well."



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According to the Austin City ConnectionTM, "In 2004, at an awards breakfast attended by 120 business and political leaders, seven Texas area businesses were recognized for their extraordinary efforts to conserve water. Seton Hospital System, which, thanks to sterilizer retrofit kits (the Water-Mizer) at all five facilities (Seton MC, Seton SW Seton NW, Brackenridge, and Childrens Hospitals) and kitchen improvements at Seton MC, is saving 23,500 gallons per day."

RPI, founded in 1972, manufactures and markets new replacements parts for medical, dental, laboratory and hospital equipment including healthcare devices ranging from autoclaves, centrifuges, analyzers, aspirators/pumps, ECG machines to dental delivery units, lights and compressors. "We stand behind the quality of our parts in a rather unique way – RPI parts must meet the customer's complete satisfaction. What's more, parts are shipped the same day the order is received, allowing for our customers to avoid the high cost of maintaining their own inventory", said Lapides. The Water-Mizer is offered by RPI and manufactured by Continental Equipment Company with a patent pending.

For more information about the Water-Mizer and how it can help your facility save, contact RPI: telephone (800) 221-9723, email www.moreinfo@rpiparts.com, or visit the RPI website at www.rpiparts.com.

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