
OPERATION AND SERVICE INSTRUCTIONS

Q-TEC™ QERV Energy Recovery Ventilator with Exhaust

For Use with Bard Q-TEC Heat Pumps Models:

Q24H4-A,-B,-C Q30H4-A,-B,-C Q36H4-A,-B,-C
Q24H4DA,B,C Q30H4DA,B,C Q36H4DA,B,C



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WARNING

Electrical shock hazard.
Disconnect remote electrical power supply or supplies before servicing.
Failure to do so could result in electric shock or death.

WARNING

Exposed moving parts.
Disconnect electrical power before servicing.
Failure to do so could result in severe injury or amputation.

CAUTION

Cut hazard.
Wear gloves to avoid contact with sharp edges.
Failure to do so could result in personal injury.

Electrical Specifications

Model	Voltage	Amps	Control Voltage
QERV	230/208	2.2	24V
	460	1.2	24V

Description

The energy recovery ventilator was designed to provide energy efficient, cost effective ventilation to meet IAQ (Indoor Air Quality) requirements while still maintaining good indoor comfort and humidity control for a variety of applications such as schools, classrooms, lounges, conference rooms, beauty salons and others. It provides a constant supply of fresh air for control of airborne pollutants including CO₂, smoke, radon, formaldehyde, excess moisture, virus and bacteria.

The ventilator incorporates patented rotary heat exchanger technology to remove both heat and moisture.

The package consists of a unique rotary energy recovery cassette that can be easily removed for cleaning or maintenance. The QERV has two 13" diameter heat transfer wheels. The heat transfer wheels use a permanently bonded dry desiccant coating for total heat recovery.

Ventilation is accomplished with two blower/motor assemblies each consisting of a drive motor and dual blowers for maximum ventilation at low sound levels. The intake and exhaust blowers can be operated at the same speed (airflow rate) or different speeds to allow flexibility in maintaining desired building pressurization conditions. Factory shipped on medium intake and low exhaust. See Figure 1 on page 6 to change speeds. The rotating energy wheels provide the heat transfer effectively during both summer and winter conditions. Provide required ventilation to meet the requirements of ASHRAE 62.1 standard.

NOTE: *During operation below 5°F outdoor temperature, freezing of moisture in the heat transfer wheel can occur. Consult the factory if this possibility exists.*

QERV Performance and Application Data

Summer Cooling Performance (Indoor Design Conditions 75°DB/62°WB)

Ambient O.D.	Ventilation Rate 450 CFM 65% Efficiency						Ventilation Rate 375 CFM 66% Efficiency						Ventilation Rate 300 CFM 67% Efficiency							
	DB/WB	F	VLT	VLS	VLL	HRT	HRS	HRL	VLT	VLS	VLL	HRT	HRS	HRL	VLT	VLS	VLL	HRT	HRS	HRL
105	75		21465	14580	6884	13952	9477	4475	17887	12150	5737	11805	8018	3786	14310	9720	4590	9587	6512	3075
	70		14580	14580	0	9477	9477	0	12150	12150	0	8018	8018	0	9720	9720	0	6512	6512	0
	65		14580	14580	0	9477	9477	0	12150	12150	0	8018	8018	0	9720	9720	0	6512	6512	0
100	80		31590	12150	19440	20533	7897	12635	26325	10125	16200	17374	6682	10692	21060	8100	12960	14110	5427	8683
	75		21465	12150	9314	13952	7897	6054	17887	10125	7762	11805	6682	5123	14310	8100	6210	9587	5427	4160
	70		12352	12150	202	8029	7897	131	10293	10125	168	6793	6682	111	8235	8100	135	5517	5427	90
	65		12150	12150	0	7897	7897	0	10125	10125	0	6682	6682	0	8100	8100	0	5427	5427	0
95	80		31590	9720	21870	20533	6318	14215	26325	8100	18225	17374	5345	12028	21060	6480	14580	14110	4341	9768
	75		21465	9720	11744	13952	6318	7634	17887	8100	9787	11805	5345	6459	14310	6480	7830	9587	4341	5246
	70		12352	9720	2632	8029	6318	1711	10293	8100	2193	6793	5345	1447	8235	6480	1755	5517	4341	1175
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90	80		31590	7290	24300	20533	4738	15794	26325	6075	20250	17374	4009	13365	21060	4860	16200	14110	3256	10854
	75		21465	7290	14175	13952	4738	9213	17887	6075	11812	11805	4009	7796	14310	4860	9450	9587	3256	6331
	70		12352	7290	5062	8029	4738	3290	10293	6075	4218	6793	4009	2784	8235	4860	3375	5517	3256	2261
	65		7290	7290	0	4738	4738	0	6075	6075	0	4009	4009	0	4860	4860	0	3256	3256	0
85	80		31590	4860	26730	20533	3159	17374	26325	4050	22275	17374	2672	14701	21060	3240	17820	14110	2170	11939
	75		21465	4860	16605	13952	3159	10793	17887	4050	13837	11805	2672	9132	14310	3240	11070	9587	2170	7416
	70		12352	4860	7492	8029	3159	4870	10293	4050	6243	6793	2672	4120	8235	3240	4995	5517	2170	3346
	65		4860	4860	0	3159	3159	0	4050	4050	0	2672	2672	0	3240	3240	0	2170	2170	0
80	75		21465	2430	19035	13952	1579	12372	17887	2025	15862	11805	1336	10469	14310	1620	12690	9587	1085	8502
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	65		4252	0	4252	2764	0	2764	3543	0	3543	2338	0	2338	2835	0	2835	1899	0	1899
	60		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Winter Heating Performance (Indoor Design Conditions 70°F DB)

Ambient O.D.	Ventilation Rate								
	450 CFM 80% Efficiency			375 CFM 81% Efficiency			300 CFM 82% Efficiency		
DB/°F	VLT	HRS	VLS	VLT	HRS	VLS	VLT	HRS	VLS
65	2430	1944	486	2025	1640	385	1620	1328	292
60	4860	3888	972	4050	3280	770	3240	2656	583
55	7290	5832	1458	6075	4920	1154	4860	3985	875
50	9720	7776	1944	8100	6561	1539	6480	5313	1166
45	12150	9720	2430	10125	8201	1924	8100	6642	1458
40	14580	11664	2916	12150	9841	2309	9720	7970	1750
35	17010	13608	3402	14175	11481	2693	11340	9298	2041
30	19440	15552	3888	16200	13122	3078	12960	10627	2333
25	21870	17496	4374	18225	14762	3463	14580	11955	2624
20	24300	19440	4860	20250	16402	3848	16200	13284	2916
15	26730	21384	5346	22275	18042	4232	17820	14612	3208
10	29160	23328	5832	24300	19683	4617	19440	15941	3499
5	31590	25272	6318	26325	21323	5002	21060	17269	3791
0	34020	27216	6804	28350	22964	5387	22680	18598	4082
-5	36450	29160	7290	30375	24604	5771	24300	19926	4374
-10	38880	31104	7776	32400	26244	6156	25920	21254	4666

LEGEND

VLT = Ventilation Load – Total
VLS = Ventilation Load – Sensible
VLL = Ventilation Load – Latent
HR = Heat Recovery – Total
HRS = Heat Recovery – Sensible
HRL = Heat Recovery – Latent

NOTE: All performance data is based on operating intake and exhaust blower on the same speed.

Control Wiring

The QERV comes from the factory with the low voltage control wires connected to the wall mount low voltage terminal strip. Care must be taken when deciding how to control the operation of the ventilator. When designing the control circuit for the ventilator, the following requirements must be met.

Control Requirements

1. Indoor blower motor will automatically run whenever the QERV is run.
2. Select the correct motor speed tap in the QERV. Using Table 1, determine the motor speed needed to get the desired amount of ventilation air needed. For instance, do not use the high speed tap on a QERV if only 250 CFM of ventilation air is needed. Use the low speed tap instead (see **Ventilation Airflow** for information on moving the speed taps). Using the high speed tap would serve no useful purpose and significantly affect the overall efficiency of the air conditioning system. System operating cost would also increase.

TABLE 1
Ventilation Air (CFM)

Model	High Speed (Black)	Medium Speed (Blue)	Low Speed (Red)
QERV	400	325	250

3. Run the QERV only during periods when the conditioned space is occupied. Running the QERV during unoccupied periods wastes energy, decreases the expected life of the QERV and can result in a large moisture buildup in the structure. The QERV removes 60-70% of the moisture in the incoming air, not 100% of it. Running the QERV when the structure is unoccupied allows moisture to build up in the structure because there is little or no cooling load. Thus, the air conditioner is not running enough to remove the excess moisture being brought in. Use a control system that in some way can control the system based on occupancy.



IMPORTANT

Operating the QERV during unoccupied periods can result in a buildup of moisture in the structure.

Recommended Control Sequences

Several possible control scenarios are listed below:

1. Use a programmable electronic thermostat with auxiliary terminal to control the QERV based on daily programmed occupancy periods. Bard markets and recommends Bard Part No. 8403-060 programmable electronic thermostat for air conditioner and heat pump applications.
2. Use a motion sensor in conjunction with a mechanical thermostat to determine occupancy in the structure. Bard recommends Bard Model CS9B*-* CompleteStat for this application.
3. Use a CO₂ control with dry contacts to energize the QERV when CO₂ levels rise above desired settings.
4. Use a DDC control system to control the QERV based on a room occupancy schedule to control the QERV.
5. Tie the operation of the QERV into the light switch. The lights in a room are usually on only when occupied.
6. Use a manual timer that the occupants turn to energize the QERV for a specific number of hours.
7. Use a programmable mechanical timer to energize the QERV and indoor blower during occupied periods of the day.

Ventilation Airflow

The QERV is equipped with a 3-speed motor to provide the capability of adjusting the ventilation rates to the requirements of the specific application by changing motor speeds (see Table 1).



WARNING

Open disconnect to shut all power OFF before changing motor speeds. Failure to do so could result in injury or death due to electrical shock.

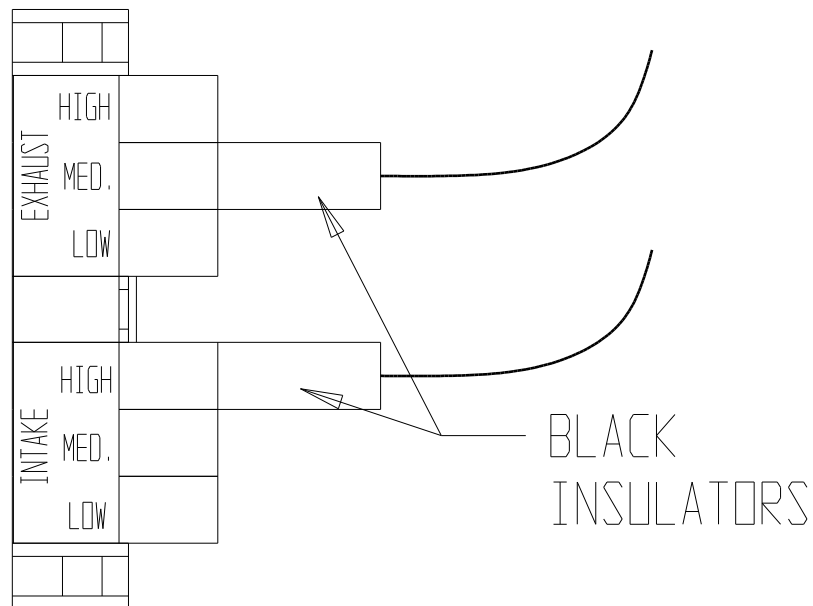
The units are set from the factory with the exhaust blower on the low speed and the intake blower on medium speed. Moving the speed taps located in the control panel can change the blower speed of the intake and exhaust (see Figure 1 on page 6).

NOTE: No setup changes required to operate in Balanced Climate™ mode.

FIGURE 1
Speed Tap Label

TO ADJUST INTAKE AND
EXHAUST BLOWER SPEEDS

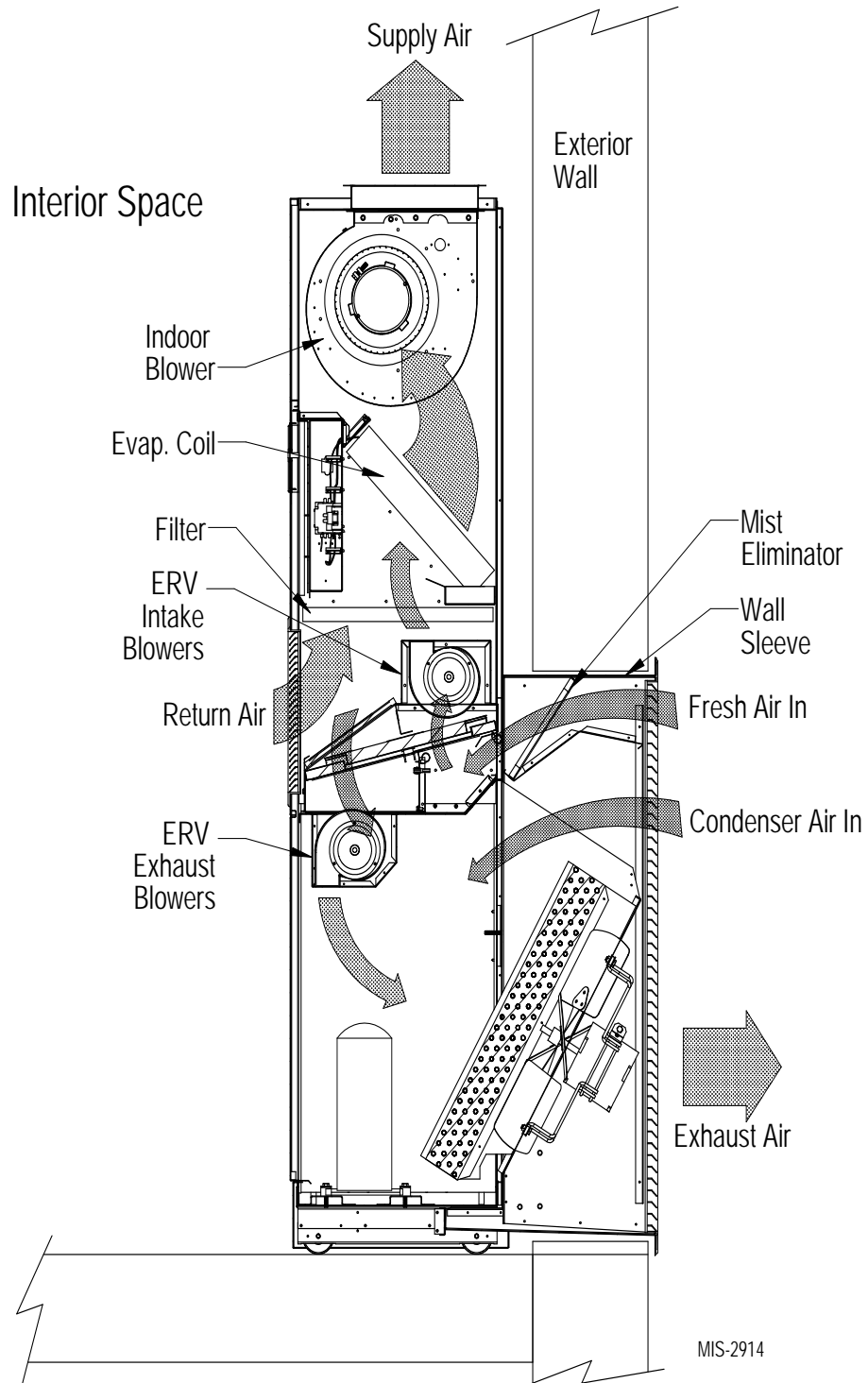
1. DISCONNECT POWER TO UNIT
2. REMOVE ERV CONTROL PANEL COVER
3. MOVE BLACK INSULATOR TO DESIRED
SPEED ON TERMINAL CONNECTOR



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FIGURE 2
Mechanical Cooling Operation



Energy Recovery Ventilator Maintenance

General Information

The ability to clean exposed surfaces within air moving systems is an important design consideration for the maintenance of system performance and air quality. The need for periodic cleaning will be a function of operating schedule, climate and contaminants in the indoor air being exhausted and in the outdoor air being supplied to the building. All components exposed to the airstream, including energy recovery wheels, may require cleaning in most applications.

Rotary counterflow heat exchanges (heat wheels) with laminar airflow are “self-cleaning” with respect to dry particles. Smaller particles pass through; larger particles land on the surface and are blown clear as the flow direction is reversed. For this reason, the primary need for cleaning is to remove films of oil-based aerosols that have condensed on energy transfer surfaces. Buildup of material over time may eventually reduce airflow. Most importantly, in the case of desiccant-coated (enthalpy) wheels, such films can close off micron-sized pores at the surface of the desiccant material, reducing the efficiency with which the desiccant can absorb and desorb moisture.

Frequency

In a reasonably clean indoor environment such as a school, office building or home, experience shows that reductions of airflow or loss of sensible (temperature) effectiveness may not occur for 10 or more years. However, experience also shows that measurable changes in latent energy (water vapor) transfer can occur in shorter periods of time in commercial, institutional and residential applications experiencing moderate occupant smoking or with cooking facilities. In applications experiencing unusually high levels of occupant smoking, such as smoking lounges, nightclubs, bars and restaurants, washing of energy transfer surfaces, as frequently as every 6 months, may be necessary to maintain latent transfer efficiency. Similar washing cycles may also be appropriate for industrial applications involving the ventilation of high levels of smoke or oil-based aerosols such as those found in welding or machining operations, for example. In these applications, latent efficiency losses of as much as 40% or more may develop over a period of 1 to 3 years.

Cleanability and Performance

In order to maintain energy recovery ventilation systems, energy transfer surfaces must be accessible for washing to remove oils, grease, tars and dirt that can impede performance or generate odors. Washing of the desiccant surfaces is required to remove contaminate buildups that can reduce absorption of water molecules. The continued ability of an enthalpy

wheel to transfer latent energy depends upon the permanence of the bond between the desiccant and the energy transfer surfaces.

Bard wheels feature silica gel desiccant permanently bonded to the heat exchange surface without adhesives; the desiccant will not be lost in the washing process. Proper cleaning of the Bard energy recovery wheel will restore latent effectiveness to near original performance.

Maintenance Procedures

NOTE: *Local conditions can vary and affect the required time between routine maintenance procedures; therefore, all sites (or specific units at a site) may not have the same schedule to maintain acceptable performance. The following timetables are recommended and can be altered based on local experience.*

Quarterly Maintenance

1. Inspect mist eliminator/prefilter and clean if necessary. This filter is located in the fresh air intake hood on the front of the unit. This is an aluminum mesh filter and can be cleaned with water and any detergent not harmful to aluminum.
 2. Inspect wall mount unit filter and clean or replace as necessary. This filter is located either in the unit, in a return air filter grille assembly or both. If in the unit it can be accessed by removing the lower service door on the front of the unit. If in a return air filter grille, by hinging the grille open to gain access.
 3. Inspect energy recovery ventilator for proper wheel rotation and dirt buildup. This can be done in conjunction with Item 2 above. Energize the energy recovery ventilator after inspecting the filter and observe for proper rotation and/or dirt buildup.
 4. Recommended energy recovery wheel cleaning procedures follow: Disconnect all power to unit. Remove the lower service door of the wall mount unit to gain access to the energy recovery ventilator.
 5. Remove the front access panel on the ventilator. Unplug amp connectors to cassette motors. Slide energy recovery cassette out of ventilator.
 6. Use a shop vacuum with brush attachment to clean both sides of the energy recovery wheels.
 7. Reverse shop vacuum to use as a blower and blow out any residual dry debris from the wheel.
- NOTE:** *Discoloration and staining of the wheel does not affect its performance. Only excessive buildup of foreign material needs to be removed.*
8. If any belt chirping or squealing noise is present, apply a small amount of LPS-1 or equivalent dry film lubricant to the belt.

Annual Maintenance

1. Inspect and conduct the same procedures as outlined under **Quarterly Maintenance**.
2. To maintain peak latent (moisture) removal capacity, it is recommended that the energy recovery wheels be sprayed with a diluted nonacid-based evaporator coil cleaner or alkaline detergent solution such as 409.

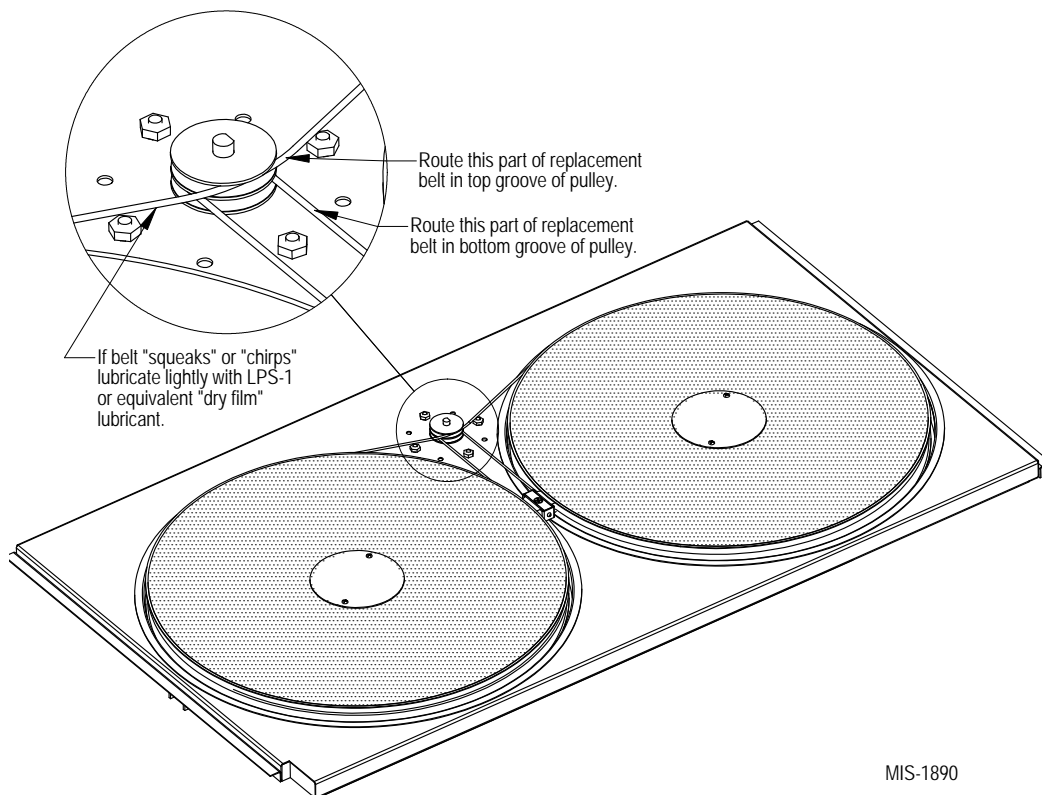
NOTE: Do not use acid-based cleaners, aromatic solvents, temperatures in excess of 170°F or steam. Damage to the wheel may result.

Do not disassemble and immerse the entire heat wheel in a soaking solution, as bearing and other damage may result.

3. Rinse wheel thoroughly after application of the cleaning solution and allow to drain before re-installing.

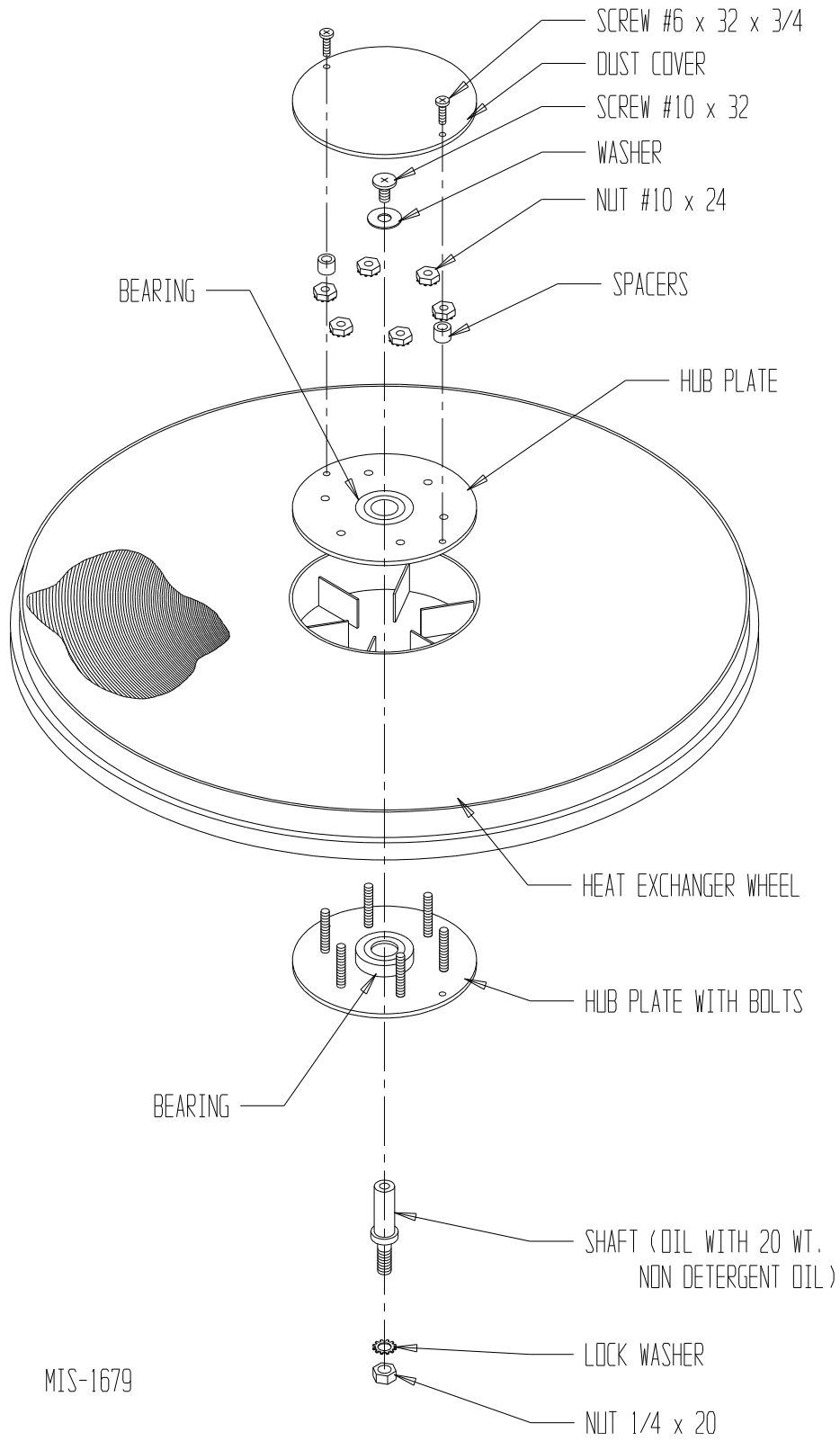
4. No re-lubrication is required to heat wheel bearings of the drive motor, or to the intake and exhaust blower motors.
5. If any belt chirping or squealing noise is present, apply a small amount of LPS-1 or equivalent dry film lubricant to the belt.

FIGURE 3
Belt Replacement Instructions



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FIGURE 4
Hub Assembly with Ball Bearings



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