

# Hydronic Connection

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## Happy Trails to You, Cyndi!



It is time to say, "Happy Trails," to our dear Branch Administrator, Cyndi, as she ends her 12 Year career with J.M. O'Connor and heads off into retirement.

Cyndi has been a joy to have on our team and an asset in every aspect of her job. She shows great attention to detail and strives towards excellence in everything she does. Everyone at JMO wants to wish Cyndi many happy years as she enjoys retirement life. She will be greatly missed!

## ~ Get in the Zone ~ A Taco Zone Valve Comparison

Taco offers several different styles of zone valves. Let's take a look at how they compare in design and function.

The **Taco Heat Motor Zone Valve** has been an industry leader for decades. It contains an element filled with wax that expands when heated to open the valve and contracts when cooled to close the valve when the thermostat is satisfied. This Heat Motor style valve comes in a 2-way design, a 3-way design to control the flow to a fan coil or terminal heating unit, as well as geo-thermal versions for use in heat pump applications.

The **Taco Zone Sentry** zone valve has a sleek design and utilizes a circuit to control a gear-driven electronic actuator which drives a ball valve within the body. These valves are available either normally open or normally closed and can be used in a wide variety of heating and condensing cooling applications, primarily designed for use with baseboard, fan coils, radiators, convectors, air handlers, heat pumps and radiant applications.



Taco Heat Motor, Zone Sentry, and QuickTop Zone Valves

The Zone Sentry zone valve line is available in several different styles for use in various applications. The **Geo-Sentry Geothermal** zone valve is especially suited for use in either open or closed loop geothermal systems with water source heat pumps. The **Taco Potable Water Zone Sentry** is available for use in a combination domestic water and hydronic heating system, culinary installation or water shut off to a potable system. The **Multi-Volt Zone Sentry Zone Valve** is for use in heating or cooling applications and accepts input voltages between 120 and 277VAC 50/60HZ. It is designed for use in hydronic HVAC systems, primarily in fan coils and air handlers, or other HVAC systems where a quality line voltage zone valve is required.

The newest addition to Taco's zone valve line of products is the **QuickTop Zone Valve**. This is Taco's answer to an affordable replacement for normally-closed, synchronous motor zone valves. It can be used in a wide variety of heating and cooling applications such as baseboard, fan coils, radiators, convectors, air handlers, heat pumps and radiant applications.

The Taco Distribution Center is proud to stock the complete line of Taco zone valves. Check out availability over at [tacodistribution.com](http://tacodistribution.com) or contact [Kim](#) or [Shannon](#) for further assistance.

## 0034e & 0034ePlus ECM High-Efficiency Circulators

In Stock!



Can be used in place of these Taco models:  
2400-10 thru 2400-40 ~ 110 thru 113 ~ 009 thru 0014 ~ VR3452

## Getting to Know You.... Laurie Santee, Branch Administrator



Laurie is the newest member of the J.M. O'Connor family and is now filling our Branch Administrator role. In addition to handling incoming calls, Laurie will be managing all accounts payable and receivable duties along with many other tasks critical to the function of the branch. She and her husband, Dan, are parents to 3 beautiful kids, Jacob (14), Miriana (10) and Ben (5).

- If you could live anywhere, where would it be? *Barcelona, Spain*
- What would you sing at Karaoke night? *I wouldn't, I would cheer on my friends*
- Do you love or hate rollercoasters? *Loved them when I was younger, now not so much.*
- Are you an introvert or an extrovert? *Extroverted introvert*
- What was your first job? *Subway Sandwich Shop in high school*
- How do you define success? *Doing what you love, making enough money to be happy, but having time to really enjoy life.*
- People would be surprised if they knew: *I started out my adult life as an Elementary school teacher.*
- What do you like to do on your days off? *Go hiking, read a book in my hammock, garden*
- What is on your bucket list? *Travel across Europe, visit places our ancestors came from (my husband – Serbia, me – Germany)*
- What is the first concert you attended? *No Doubt – at Sandstone Amphitheater*
- Where is your hometown? *Born in Olathe, Kansas, but really feel like I grew up in Washington State – Whidbey Island (on the Naval Air Base)*
- Where would you like to go on a dream vacation? *Castle tour in Spain*
- You're happiest when? *All the chores are done and I have time to do something fun with my family without guilt.*
- Do you have a favorite quote? *"The best things in life happen just outside your comfort zone."*
- What are your hobbies? *Reading, Miniature painting, Holiday crafting*



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