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Calling All Connected Products: 2022 Integrated Home Competition Launches

Middleton, MA February 7, 2022 — The CEE **Integrated Home Competition** rewards market leaders whose connected home solutions not only provide energy savings and load management capability, but also deliver upon consumer expectations for interoperability, reliability, and simplicity. Innovative industry leaders gain recognition through endorsement and promotion from Competition Sponsors.

Residential end uses covered in the 2022 Competition span electric and natural gas equipment. Eligible products include heating and cooling equipment, thermostats, water heaters, pool pumps, plug load controls, window attachments, lighting and lighting controls, ceiling fans, electric vehicle supply equipment, home appliances, and other connected home devices that successfully deliver a positive consumer experience, energy management, and load management capabilities.

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The Integrated Home Competition rewards manufacturers of solutions that advance the **CEE Integrated Home** vision. Award winners receive credible third-party promotion and recognition through webinars, press releases to both consumer and trade publications, the Integrated Home Competition website, presence at key industry events, and additional promotion by Competition Sponsors. In addition, CEE member efficiency program administrators may choose to recommend winning entries to their customers and contractors or consider pilot programs. All entrants receive insight and direction on future utility needs.

Evaluation Products are evaluated through a two-phase process: screening by the Competition Sponsors and a live assessment of the finalists by a Judging Panel comprised of individuals with expertise in usability, interoperability, IDSM program administration, product or system installation, specific technology performance, and promotion. Entries are judged against the following criteria:

- ▶ Energy Savings and Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Reduction
- ▶ Functionality
- ▶ Load Management
- ▶ Data Sharing
- ▶ Interoperability
- ▶ Reliability
- ▶ Consumer Value Proposition
- ▶ Ease of Installation, Set Up, and Use
- ▶ Cybersecurity
- ▶ Quality of Design and Engineering
- ▶ Innovation

Competition Timeline





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The Judging Panel may reward entries that exhibit other desirable characteristics such as relevance for underserved audiences (assisting in achieving energy equity objectives), accessible design, future proofing, niche applications, and field serviceability. All entrants will receive direct feedback from the Competition Sponsors or from the expert Judging Panel.

For complete guidelines and information on how to enter, please visit <https://www.integratedhome.org/enter-now/>, join our [upcoming webinar](#) on how to enter, or contact competition@cee1.org.

About The CEE Integrated Home is a connected, fuel neutral, interactive, and efficient home where devices and systems effectively communicate to provide new customers, utility systems, and societal value. It emphasizes home solutions that can react to the dynamic energy value based on time and location, allowing utilities and program administrators to manage to their core mission of maintaining a safe, low cost, and reliable energy experience. The annual Integrated Home Competition supports this vision through public promotion of commercially available solutions that are simple, reliable, well-designed, and highly functional. Guided by a consumer-focused lens, the Competition recognizes innovative products and systems that provide an added value to homeowners’ energy experience through improved customization and personalization. It provides a platform for distinguishing innovation in service to integrated demand side management objectives, including traditional energy savings.

