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### **HRAI Revises Industry Forecast for Commercial Air Conditioning, Residential Air Conditioning and Furnace Shipments**

Mississauga, Ontario – The Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Institute of Canada (HRAI) today issued a revised industry forecast for commercial air conditioning, residential air conditioning and furnace shipments for 2010. The original forecast was released in December 2009. The revised forecast projects that shipments of commercial air conditioning will increase by 4%, residential air conditioning shipments will increase by 3% and residential furnace shipments will decrease by 3% over the 2009 figures.

The 2008, 2009 actuals and revised forecast 2010 figures are as follows:

- **Commercial air conditioning:** Actual shipments in 2008 were 42,853. The year-end figure for 2009 shows a decrease of 20% to 34,434 while the revised forecast for 2010 projects a 4% increase to 36,000.
- **Residential air conditioning:** Compared to the actual 2008 shipments of 228,110 the 2009 figure decreased by 15% to 193,483. The revised 2010 forecast shows an increase over 2009 of 3% to 196,000.
- **Residential furnaces:** Actual 2008 shipments were 301,375. The year-end figure for 2009 shows an increase of 15% to 347,694. The revised forecast for 2010 shows a decrease over 2009 of 3% to 336,000.

NOTE: “Residential air conditioning” means ducted split system air conditioning and heat pumps up to 5 tons, “commercial air conditioning” means rooftops (combination heat/cool), packaged cooling and packaged heat pumps; “furnace” means residential forced air furnaces of all types (gas, oil, electric and combination).

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