

Conservation Case Study

John's Place: we should have switched sooner

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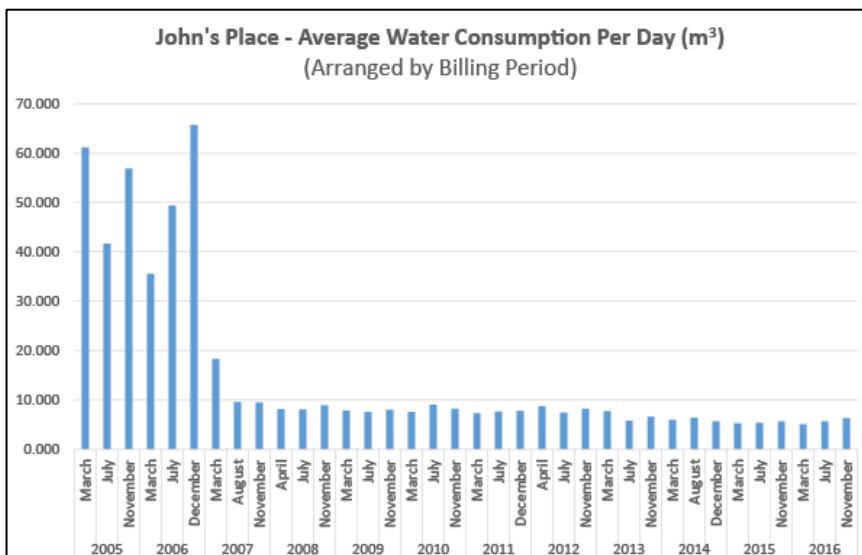
When John's Place Restaurant upgraded their water-cooled refrigeration system to air cooled, they achieved payback in under two years. Here is their story:

"We opened in October '84. And in those days, nobody told you about ways to save on energy costs. Today, we do seven times the business we did in that first year – about 600 a day.

So when the CRD told me I could save \$30,000 a year by switching from water-cooled to air-cooled refrigeration, I sure took notice. That and the other changes they recommended like low-flow faucets for the kitchen and high efficiency toilets.



Significant water reduction was realized immediately and continued long after



Now the great news: Six refrigeration units were replaced, realizing significant water savings. A system was installed that vented into the basement. This solved issues with the venting air-cooled units into the already hot kitchen environment. I'm no longer wasting money. As a business owner, it's great that for once we can save the dollars and do our part for the environment."

- John Cantin, Owner, John's Place Restaurant, Victoria, BC