

# **Liebert**®

EFC from 100 to 350 kW

The Highly Efficient Indirect Evaporative Freecooling Unit



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# Liebert® EFC, the Highly Efficient Indirect Evaporative Freecooling Solution

The Liebert EFC is equipped with the most advanced industry technology. The system includes indirect air-to-air heat exchange and evaporative cooling technology all in one footprint. The Liebert EFC is capable of reducing air temperatures by leveraging on the evaporative cooling principle.

The process involves the evaporation of water which, as a consequence, cools the surrounding air. Through this technology, the Liebert EFC can thus achieve pPUE levels of 1.03 ensuring top energy efficiency, as well as minimized operating costs.





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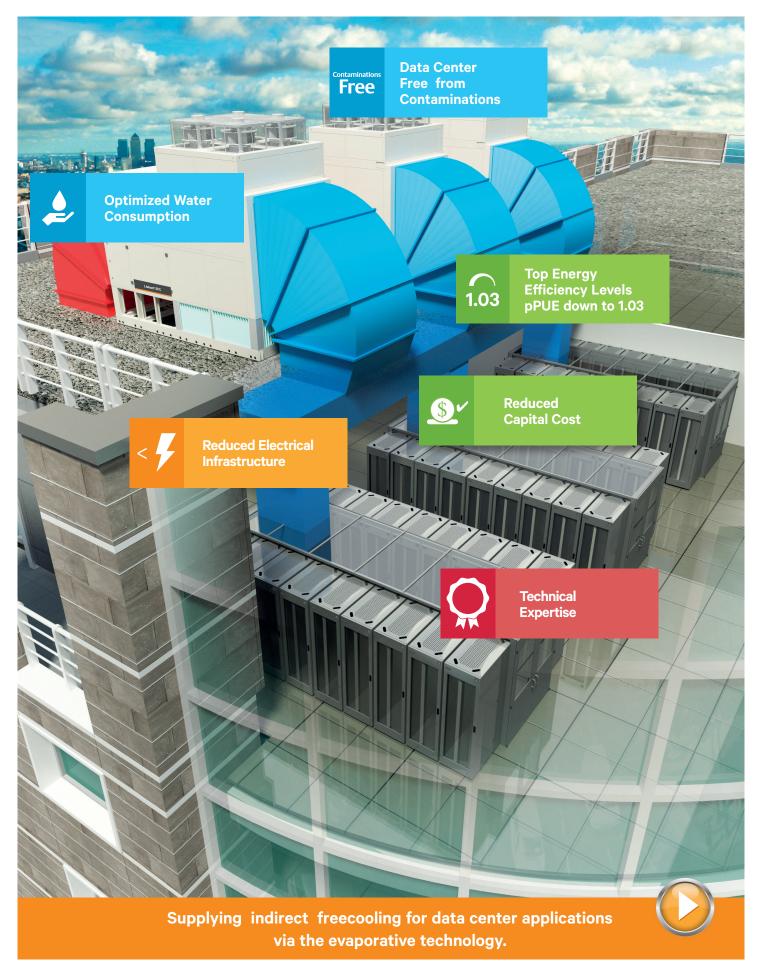
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# **Liebert® EFC: Enhancing Data Center Efficiency**



#### **Evaporative Cooling**

The highly efficient evaporative system sprays water onto the heat exchanger to enable cooling even at high ambient air temperatures, without the need for mechanical cooling.



#### **Energy Efficiency**

The evaporative cooling technology enables Liebert EFC to reach pPUE levels as low as 1.03.



#### **Highly Efficient EC Fans**

The new generation of fans installed in the Liebert EFC dramatically reduce the noise level and increase the overall efficiency of the unit.



# **Eurovent Certified Heat Exchanger**

Eurovent certification guarantees that Liebert EFC heat exchangers undergo independent testing, thus delivering rating accuracy and enhancing the unit's reliability.



## Reduced CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

At pPUE levels of 1.03, Liebert EFC requires minimum power input consequently reducing  ${\rm CO}_2$  emissions.



#### Freecooling

Evaporative cooling extends indirect freecooling operation all year round.



# Data Center Free from Contaminations

The air-to-air heat exchanger separates external and internal air, protecting the data center air from bacterial contamination, as well as other external events such as fire and pollution.



# Integrated Chilled Water Coil and Direct Expansion System

These technologies ensure the unit's operation even in climates characterized by extreme humidity levels or severe temperature peaks.



# New Vertiv<sup>™</sup> ICOM<sup>™</sup> 7" Touch Display

Vertiv ICOM Control ensures high level management of the units to work together as a single system, thus optimizing room temperature and airflow. Furthermore, it features a new 7" touch screen display for quicker and easier data readability.



## **Partial Load Efficiency**

New generation EC fans and integrated digital scroll compressors contribute to achieving the highest efficiency levels at partial load.





The evaporative system has a dedicated internal pump that provides the exact amount of water needed. Water is sprayed through special nozzles onto the heat exchanger and evaporates, thus humidifying and cooling the air.

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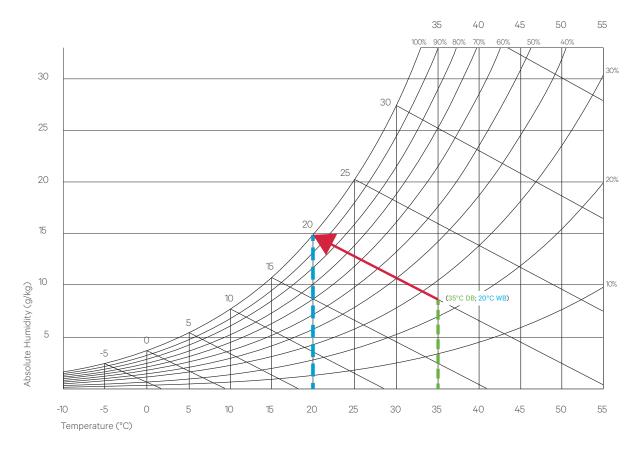
# **Ensuring Top Efficiency Levels through the Evaporative Principle**

The Liebert® EFC combines the capabilities of freecooling and evaporative cooling principles in one single unit. It has been specifically designed to select the most appropriate operating mode based on the external environment conditions, leveraging both principles in order to deliver significant energy savings.

The use of the evaporative cooling, hence using cold external air as a means of cooling, allows freecooling operation to be maximized and compressor-related cooling to be reduced to a minimum, thus optimizing operating costs.

The evaporative principle uses air to absorb water that is sprayed through special nozzles onto the heat exchanger. Water evaporation, thus removes heat from the air and cools the outside air temperature.

Outside air consequently transitions from Dry Bulb Temperature to Wet Bulb Temperature (the graph below shows the transition from 35°C to 20°C).



Psychrometric Chart for Sea-Level Elevation



# **Where Indirect Evaporative Cooling Works**

In order to optimize the overall system efficiency, the Liebert® EFC has been designed to change its operation mode according to the external environment. When the external air is cold enough to allow freecooling, the unit works in dry operation mode (winter operation mode).

When ambient temperatures are higher, also external humidity determines unit capacity and performances as the evaporative effect is directly associated to the external air capacity to absorb water.

When the unit operates in environments with higher temperature and lower relative humidity (summer operation mode), Liebert EFC works in evaporative (wet) mode.

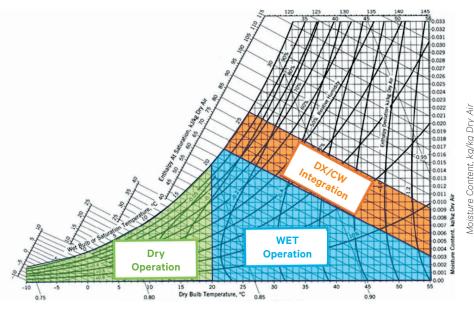
In climates featuring high levels of humidity the unit may thus require the integration of a Direct Expansion (DX) system or the installation of a Chilled Water (CW) coil (extreme operation mode).

## DRY OPERATION (Dry Bulb Temperature <17°C -20°C)\*

The unit can cool the data center solely via the air-to-air heat exchanger, thus using only cold external air.

## WET OPERATION (Wet Bulb Temperature <20°C - 22°C)\*

The unit can leverage the evaporative effect via humidification.



Dry Bulb Temperature, °C

\*Assumptions: data center 36°C  $\longrightarrow$  24° C - 100% of full load per unit (redundancy operation)

# DX/CW INTEGRATION

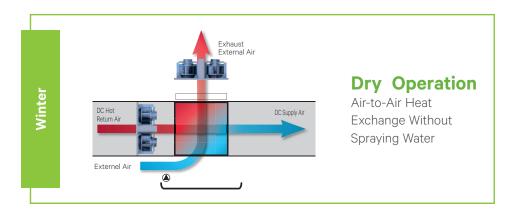
External humidity assumes a key role in determining unit performances:

- At 24°C and 90% relative humidity, the unit may require DX/CW integration.
- At 35°C (higher temperature) and 25% (lower relative humidity), the unit can solely operate with evaporative cooling.

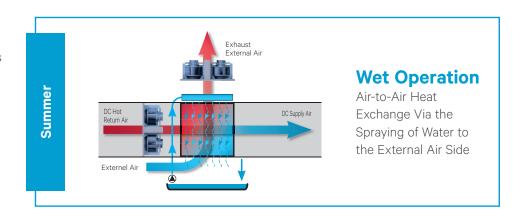
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# **Liebert® EFC Operation Modes In Detail**

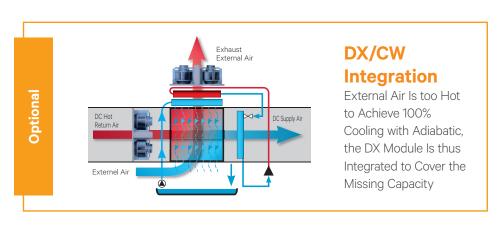
During the cold season (winter operation mode) return air from the data center is cooled down, leveraging the heat exchange process with external cold air. There is no need to run the evaporative system and the fan speed is controlled by the external air temperature.



During the warm season (summer operation mode) the evaporative system must run in order to saturate the air. This enables the unit to cool the data center air even with high external air temperatures. By saturating the air, the dry bulb temperature can be reduced.



In the case of extreme external conditions, a Direct Expansion (DX) system is available to provide additional cooling. As an alternative, the Chilled Water (CW) coil can be installed. DX and CW systems are sized to provide partial back up for the overall cooling load and are designed to provide maximum efficiency with minimum energy consumption.





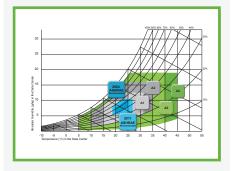
## The State-of-the-Art Vertiv™ ICOM™ Control

Precise, User-friendly Information at Unit Level



# To guarantee ASHRAE recommended guidelines even at extreme conditions

Extreme Winter Operation
(i.e. below-20°C) can cause
the unit's unrequired internal
dehumidification causing it
to exceed ASHRAE
recommended minimum
humidity. Liebert® EFC offers
a constant control of data
center air via its integrated
Vertiv™ ICOM™ control logic,
ensuring dew point
temperature is lower than
heat exchanger surface
temperature, thus avoiding
unrequired dehumidification.



# To provide precise temperature and airflow control in front of servers

• The Vertiv SmartAisle™ control logic embedded in the Vertiv ICOM optimizes internal air volumes and temperatures according to specific server needs. Vertiv SmartAisle logic allows Liebert EFC to exactly match the servers' airflow needs, ensuring that not even a single Watt is wasted in moving or cooling unrequired air.



# To optimize water and electricity costs with the Cost Function software feature

The user friendly Vertiv ICOM Control exploits the management of energy and water also at teamwork level. The system collects information from the different units' key parameters and operating modes (dry, wet and DX/CW) while taking into account water and electricity costs. The control predictively calculates and then implements the combination which optimizes operating costs.



# **Utmost Efficiency Even at the Data Center System Level**

The Vertiv ICOM Control manages the operation of the Liebert EFC units, in order to ensure top reliability in all conditions. Access to the units installed in the data center, is granted through the Ethernet connection, that is capable of coordinating the multiple on-site installations. The high-level supervision of multiple units allows these to work together as a single system, thus optimizing overall system performance.

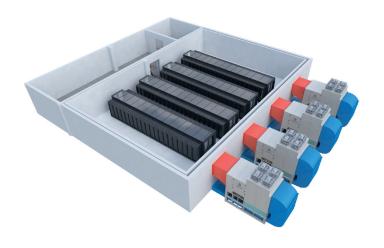
# **High Flexibility Matching Customer Needs**

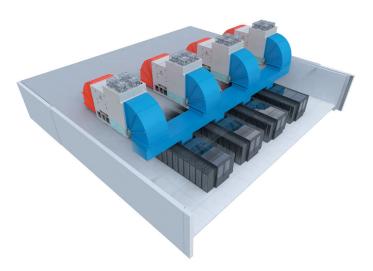
The Liebert® EFC delivers substantial reductions and savings in terms of electrical infrastructure and equipment. With the unit being installed externally, the available internal white space is maximized ensuring ease of system installation. All of these features significantly reduce data center TCO.

MAIN OPTIONS AVAILABLE	BENEFITS
DX or CW coil for mechanical cooling integration	Water storage reduction
	Dehumidification availability
	Premium efficiency
	Delivery temperature guaranteed also under the worst ambient conditions
G4 or M5 data center air filter	State-of-the-art filtration class
Low ambient kit	To avoid unrequired dehumidification at very low ambient temperatures
Automatic transfer switch with intelligent controller	Due to the communication with the unit control, all the electrical power data is monitored through the BMS
UltraCapacitor	Control always active even during a power failure
Monitoring	Integrated BMS interface (i.e. ModBus, Bacnet and SNMP)
Energy meter/water meter	To manage energy and water consumption, thus optimizing operating costs
Right and left versions available in both perimeter and roof configurations	To adapt to any data center layout

## **Perimeter Configuration**

## **Roof Configuration**







# **Annual Distribution of Operating Modes with Indirect Evaporative Freecooling**



While respecting ASHRAE guidelines, the Liebert® EFC unit can be installed not only in cold climates, where the unit can leverage on the dry operating mode, but also in hotter ones (as shown in the example below for Istanbul) where DX operation is reduced to a minimum and used only during extreme temperature peaks that may be experienced throughout the year. This results in a significant reduction in electrical consumption possible even at full load (reaching the highest possible savings at partial loads).

The Liebert EFC Cost Function optimizes running costs (water and electricity), and according to the external dry bulb and heat load, selects the most convenient working mode (i.e. dry vs. wet). With the same logic, the Cost Function will also optimize the use of the optional Direct Expansion (DX) mode.

#### ASSUMPTIONS: DATA CENTER 36°C $\longrightarrow$ 24° C 100% IT LOAD (REDUNDANCY) 600 550 500 London 450 400 45% dry mode 350 Hours per 300 45% dry or wet mode 250 (cost function) 200 10% wet mode 150 100 50 0 -10 10 20 30 40 50 Ambient Air Temperature 550 500 **Frankfurt** 450 400 ■ 48% dry mode 350 per 300 ■ 36% dry or wet mode 250 (cost function) 200 16% wet mode 150 100 50 20 -20 Ambient Air Temperature 600 -550 500 Istanbul 450 400 ■ 31% dry mode per Year 350 ■ 33% dry or wet mode 300 (cost function) 250 200 ■ 34% wet mode 2% wet + DX mode 100 -10

Ambient Air Temperature

# Vertiv™ LIFE™ Services Remote Diagnostic and Preventive Monitoring

Vertiv's service program is designed to ensure that your critical power protection system is maintained in an optimum state of readiness at all times.





The Vertiv<sup>TM</sup> LIFE<sup>TM</sup> Services Remote Diagnostic and Preventive Monitoring provides early warning of UPS conditions and out of tolerances. This allows effective proactive maintenance, fast incident response and remote trouble shooting, giving customers complete security and peace of mind.

With **Vertiv LIFE Services** you will benefit from:

#### **Uptime Assurance**

Constant monitoring of UPS parameters, thus maximizing the system's availability.

#### **First Time Fix Rate**

Pro-active monitoring and data measuring ensure that when our customer engineers are dispatched on-site, they arrive prepared for first time resolution.

#### **Proactive Analysis**

From Vertiv LIFE Services centers, our experts proactively analyze the data and trends of your equipment, to recommend a ctions to ensure their best performance.

# Minimized Total Cost of Ownership of Your Equipment

The continuous monitoring of all relevant parameters in turn maximizes unit performance, reduces on-site maintenance and extends the life of your equipment.

## **Fast Incident Response**

Vertiv LIFE Services allows for immediate definition of the best course of action, as a result of the regular communication between your Liebert® EFC unit and our Vertiv LIFE Services centers.

#### Reporting

You will receive a comprehensive report detailing the working order of your equipment and its operational performance.



# **Customer Experience Center**

#### **Thermal Management**

Vertiv's Customer Experience Center located in Tognana (Padova - Italy), is specifically designed for customers to interact with Thermal Management data center technologies.

The center gives our customers the unique opportunity to witness pre-installation demonstrations, covering technical performance, interoperability and efficiency of Thermal Management solutions under a broad range of real field conditions.

Customers visiting the center may also benefit from a comprehensive consultation from our R&D, engineering and application specialists.



## **Evaporative Cooling Validation Area**

Our Thermal Management Customer Experience Center features a dedicated area to test the state-of-the-art Liebert® EFC unit.

The scope of the Evaporative Cooling Validation Area is to provide customers, consultants and data center specialists with the most complete testing area to experience the capabilities of our evaporative technology at peak conditions.

Testing parameters include IT loads up to 400 kW and an airflow of up to 100,000 m³ per hour, replicating typical peak conditions across the EMEA region, and an exceptional performance measurement accuracy within a +/- 5% maximum tolerance and a +/- 2% airflow tolerance. Airflow rate is also measured at the outlet side using calibrated intake nozzles in compliance with ANSI-AMCA 210/07 and ISO5801.

All our measuring tools are also periodically tested to adhere to the current international quality procedure ISO9001. This guarantees that all our measurements are in line with the metrological laboratories' standards (Accredia/EA/ILAC) and that our equipment precision level is also compliant with the European EN14511 standard.

Every customer visit is accompanied by a complete final report which includes each and every tested parameter. Customers are guided through a first-hand experience with full transparency and flexibility enabling them to achieve the highest standards of technical excellence.



# Thermal Management Data Center Infrastructure for Small and Large Applications



#### Liebert® HPC

Wide range of high efficiency Freecooling Chillers from 40 kW to 1600 kW  $\,$ 

- Designed specifically for data center applications and to work with Vertiv™ SmartAisle™
- Premium energy efficiency version
- Unique control capabilities with the Vertiv ICOM™ Control.

# **Liebert PDX Liebert PCW**

Available from 5-220 kW

- Premium energy efficiency
- Eurovent certified performance
- Unique control capabilities with the Vertiv ICOM Control
- Liebert® EconoPhase™ available for the direct expansion system.









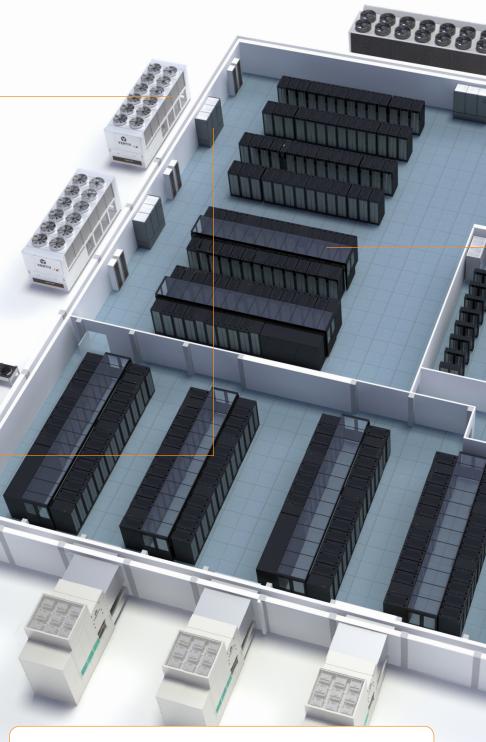
#### **Liebert EFC**

Indirect evaporative free cooling unit leveraging on data center know-how. Available  $\,$  from 100 to 350 kW  $\,$ 

- Unique control capabilities optimizing water and energy costs
- Substantial reductions and savings in terms of electrical infrastructure.

## Vertiv™ *Trellis*™ Platform

Vertiv's *Trellis*<sup>TM</sup> platform is a real-time infrastructure optimization platform that enables the unified management of data centre IT and facilities infrastructure. The Vertiv *Trellis* platform software can manage capacity, track inventory, plan changes, visualize configurations, analyze and calculate energy usage, and optimize cooling and power equipment. The Vertiv *Trellis* platform monitors the data center, providing a thorough understanding of system dependencies to help IT and facilities organizations keep the data center running at peak performance. This unified and complete solution, delivers the power to see the real situation in your data center, make the right decision and take action with confidence.







## **SERVICES**

Vertiv supports entire critical infrastructures with the largest global service organization and an extensive service offering, enhancing network availability and ensuring total peace of mind 24/7.

Our approach to servicing critical infrastructure covers all aspects of availability and performance: from single power and thermal management equipment to entire mission-critical systems.

The most comprehensive insurance for business protection can be obtained with a service program from Vertiv which includes access to Vertiv LIFE™ Services.

# VERTIV™ LIFE™ SERVICES

Vertiv LIFE Services provides Remote Diagnostics and Preventive Monitoring for UPS and thermal management equipment.

Vertiv LIFE Services delivers increased uptime and operational efficiency by enabling continuous monitoring of your equipment, expert data analysis and field engineering expertise.

Through the data transferred from your equipment via Vertiv LIFE Services, our Remote experts gain the real-time insight and information needed to quickly identify, diagnose, and resolve any irregularities that may arise in operation, ultimately taking responsibility for your critical assets 24/7.



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