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Reference: R6723-6 Rev 1

Dear Philip

RE: Stephenson House, London - Assessment of Noise from Roof Plant

I am pleased to provide our updated assessment of external noise levels from the proposed roof plant, with respect to the relevant planning condition requirements.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Condition 11 from the planning consent for Stephenson House (Ref: 2017/3518/P) states the following in relation to noise from plant and equipment associated with the scheme:

11. "Noise levels at a point 1 metre external to sensitive facades shall be at least 5dB(A) less than the existing background measurement (LA90), expressed in dB(A) when all plant/equipment (or any part of it) is in operation unless the plant/equipment hereby permitted will have a noise that has a distinguishable, discrete continuous note (whine, hiss, screech, hum) and/or if there are distinct impulses (bangs, clicks, clatters, thumps), then the noise levels from that piece of plant/equipment at any sensitive façade shall be at least 10dB(A) below the LA90, expressed in dB(A)."

1.2 Condition 23 also requires the following to be submitted prior to commencement of plant and equipment operation:

23. "Prior to commencement of the any plant equipment, full details (including plans, elevations, manufacturers specification and sections) of the proposed plant equipment and compounds shall be submitted to and approved by the local planning authority prior to that element of work. The details shall include details of the external noise level emitted from plant/machinery/equipment and mitigation measures as appropriate. The measures shall ensure that the external noise level emitted from plant, machinery/equipment will be lower than the lowest existing background noise level by at least 5dBA, by 10dBA where the source is tonal, as assessed according to BS4142:2014 at the nearest and/or most affected noise sensitive premises, with all machinery operating together at maximum capacity. A post installation noise assessment shall be carried out where required to confirm compliance with the noise criteria and additional steps to mitigate noise shall be taken, as necessary. Approved details shall be implemented prior to occupation of the development and thereafter be permanently retained."

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- 1.3 The proposed roof-mounted plant will comprise multiple condenser/VRV units, extract fans and AHUs serving the offices and residential elements of the scheme.
- 1.4 The plant located on the southern roof will serve the offices and will operate during typical office hours only, i.e. 07:00 – 19:00 hours. Plant serving the residential apartments will be located on the northern roof and will operate as required over 24 hours.
- 1.5 Existing background noise levels were obtained by 24 Acoustics in March 2017, as presented in technical report R6723-1 Rev 1. Additional background noise data has also been obtained from continuous noise monitoring undertaken on façades overlooking Drummond Street during 2019.
- 1.6 Nearby residential properties are located to the rear of the site on Drummond Street and opposite the site on Hampstead Road and Drummond Street. Figure 1 shows the site layout and location.
- 1.7 This report assesses external noise from the proposed roof plant, with reference to the existing background noise levels and the requirements of conditions 11 and 23.

2.0 CRITERIA

British Standard BS 4142

- 2.1 BS 4142:2014 'Methods for Rating Industrial and Commercial Sound, 2014' provides a method for rating the effects of industrial and commercial sound on residential areas.
- 2.2 The standard advocates a comparison between the representative measured L_{A90} background noise level and L_{Aeq} noise level from the source being considered. For rating purposes, if the noise source is tonal, intermittent or otherwise distinctive in character, a rating correction should be applied.

Plant Noise Criteria

- 2.3 Based on the measured background noise levels and the requirements of condition 11, the external plant noise limits, to be achieved at the nearest noise sensitive façades, are presented in Table 1 below.

Noise Sensitive Façades	Noise Rating Level (07:00 – 19:00) dB $L_{Aeq, 1hr}$	Noise Rating Level (00:00 – 00:00) dB $L_{Aeq, 15 min}$
Facing Hampstead Road	54	49
Facing Drummond Street	50	42
Facing the Rear of the site	45	43

Table 1: Maximum External Plant Noise Levels

- 2.4 In accordance with the planning condition requirements, in the event that tonal, impulsive or other distinctive features are present at the assessment location, the values in Table 1 should be reduced by 5 dB.

3.0 PLANT NOISE ASSESSMENT

3.1 The proposed plant items to be installed on the north and south roof areas are listed in Table 2 below.

South Roof Office Plant (07:00 – 19:00 hours)	North Roof Residential Plant (00:00 – 00:00)
32 x Mitsubishi VRF PURY Condensers 4 x Mitsubishi PUHZ Condensers 2 x Nuaire Toilet Extract Fans 1 x Dalair Supply AHU 1 x Dalair Extract AHU	7 x Mitsubishi PUMY Condensers 16 x Mitsubishi SUZ Condensers

Table 2: Maximum External Plant Noise Levels

- 3.2 The plant model numbers and manufacturer's noise level data are provided in Appendix B. GLP Consulting Engineers have confirmed that the Mitsubishi VRF PURY condensers would operate at 85 % fan speed, therefore the manufacturer's noise levels for 85 % fan speed have been used in the following calculations.
- 3.3 The cumulative noise levels from all plant units operating have been considered in the following assessment. The south roof plant area will be enclosed on all sides by a louvred screen, of approximate height 2.4 m above roof level. It should be noted that, where the nearest properties are located higher than the plant, the proposed louvred screen will have negligible benefit in reducing noise impact.
- 3.4 Calculations have been undertaken using the manufacturers' published noise data to determine the plant noise levels at the nearest existing noise sensitive properties. Calculations have included corrections for duct end reflections, directivity, distance and acoustic screening from the roof edge and the proposed louvred screen where applicable. The plant is not expected to exhibit any tonal characteristics.
- 3.5 It is recommended to install in-duct atmospheric-side attenuators to all AHUs and toilet extract fans. Table 3 shows the recommended minimum insertion losses for the proposed attenuators to each atmospheric intake and discharge.

Air Handling Plant (Nuaire)	Section	Single Octave (Hz) Attenuator Minimum Insertion Loss, dB							
		63	125	250	500	1k	2k	4k	8k
Toilet Extract Fan 01	Discharge	2	6	11	20	23	19	12	9
Toilet Extract Fan 02	Discharge	1	2	7	10	11	9	8	7
AHU 01 Supply	Intake	5	11	21	33	37	36	27	18
AHU 01 Extract	Discharge	2	6	11	20	23	19	12	9

Table 3: Recommended Minimum Insertion Losses for Atmospheric Side In-Duct Attenuators

3.6 Tables 4, 5 and 6 describe the predicted plant noise levels outside the nearest and most affected noise sensitive windows.

Noise Sensitive Properties	Daytime Noise Rating Level (07:00 – 19:00) dB LAeq, 1hr	24-hour Noise Rating Level (00:00 – 00:00) dB LAeq, 15 min
62-70 Hampstead Road	37	30
Plant Noise Limit	54	49

Table 4: Calculated External Plant Noise Levels – Façades facing Hampstead Road

Noise Sensitive Properties	Daytime Noise Rating Level (07:00 – 19:00) dB LAeq, 1hr	24-hour Noise Rating Level (00:00 – 00:00) dB LAeq, 15 min
175 Drummond Street	50	28
164-166 Drummond Street	40	Lower than 20
Plant Noise Limit	50	42

Table 5: Calculated External Plant Noise Levels – Façades facing Drummond Street

Noise Sensitive Properties	Daytime Noise Rating Level (07:00 – 19:00) dB LAeq, 1hr	24-hour Noise Rating Level (00:00 – 00:00) dB LAeq, 15 min
168-182 Drummond Street	38	Lower than 20
Plant Noise Limit	45	43

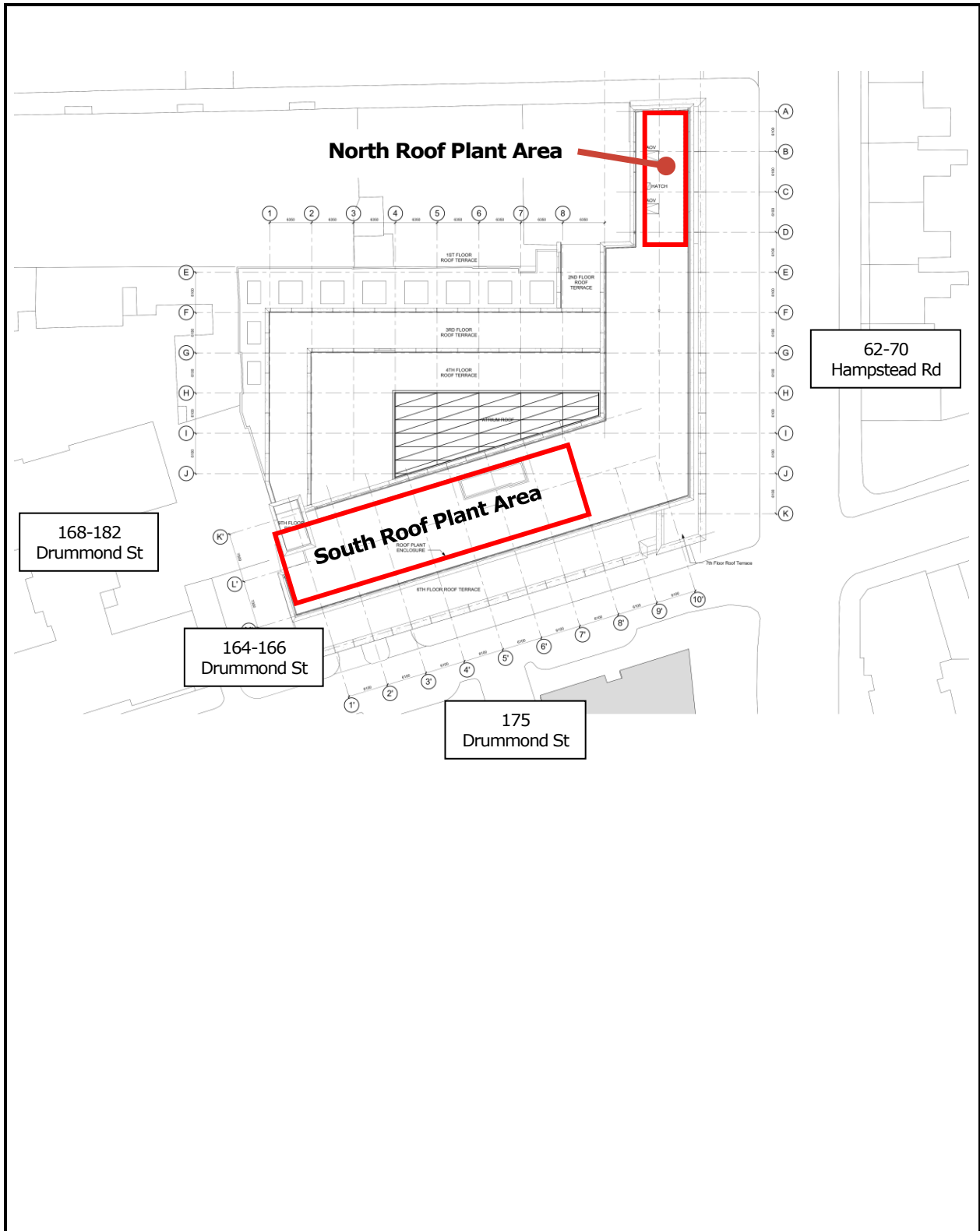
Table 6: Calculated External Plant Noise Levels – Façades facing the rear of the site


- 3.7 The calculated noise levels in Tables 4, 5 and 6 demonstrate that, with the attenuation measures as recommended, noise from the proposed plant will achieve the established criteria at the nearest noise sensitive properties.
- 3.8 It should be noted that, as seen in Table 5, the daytime plant noise levels at 175 Drummond Street only just achieve the upper noise limit required by the planning condition. The dominant sources of plant noise at this receptor location are the Mitsubishi VRF condenser units on the south roof. As many of the properties at 175 Drummond Street are located higher than the plant, the proposed louvred screen will have negligible benefit in reducing noise impact at these receptors.
- 3.9 On this basis, it may be worth considering additional attenuation measures to the VRF units in order to provide comfort that, with the addition of future tenants' plant and equipment, some design tolerance would be allowed.

I trust the above is in order. If you have any further queries in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,
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<p>Project: Stephenson House, London</p>	<p>Title: Site Plan and Nearest Noise Sensitive Properties</p>		
<p>DWG No: Figure 1</p>	<p>Scale: N.T.S.</p>	<p>Rev: 0</p>	

APPENDIX A: ACOUSTIC TERMINOLOGY

Noise is defined as unwanted sound. The range of audible sound is from 0 to 140 dB. The frequency response of the ear is usually taken to be around 18 Hz (number of oscillations per second) to 18000 Hz. The ear does not respond equally to different frequencies at the same level. It is more sensitive in the mid-frequency range than the lower and higher frequencies and because of this, the low and high frequency components of a sound are reduced in importance by applying a weighting (filtering) circuit to the noise measuring instrument. The weighting which is most widely used and which correlates best with subjective response to noise is the dBA weighting. This is an internationally accepted standard for noise measurements.

For variable sources, such as traffic, a difference of 3 dBA is just distinguishable. In addition, a doubling of traffic flow will increase the overall noise by 3 dBA. The 'loudness' of a noise is a purely subjective parameter, but it is generally accepted that an increase/ decrease of 10 dBA corresponds to a doubling/ halving in perceived loudness.

External noise levels are rarely steady, but rise and fall according to activities within an area. In attempt to produce a figure that relates this variable noise level to subjective response, a number of noise indices have been developed. These include:

- i) The L_{Amax} noise level

This is the maximum noise level recorded over the measurement period.

- ii) The L_{Aeq} noise level

This is "equivalent continuous A-weighted sound pressure level, in decibels" and is defined in British Standard BS 7445 as the "value of the A-weighted sound pressure level of a continuous, steady sound that, within a specified time interval, T, has the same mean square sound pressure as a sound under consideration whose level varies with time".

It is a unit commonly used to describe construction noise and noise from industrial premises and is the most suitable unit for the description of other forms of environmental noise. In more straightforward terms, it is a measure of energy within the varying noise.

- iii) The L_{A10} noise level

This is the noise level that is exceeded for 10% of the measurement period and gives an indication of the noisier levels. It is a unit that has been used over many years for the measurement and assessment of road traffic noise.

- iv) The L_{A90} noise level

This is the noise level that is exceeded for 90% of the measurement period and gives an indication of the noise level during the quieter periods. It is often referred to as the background noise level and is used in the assessment of disturbance from industrial noise.

APPENDIX B: MANUFACTURERS' PLANT NOISE DATA

mitsubishi VRV CONDENSERS at 85 % fan speed		
Model	dBA at 1m	Quantity
PURY-P200YNSW-A	55.5	1
PURY-P250YNSW-A	57.0	2
PURY-P300YNSW-A	59.5	1
PURY-P400YNSW-A	61.0	2
PURY-P450YNSW-A	64.0	1
PURY-P500YNSW-A	62.0	3
PURY-P550YNSW-A	63.5	2
PURY-P600YNSW-A	62.5	3
PURY-P650YNSW-A	63.9	1
PURY-P700YNSW-A	65.0	3
PURY-P800YNSW-A	64.0	5
PURY-P850YNSW-A	65.8	5
PURY-P1000YNSW-A	65.0	1
PURY-P1050YNSW-A	64.7	1
PURY-P1100YNSW-A	65.0	1
PUHZ-ZRP250YKA3	62.0	4

mitsubishi CONDENSERS		
Model	dBA at 1m	Quantity
PUMY-SP112VKM-E	52	7
SUZ-KA50VA4	52	7
SUZ-KA35VA4	50	5
SUZ-KA25VA4	48	4

TWIN FANS

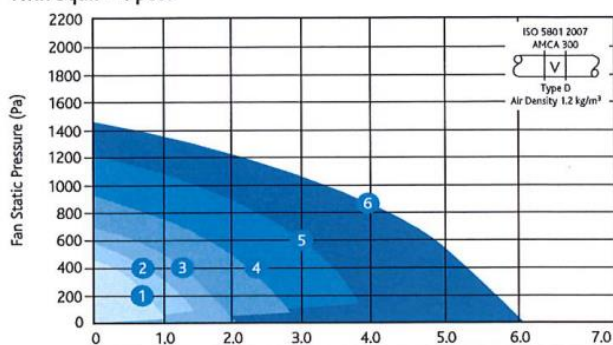
TWIN SQUIF

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

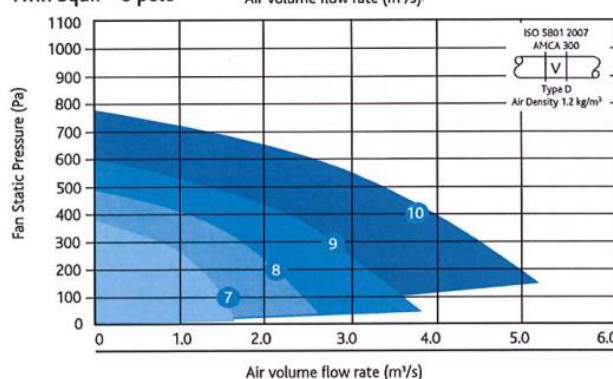
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PERFORMANCE - TWIN SQUIF FANS

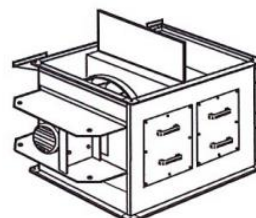
Twin Squif - 4 pole



Twin Squif - 6 pole



Casing



Code descriptions

SQFTA 4 1 - 3ES



1. Twin Squif Range
2. A = Ambient
3. Pole (4 or 6)
4. Curve No.
5. Phase (1 or 3)
6. Ecosmart control

Note: curves include loss through idling fan.

PERFORMANCE - TWIN SQUIF EXTRACT FANS

ELECTRICAL & SOUND

Curve	Code	Phase	RPM	Motor Power (kW)	FLC (amps)	SC (amps)	Data Type	Induct inlet Sound Power levels dB re 1pW								Breakout dBA@ 3m
								63	125	250	500	1K	2K	4K	8K	
1	SQFTA41-1	1	1410	0.37	2.8	11.2	I	90	93	79	70	70	70	69	62	52
							O	87	94	74	68	74	75	70	64	
1	SQFTA41-3	3	1450	0.37	1.06	5.2	I	90	93	79	70	70	70	69	62	52
							O	87	94	74	68	74	75	70	64	
2	SQFTA42-1	1	1370	0.75	5.4	21	I	88	95	82	77	74	76	75	67	55
							O	85	96	78	74	78	80	77	69	
2	SQFTA42-3	3	1450	0.75	2.01	9.04	I	88	95	82	77	74	76	75	67	55
							O	85	96	78	74	78	80	77	69	
3	SQFTA43-1	1	1420	1.1	7	35	I	92	98	83	79	77	78	78	71	58
							O	89	99	79	77	82	83	79	73	
3	SQFTA43-3	3	1450	1.1	2.5	12	I	92	98	83	79	77	78	78	71	58
							O	89	99	79	77	82	83	79	73	
4	SQFTA44	3	1450	2.2	4.8	28.8	I	86	96	89	82	77	80	80	71	58
							O	87	90	86	87	81	82	82	68	
5	SQFTA45	3	1450	4	9	59	I	92	102	87	85	85	84	83	81	63
							O	90	103	83	82	89	89	84	83	
6	SQFTA46	3	1450	7.5	15.2	108	I	92	106	92	86	86	85	86	83	64
							O	95	95	90	91	89	87	87	81	
7	SQFTA61	3	960	0.75	2.1	8.82	I	84	92	84	75	70	73	73	64	48
							O	85	86	81	80	74	75	75	61	
8	SQFTA62	3	960	1.1	3	13.2	I	90	99	83	78	76	75	74	72	58
							O	87	100	78	76	80	79	75	74	
9	SQFTA63	3	960	2.2	5.9	28.9	I	90	103	87	79	76	76	77	73	61
							O	87	104	82	77	80	80	78	75	
10	SQFTA64	3	960	4	9.4	61.2	I	91	106	91	82	79	77	77	74	64
							O	88	107	86	80	83	82	78	76	

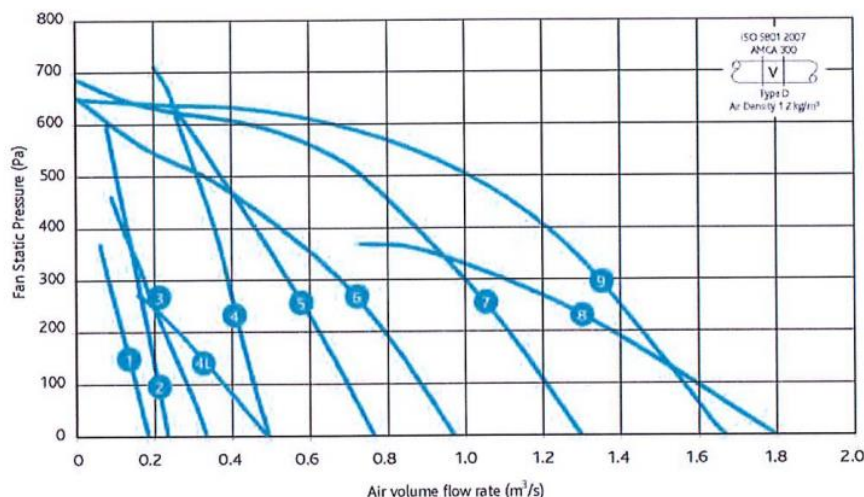
Breakout dBA@3m is hemispherical free field. The electrical and sound information in the table are nominal figures.

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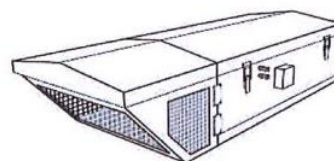


AIRE-VOLVE TWIN FANS TECHNICAL INFORMATION

PERFORMANCE - AIRE-VOLVE EXTERNAL TWIN FANS



Casing



AVT-R External In-line Twin Fan with grille outlet.

Code descriptions

AVT2 - R



1. Aire-Volve range
2. Twin Fan
3. Case size 1-9
4. Grille outlet external unit

PERFORMANCE - AIRE-VOLVE EXTERNAL TWIN FANS AVT 1-9 - R

AVT 'R' UNIT - ELECTRICAL & SOUND

1. Unweighted induct inlet octave band Sound Power Level - dB re 1pW
2. Unweighted open outlet octave band Sound Power Level - dB re 1pW

Curve/ Code	Duct conn.	Supply (V/Freq Hz/Phase)	FLC (amps)	SC (amps)	Input Power (Max) (W)	Fan Speed (Nominal)	Frequency (Hz)								Outlet Radiated Free Field dBA @ 3m (Spherical Radiation)	
							63	125	250	500	1K	2K	4K	8K		
AVT1-R	250	230/50/1	0.75	0.75	85	3300	1	75	69	64	65	61	57	53	51	54
							2	75	70	68	71	71	66	60	56	
AVT2-R	250	230/50/1	1.4	1.4	170	4000	1	81	75	70	71	67	63	59	57	60
							2	81	76	74	77	77	72	66	62	
AVT3-R	250	230/50/1	1.35	1.35	170	2500	1	79	75	81	69	65	60	54	52	59
							2	79	76	85	75	75	69	61	57	
AVT4-R	315	230/50/1	3.1	3.1	500	3400	1	85	80	82	84	80	75	71	68	72
							2	85	81	86	90	90	84	78	73	
AVT4L-R	315	230/50/1	1.1	1.1	160	1700	1	72	67	67	66	60	57	53	48	54
							2	72	68	71	72	70	66	60	53	
AVT5-R	315	230/50/1	3.5	3.5	550	2400	1	76	72	71	70	64	62	58	53	58
							2	76	73	75	76	74	71	65	58	
AVT6-R	400	230/50/1	2.9	2.9	450	1700	1	79	81	76	74	68	66	62	55	62
							2	79	82	80	80	78	75	69	60	
AVT7-R	400	230/50/1	3.5	3.5	790	1700	1	80	77	75	75	69	66	63	58	63
							2	80	78	79	81	79	75	70	63	
AVT8-R	500	230/50/1	3.2	3.2	710	1100	1	76	77	73	68	64	65	61	55	59
							2	76	78	77	74	74	74	68	60	
AVT9-R	500	400/50/1	1.85	1.85	1000	1500	1	81	78	78	75	68	67	67	59	63
							2	81	79	82	81	78	76	74	64	

Dalair Estimating System v4.0f		January 30th, 2018							
Electric Frost Heater									
Volume	8.7 m ³ /s								
Air On Coil Db	-5 °C								
Air Off Coil Db	10 °C								
Duty	157 kW								
Medium	Electric 400V-3Ph-50Hz								
Type of Control	Thyristor								
Controls	Excluded								
Construction	Sheathed elements								
G4 Panel Filters									
Type	Panel								
Efficiency	G4								
Arrangement	5W x 2.5H								
Withdrawal	Front								
Manometer	Magnahelic								
F7 Bag Filters									
Type	Bag								
Efficiency	F7								
Arrangement	5W x 2.5H								
Withdrawal	Front								
Manometer	Magnahelic								
Run Around Coil (ExP 2018)									
Volume	8.7 m ³ /s								
Air On Coil Db	10 °C								
Air Off Coil Db	14 °C								
Duty	41.8 kW								
Face velocity	2.1 m/s								
R/A Efficiency	68 %								
Medium	Water/Ethylene glycol mix								
Glycol	25 %								
Flow Temp	15.2 °C								
Return Temp	11.1 °C								
Flow Rate	2.65 l/s								
Water Pd	70 KPa								
Rows/Fins	12R/11F								
No of Sections	1								
Construction	Copper/Aluminium								
Direct Drive Supply Fan									
Volume	8.7 m ³ /s								
External static	550 Pa								
Total static	1011 Pa								
Absorbed power	12.428 kW								
Motor power	18.5 kW (IE2)								
Fan type	PLUG / Backward curved / Direct driven								
Fan speed	1117 RPM								
Total fan efficiency	77.0 %								
Electrical Supply	400V-3Ph-50Hz								
Fan discharge SWL levels	63	125	250	500	1000	2000	4000	8000 (Hz)	
(to BS848)	85	96	96	98	95	94	87	83	
Includes +4dB fan in casework adjustment									
Door guard fitted?	YES								
Suitable for inverters?	YES								
Isolator fitted?	YES								
Standby motor fitted?	NO								
Thermistors fitted?	YES								
DX Heat Pump Cooling Cycle									
Volume	8.7 m ³ /s								
Air On Coil Db	28 °C								
Air On Coil Wb	20 °C								
Air Off Coil Db	14 °C								
Air Off Coil Wb	13.5 °C								
Duty	202.8 kW								
Face velocity	2.1 m/s								
Medium	Refrigerant R410A								
Evap. Temp	8.5 °C								
Rows/Fins	6R/8F								
No of Sections	4								
Construction	Copper/Aluminium								
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Dalair Estimating System v4.0f		January 30th, 2018							
Run Around Coil (ErP 2018)									
Volume	3.94 m ³ /s								
Air On Coil Db	21 °C								
Air On Coil Wb	14.6 °C								
Air Off Coil Db	12.1 °C								
Air Off Coil Wb	11 °C								
Duty	42.6 kW								
Face velocity	2.1 m/s								
R/A Efficiency	68 %								
Medium	Water/Ethylene glycol mix								
Glycol	25 %								
Flow Temp	11.1 °C								
Return Temp	15.2 °C								
Flow Rate	2.65 l/s								
Water Pd	45 KPa								
Rows/Fins	12R/11F								
No of Sections	1								
Construction	Copper/Aluminium								
Eliminators	YES								
Drain Pan	Fixed								
Direct Drive Extract Fan									
Volume	3.94 m ³ /s								
External static	250 Pa								
Total static	546 Pa								
Absorbed power	3.29 kW								
Motor power	5.5 kW (IE2)								
Fan type	PLUG / Backward curved / Direct driven								
Fan speed	1331 RPM								
Total fan efficiency	75.1 %								
Electrical Supply	400V-3Ph-50Hz								
Fan discharge SWL levels (to BS848)	63 125 250 500 1000 2000 4000 8000 (Hz)	76	86	86	89	88	88	80	77
Includes +4dB fan in casework adjustment									
Door guard fitted?	YES								
Suitable for inverters?	YES								
Isolator fitted?	YES								
Standby motor fitted?	NO								
Thermistors fitted?	YES								
Extract Air Outlet									
Louvre & Damper	(Damper Seals:- Side & Blade)								
Air Volume	3.94 m ³ /s								
Approximate weight of unit 2369 kg									
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