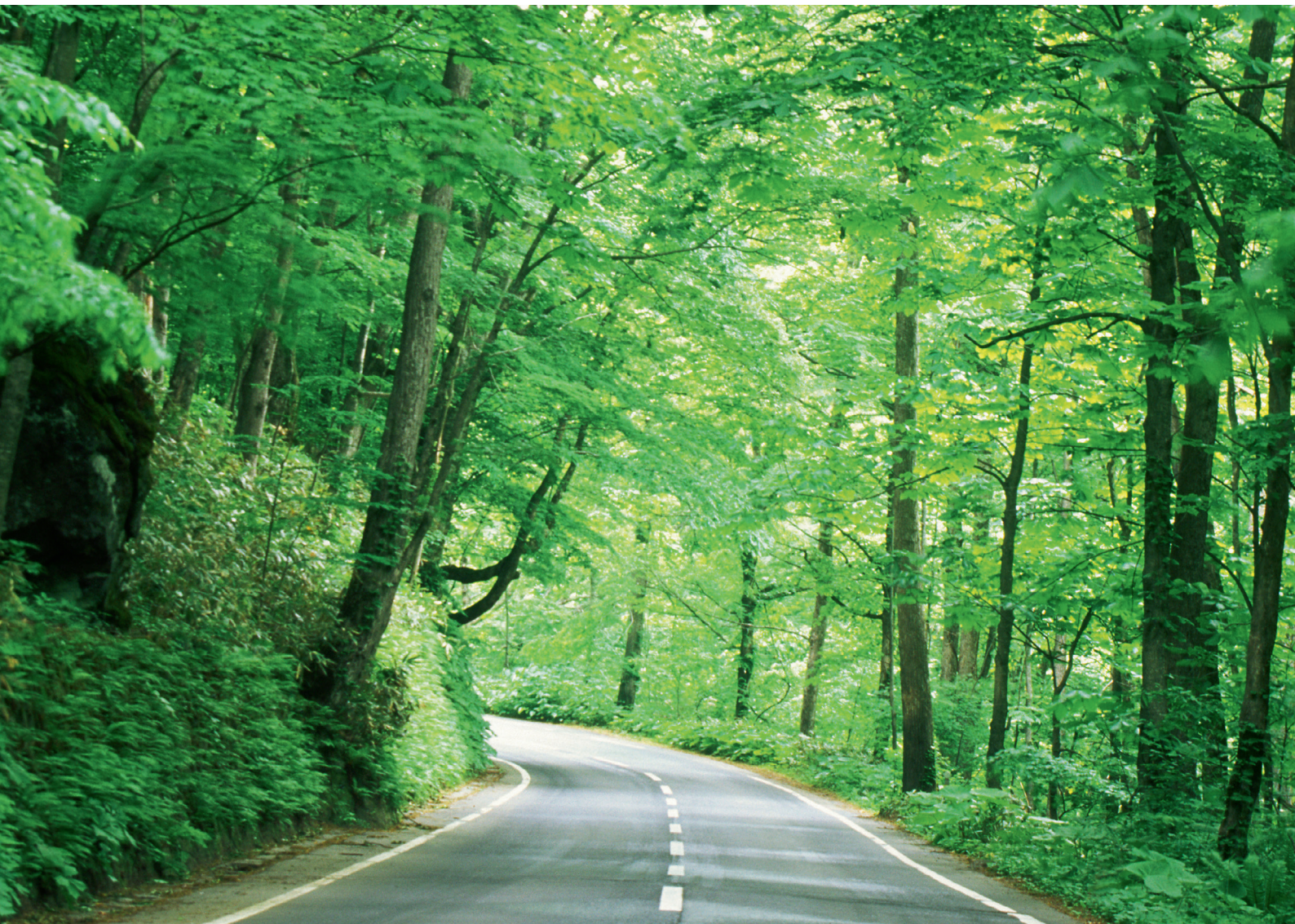


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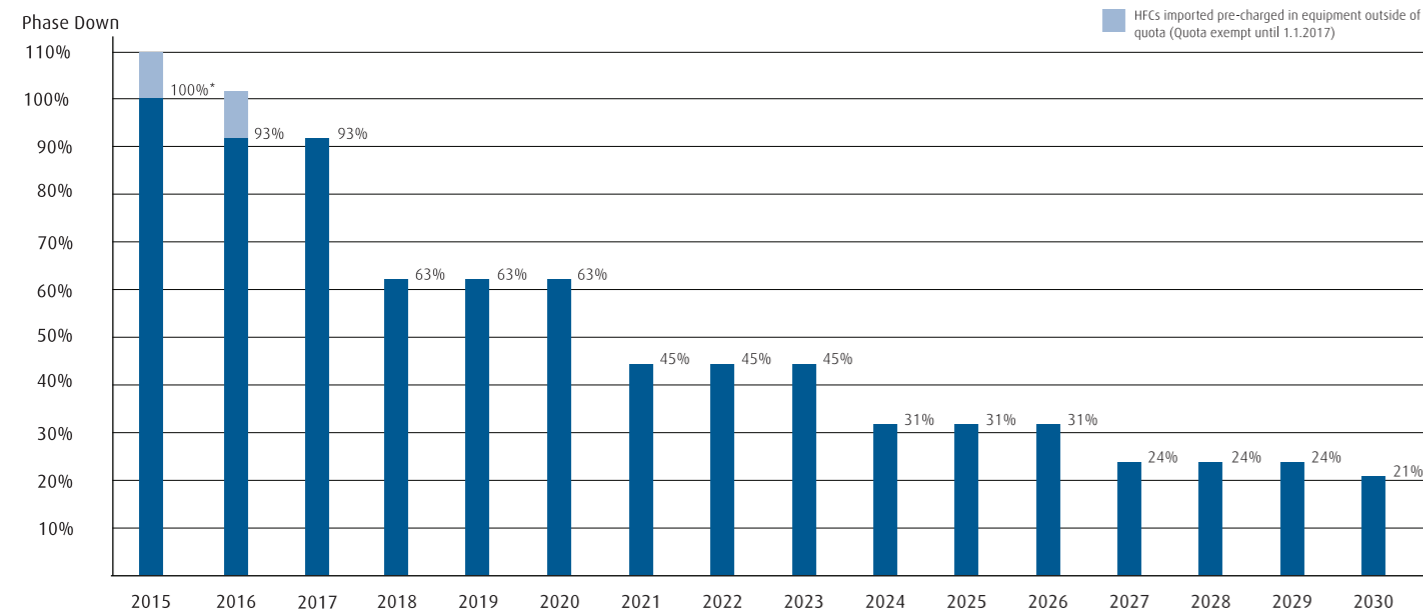
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replacement for R404A and R507



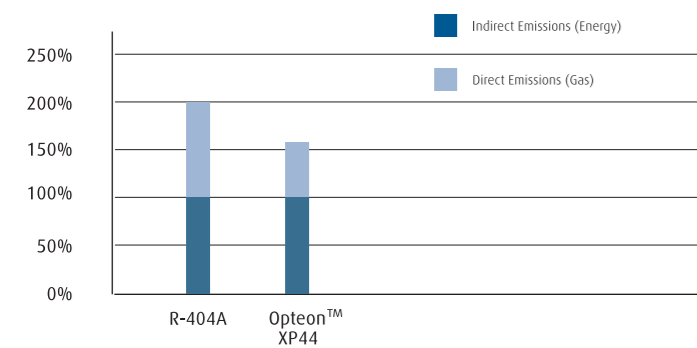
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Diagram 1: HFC phase down schedule (CO<sub>2</sub>e basis, in %)



\* 100% = Average of 2009–2012

Diagram 2: TEWI (Total Equivalent Warming Impact) R-404A vs. Opteon™ XP44 (R-452A)



## The environmental challenge

For over twenty years, R404A has been an extremely useful refrigerant gas in a number of applications, including transport refrigeration applications such as refrigerated trucks. However, refrigeration systems generate both direct and indirect CO<sub>2</sub> emissions during their lifetime. Although an effective refrigerant, R404A has one of the highest global warming potentials (GWPs) of any refrigerant gas, often leading to high direct greenhouse gas emissions and therefore high CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent (CO<sub>2</sub>e) emissions over the equipment lifetime.

EU f-gas regulation 517/2014 is a reality since 2015. The way for refrigeration solutions that can provide satisfactory cooling performance with a lower global warming impact has been already paved. On the top, the ban of R404A in EU in 2020, according to f-gas regulation, demands environmentally friendly refrigeration solutions.

## The low-GWP solution

Opteon® XP44 (R452A) is a non-flammable, next-generation HFO-based refrigerant blend with a close performance match to R404A, including a similar low discharge temperature which makes it ideal for both new and retrofit transport refrigeration applications. With a significantly lower GWP, it provides a realistic solution in place of R404A.

R452A is designed for use in direct expansion, low and medium temperature commercial, industrial and transport refrigeration applications. It is suitable for new installations and the straightforward retrofit of existing systems.

	R404A	R452A – Opteon XP44
Constituents	R143a/R125/R134a	R32/R125/R1234yf
Preferred Oil	Polyester (POE)	Polyester (POE)
ASHRAE safety classification	A1 – non-toxic and non-flammable	A1 – non-toxic and non-flammable
Boiling point @ 1atm	-46.5	-47.0
Critical temperature	72.0	74.9
Critical pressure	37.3 bar(a)	40.1 bar(a)
GWP (AR4)	3922	2140
GWP (AR5)	3943	1945



## Benefits at a glance

### Lower environmental impact

- Approximately 45% reduction in GWP compared with R404A
- Zero ozone depletion potential
- Non-toxic and non-flammable

### Wide application range

- Low and medium temperature transport DX refrigeration
- Low and medium temperature industrial and commercial DX refrigeration
- New and retrofit applications

### Easy retrofit process

- Long term solution – alternative to R404A and R507A
- Compatible with the same oils, elastomers and plastics as R404A
- Supported by major equipment and component manufacturers
- Can be topped off after leaks

### Impressive performance

- Matches discharge temperature
- Matches mass flow rate of R404A/R507A

## Retrofit made easy

The changeover from R404A to Opteon XP44 is a relatively easy process. The gas is fully compatible with the POE lubricants used in an R404A system. In many cases, the original oils can be used.

XP44 (like other gases such as R407C) is azeotrope. Therefore it must be charged in the liquid phase to prevent fractionation. The refrigerant has a similar mass flow rate to R404A so, Thermostatic Expansion Valve (TXV) settings may be retained with minor adjustments.

We also recommend that you overhaul your refrigeration system during the retrofit operation, including the filter drier and seals.

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