

## **CERTIFIED SOLAR THERMAL COLLECTOR**

SUPPLIER: Apricus Inc.

370 State St Suite 2 North Haven, CT 06473 USA www.apricus.com

MODEL: ETC-20 THERMAL Tubular COLLECTOR TYPE:

**CERTIFICATION #:** 100573

August 28, 2015

Original Certification:

**Expiration Date:** May 13, 2035

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	COLLECTOR THERMAL PERFORMANCE RATING							
I	Cilowatt-hours (therm	al) Per Panel Per Da	ıy		Thousands of Btu	Per Panel Per Day		
Category Inlet	Low 30°C	Intermediate 50°C	High 100°C	Category Inlet	Low 86°F	Intermediate 122°F	High 212°F	
ENERGY OUTPUT	6.5	5.7	3.5	ENERGY OUTPUT	22.2	19.5	12.0	

COLLECTOR SPECIFICATIONS							
Gross Area:	2.994 m²	32.23 ft <sup>2</sup>	Dry Weight:	95 kg	209 lb		
Net Aperture Area:	1.647 m²	17.73 ft²	Fluid Capacity:	0.7 liter	0.2 gal		
Absorber Area:	1.421 m²	15.30 ft²	Test Pressure:	1264 kPa	183 psi		

TECHNICAL INFO	RMATION	Tested in accordance with: ISO 9806				
ISO Efficiency Equation [NOTE: Based on gross area and (P)=Ti-Ta]						
SI UNITS:	η= 0.437 - 0.959(P/G) - 0.007(P²/G)	Y Intercept:	0.441	Slope:	-1.506 W/m².°C	
IP UNITS:	η= 0.437 - 0.169(P/G) - 0.001(P²/G)	Y Intercept:	0.441	Slope:	-0.265 Btu/hr.ft².°F	

Transverse Incident Angle Modifier							Longitudinal Incident Angle Modifier at			
θ	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	Test Fluid:	Water	
Κτα								Test Mass Flow Rate:	0.0045 kg/(s m²)	3.35 lb/(hr ft²)

REMARKS:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (click here to return to the rating page)						
Test Lab:	TUV Rheinland PTL, LLC	Test Report Date:	May 13, 2015			
Test Report Number:	154027353A_SRCC_ETC- 30_REPORT_ZHAO	Test conducted:	outdoors			

SOLAR COLLECTOR CONSTRUCTION DETAILS						
Header Enclosure:						
Gross Length:	2.004 m	Gross Width:	1.494 m	Gross Depth:	0.5 m	
Tube Bank:						
Gross Length:	2.190 m	Gross Width:	0.129 m			

COLLECTOR MATERIALS							
Outer Cover:	Glass	Tube	Enclosure back:		Back Insula	ation:	None,
Inner Cover:	No	ne	Enclosure side:	None	Side Insula	tion:	,
Absorber Description:		Glass Tubes	Flow Pattern:		Parallel/Harp		
Riser Tube:		Copper		Fin:		Aluminum	
Absorber Coating:			Selective	Tube to fin connection			

Glazing	Outer Cover	Inner Cover
Material:	Glass Tube	None
Surface Characteristics:		
Thickness:		N/A
Transmissivity:		
Gross Tube Length (uninstalled):		
Diameter:	0.058 m	
Tube Glazing to Header Enclosure Seal:		
Reflector Shape:	Reflector Material:	





ABSORBER:					
Header Material:	Copper	Header OD:	21.2 mm	Header Wall:	
Riser Tube Material:	Copper	Riser Tube OD:	47.0 mm	Riser Tube Wall Thickness:	
Fin Material:	Aluminum	Fin Thickness:		-	
Flow Pattern:	Parallel/Harp	Number of Flow Tubes / Heat Pipes:	1	Tube / Heat Pipe Spacing:	73.0 mm
Number of absorber tubes:	30	Flow Tube to Fin Bond:		Length of Flow Path:	
Length of Flow Path:		Riser to Fin/Plate Bond:			

INSULATION:							
Location	Туре	Thickness	Location	Ту	ре	Thickness	
Back - Top Layer:	None		Sides - Inner Layer:				
Back - Bottom Layer:			Sides - Outer Layer:				
Enclosure Fastening Methods:			Header Enclosure:		Aluminum		

ower Output per Collecto Ti-Ta, G = 1000 W/m² ]
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PRESSURE DROP	
SI UNITS:	$\Delta P$ = pressure drop (kpa), f = mass flow rate (kg/s) $\Delta P$ = + f + f <sup>2</sup>
IP UNITS:	$\Delta P$ = pressure drop (psi), f = mass flow rate (lb/s) $\Delta P$ = + f + f <sup>2</sup>

