## Hello Payam,

NSF P374 is not an equivalent test to ASTM C-518 for testing R-value. NSF P374 is not a protocol to determine the R-value. I hope that this answers your question. If you need additional information, please contact me directly. Also, if you are willing to provide the contact information for the underground plastic air duct manufacturer I would be interested in following up with them as well.

Thank you, Jessica

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## Hello Mrs. Evans,

Hope you are doing well. Thank you for speaking with me last Friday regarding the NSF protocol P374, "Air Duct Thermal Efficiency Performance". A question which I have, is NSF P374 protocol an equivalent test to ASTM C-518, "Steady-State Thermal Transmission Properties by Means of the Heat Flow Meter Apparatus" to test the Thermal Resistance (R-Value) of a duct product? An underground plastic air duct manufacturer has been claiming a R-Value of a R-10 here in California and has informed us that by using the NSF P374 protocol they get the high R-Value for their product.

Thank you for your time.

Regards, Payam

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