





# **KEEPING THE FLAME** The Newsletter of Ray Murray, Inc.

>>> FALL 2025



They say that time flies fastest when you're either busy or having fun. This summer has been a little bit of both and now we're gearing up for our busy season. Cooler weather is in the air and that's a beautiful thing for our businesses!

Over the past several months I've been travelling as as part of my role as NPGA Chairman. This summer I



We are continuing to integrate our recent acquisition of Teeco into the RMI family of brands which includes expanded product offerings. RMI customers now have access to Rego products, in addition to Fisher and MEC, and an expanded line of dispensers that are built in our Teeco fabrication shop in Sacramento (featured below).

We are also very excited about expanding our hearth product portfolio with the additions of Ortal in the Midwest and Mason-Lite across the Northeast, Mid-Atlantic and Midwest. Please reach out to your RMI rep for more information about these great product lines.

The season is off to a strong start and I want to thank you for your continued business and wish you a great finish to 2025!



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## 🛱 UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3/18/26 3/21/26: HPBExpo
- 4/19/26 4/21/26: NPGA Southeastern Conv.

#### **NEW** - TDM Series Compact Propane Dispensers



RMI's New Compact LPG Dispensers are an economical choice for tight installations.

The smaller footprint allows you to save money without sacrificing quality. The hinged top door permits easy access to components. The lower front panel lifts off for easy access to the pump & motor assembly. Cabinet locks securely in the closed position.

Order with your choice of Blackmer, Corken or Smith pump, ATC or NON-ATC meter.

In-Stock and ready to ship!

# RMI Catalogs





Edition 12, Propane Equip.

2025-2026 Hearth Products

PDF catalogs are available at www.raymurray.com

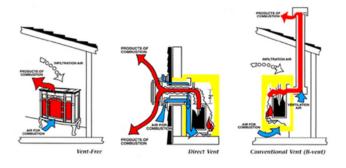


## TECHNICIAN'S CORNER by Eben Waugh, RMI Technical Support

#### DRAFTING IN GAS HEARTH APPLIANCES

As fall approaches and our customers get ready for winter by tightening up their homes be aware of draft and combustion air requirements for proper operation of hearth appliances.

Natural vent and vent-free products are very susceptible to negative pressures in a home, but also some direct vent hearth appliances can be adversely affected by negative pressures in a home as well. The more tightly constructed a home is the more chances of dryers, kitchen range hoods and other heating equipment causing a negative pressure that can stop or reverse a draft and spill products of combustion into the home.



Make sure to verify that the appliance is installed in a space satisfying NFPA 54, 9.3, air for combustion and ventilation. Per NFPA 54 9.3.2.1 Standard Method the minimum required volume shall be 50 Cubic ft. per 1,000 Btu/hr. and refers to the manufacturer's installation manual. If the cubic footage is insufficient, NFPA 54 lists multiple options:

- 9.3.2.3 Indoor Opening Size and Location
- 9.3.3 Outdoor Combustion Air
- 9.3.3.1 Two Permanent Openings Method
- 9.3.3.2 One Permanent Opening Method
- 9.3.4 Combination Indoor and Outdoor Combustion Air
- 9.3.5 Engineered Installation
- 9.3.6 Mechanical Combustion Air Supply

Contact Ray Murray Technical Support if you need support with figuring which might be the best method for you to use for your installation.



Bar hole testing is the approved method for identifying and locating underground gas leaks. Depending on the type of installation, bar hole testing and documentation may be a recurring requirement.

RMI provides all of the equipment needed for bar hole testing including:

- Rycom locating equipment
- Plunger bars (demonstrated below)
- Sensit combustible gas indicators and calibration kits. Not all indicators are appropriate for bar hole testing. RMI can help you select the proper model.
- Bar hole probes





#### **NEW FACES** AT RMI



#### **RMI WELCOMES TOM NEVIUS**

We are thrilled to welcome Tom Nevius as RMI's new Regional Sales Manager in the Mid-Atlantic. Tom has spent the last 25 years in the industry, beginning his career at an independent propane marketer where he eventually managed their large hearth division. For the past 20 years Tom has been a sales representative for Jotul and most recently Supreme Fireplaces.

Tom covers our Hearth & Outdoor channel in MD & DE and Hearth, Outdoor and Propane Equipment in VA.







## **NEW ATC METER REGULATIONS**

The National Conference on Weights & Measures (NCWM) has added new language to the 2024 Edition of the NWCM Handbook 130 which governs the installation and use of liquid meters for dispensing applications. Below are the changes to the code:

- Automatic Temperature Compensation (ATC) is required for metering systems with a maximum rated capacity greater than 20 GPM
- January 1, 2026: New installations of metering systems with a maximum rated capacity of 20 GPM or less are required to be installed with ATC
- January 1, 2030: All existing metering systems will be required to have ATC, regardless of maximum rated capacity

These regulations have not been universally adopted - each state has the authority to decide whether or not they will enforce the regulations. Please check with your AHJ or propane gas association for more information.

At RMI, we offer a full suite of metering solutions, both standard and ATC in-stock and ready to ship!

Contact your RMI rep for more info.



#### >>> NEW NATURE-FLAME VENT-FREE GAS LOGS

- Available in 18", 24", and 30" log sizes
- Choose from new Peakside Timber & Ironwood Ridge logs
- Tall natural yellow flames and ember bed for wood fire realism
- Highly detailed logs with the wood grain texture and color of real logs
- Millivolt model is remote ready for optional remote and wall controls
- Electronic control model includes EcoFlow Touchscreen remote (Manual & T-Stat modes, On-Off & 3 flame heights)
- Starting at \$1,158 List



**Peakside Timber** 



Ironwood Ridge



### **GAS FIREPLACE INSERTS**



MONTIGO.

#### **Premium Illume DVCP insert**

- Large 34" insert
- Vibrant wrap around flames
- Premium liner and log options
- Triple burner
- Ember Bed and top accent lighting



MAJESTIC

#### **Ruby Platinum insert**

- Medium 30" insert
- Elevated burner with wrap around flames
- Ember bed lighting
- Choice of new oak or birch logs
- Utilizes same liners and fronts as Ruby inserts







#### Part# 23-202 = Large Size Part# 23-202M = Medium Size

Comfortable PVC gloves with interior fleece lining that protect in temperatures as low as -22 F.

- Chemical Resistant
- Rough finish allows for excellent grip when wet
- Ideal for bobtail delivery drivers





# ME IMPORTANT RMI CONTACTS

#### **Customer Service**

For product info, to place orders, check order status, file warranty claims and other general inquires.

- 7am 5pm EST, M-F
- 1-800-628-5044
- Orders: orders@raymurray.com
- Warranty: warranty@raymurray.com

### **Technical Support**

RMI's Technical Support is available as a value added resource for our customers.

- 8am 5pm EST, M-F
- 1-800-628-5044
- technicaleraymurray.com

### www.raymurray.com

Conveniently check inventory & place orders 24/7 @ www.raymurray.com

- Click "Sign In" on top right of homepage to begin shopping.
  - To register for access follow prompts to "Register" for new account.
  - You must have an RMI account number to register for access.





# WHAT'S WRONG WITH @ THIS PICTURE?

by Chris Wolfe, Manager of Technical Support & Training



We are seeing the installation of back-up generators becoming increasingly popular. With the electric grid becoming questionable for reliability and more weather related disruptions, a back-up generator is a great investment. I've owned one for more than 13 years and provides me with peace of mind. Protect your investments and family by researching what you would need.

As we take a look at the photo, what are some things that stand out:

- The fuel gas line is rusted. NFPA# 54 requires that piping must be protected from atmospheric corrosion. The piping and fittings shall be coated with corrosion-resistant material.
- Is there a sediment installed at the inlet of the generator? If so, it might be difficult to maintain at its location behind the generator. Most generator manufacturers require a sediment trap if it is not incorporated in the piping system.
- Per the manufacturer, the flexible fuel line is to be installed straight with no kinks or bends. It is used to isolate vibration from the generator and settling.
- Most generator manufacturers require a minimum of 18" from the back of the generator to the building structure. How close is this one?
- Most generator manufacturers require 5' to an operable window, door, or opening from any point of the generator. Does that window open?

Always refer to the manufacturers' installation instructions to be sure that you are installing the generator to their specifications. Also refer to national and local codes to be sure that it was installed correctly. Even if it is an existing installation that you are providing gas to, be sure that it has been installed correctly and safely.



Have you seen a funky installation that doesn't look quite right? Email a picture to cwolfeeraymurray.com and if we use it in a future newsletter you'll get a \$150 credit to your account.