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Please excuse the delay in the delivery of these comments. Below please find ecobee's input on a few of the questions posed on the webinar:

Topic: Ability to receive and respond to application layer messages typical of Open ADR or CTA-2045.

Comment: ecobee feels this should be in the cloud so that it can be co-optimized with other optimizations that may be happening coincidentally.

Question: What are the downsides of DR application layer protocol translation locally in the product instead of using a cloud connection for DR response?

Comment: Some of the challenges include security, multiple optimization and support of the protocols, as it is expensive to add to products if there are no revenue streams to support the development.

Question: Should controllers or thermostats be included or considered to meet connected criteria for system types beyond variable capacity systems with proprietary thermostats?

Comment: With smart thermostat penetration above 15%, there are already existing well-known solutions in the market favored by customers. Therefore, embedded solutions from CAC manufacturers shouldn't be required, especially since the existing solutions are already seamlessly optimizing for things like DR and TOU.

Thank you,

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