Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide has selected The Brain® Digital Re-Circulating Valve from Armstrong International as its corporate standard domestic hot water temperature control device for all Starwood hotels and resorts. The Brain® is specifically designed to be the primary water temperature controller in a continuously pumped recirculating hot water system. The Brain® will control within a +/-2°F (1°C) accuracy and provide flow capacities from 0-188 gpm (0-712 lpm). The Starwood Hotel and Resorts Worldwide Design Standard pertains to New Construction and Engineered Renovation projects for the Starwood hotels and resorts.

Digital Re-Circulating Valve (DRV): Provide DRVs for the following hot water system applications; systems with a maximum simultaneous demand (MSD) less than or equal to 3.8 l/sec (60 gpm), provide one DRV40R-BS-DS, systems up to 7.2 l/sec (115 gpm), provide either two DRV40R-BS-DS in parallel or one DRV80R-BS-DS, systems up to 11 l/sec (175 gpm), provide one DRV40R-BS-DS and one DRV80R-BS-DS in parallel, and systems up to 14.5 l/sec (230 gpm), provide two DRV80R-BS-DS in parallel.


Valves shall be installed exactly as indicated in the following installation schematics:

- Plan A on page 4 indicates a single valve installation schematic.
- Plan B on page 4 indicates a two valve installation schematic.

Designer and installer may also consider a fully pre-piped “Digital Mixing Center” (DMC).
THE BRAIN®:

- +/- 2°F water temperature control at points of use 25' downstream during demand
- +/- 2°F water temperature control at the DRV during zeo system demand “idling” periods
- 2°F minimum valve inlet to outlet temperature requirement (system recirculation temperature loss)
- Automatic shutoff of hot water flow in the event of a power failure
- Programmable set point range of 81-158°F (27-70°C)
- Programmable thermal disinfection mode
- Programmable 1st level hi/lo temp alarm display
- Programmable temperature error level for safety shutdown
- ASSE

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For Drawings, Piping Schematics, and Revit Compatible Files, please visit: armstronginternational.com/brain
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The sizing criteria as stated in Starwood Hotels and Resorts Design Standards for all brands requires Digital Re-Circulating Valve (DRV); Provide DRVs for the following hot water system applications; systems with a maximum simultaneous demand (MSD) less than or equal to 3.8l/sec (60 gpm), provide one DRV40R-BS-DS, systems up to 7.2 l/sec (115 gpm), provide either two DRV40R-BS-DS in parallel or one DRV80R-BS-DS, systems up to 11 l/sec (175 gpm), provide one DRV40R-BS-DS and one DRV80R-BS-DS in parallel, and systems up to 14.5 l/sec (230 gpm), provide two DRV80R-BS-DS in parallel. Designer and installer may also consider a fully pre-piped “Digital Mixing Center” (DMC).

Please feel free to advise all parties involved in hot water system design and installation for all Starwood projects that Starwood Hotels and Resorts Design Standard is now in effect and should be strictly adhered to.

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Sincerely,  

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Plan A - One Valve Installation Schematic

Plan B - Two Valve Installation Schematic

**Legend:**
- Recirculation Pump
- Check Valve
- Strainer
- Thermostat
- Isolation Valve
- Balance Valve
- N.O. - Normally Open
- N.C. - Normally Closed
- WAFER STYLE SPRING CHECK VALVE
- BrainScan Remote Access Interface

**Note:** Oriented for piping schematic detail only. Must be installed in horizontal plane.