



REFRIGERATION REVIEW

Hank,

I saw your post about IIAR and how it is moving away from its original purpose. So difficult when associations have mission drift. It will be interesting to talk to you about this in addition to the refrigeration info that I sent to you.

Amy – I am an Associate member of IIAR and I’ve attended some of the committee meetings over the past 2-3 years. I represent an end user. I agree with your write up, in that, I was taken aback by the IIAR committee attendees were mainly equipment manufacturers and PSM consultants...I have personally committed to continuing to attend the committee meetings moving forward. Keep up the good fight!

Amy and the Bonar Team,

Interesting read. I have my own opinions on IIAR and specifically, that they need to reignite the passion in a new generation of “founders.”

It is like once they got the model codes to defer to IIAR for ammonia refrigeration systems, they crossed the finish line and got caught looking around going, “What’s next?”

Further, I was approached by a contractor/OEM that basically asked me why Ammonia, why

Transcritical CO₂? Before I could answer, they went into how refrigeration systems that use synthetics that are monitored and maintained to keep peak operating efficiency are just as energy efficient as a mediocrelly maintained ammonia system. Hard to argue that.

“But what about GWP and/or Total Equivalent Warming Index (TEWI)?!” I exclaimed figuring that I had my out for ammonia. “Who cares about GWP and/or TEWI if you don’t release any refrigerant, i.e. welded pipes and joints, semi-hermetic compressors, and your employees are doing the servicing.”

I would say I definitely lost that, “Why ammonia” conversation.
