Near-Boiler Piping Can Make Or Break A Multiple Boiler Installation

With multiple boilers, near-boiler piping can significantly effect system operating efficiency, installation cost and maintenance. Consider the disadvantages of three typical multiple boiler piping systems.

Series Piping

- Extremely inefficient -- water flows through nonoperating boilers resulting in high thermal and standby losses.
- Entire system can shut down if one component fails.



Parallel Piping

- **Inefficient** -- some water flows through nonoperating boilers resulting in high thermal and standby losses.
- Difficult to provide *automatic* isolation of nonoperating boilers.
- Entire system can shut down if one component fails.

Primary-Secondary Piping

- More efficient -- but return water temperature is not the same to all boilers. Last boiler is less efficient than the first.
- Time-consuming and costly to install--requires two connections from each boiler to the main, resulting in extensive fitting and thread cutting of large-diameter pipe.

Weil-McLain's Easy-Fit[®] piping system overcomes all of these disadvantages. It provides optimum efficiency and it's easier to install and service.





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The Weil-McLain Easy-Fit® Primary-Secondary Piping System



OPERATION - The primary piping circuit runs continuously to supply heat to the radiation; each boiler has its own secondary circuit to add incremental amounts of heat to the primary circuit as required.

ADVANTAGES:

RELIABILITY

• System operates even if one boiler fails.

MAXIMUM OPERATING EFFICIENCY

- Boilers are sequenced so only those required to meet the heating load are fired.
- Water flows *only* through operating boilers minimizing thermal and standby losses.
- System assures *equal* return water temperature to each boiler.
- Non-operating boilers are automatically isolated from the system.
- Boilers available up to 87% operating efficiency.

EASY INSTALLATION

- Small packaged boilers are easier to work with.
- Easy-Fit manifolds simplify supply and return piping only two connections required to the primary loop.

- Small diameter pipe or copper tubing used to connect boilers to manifolds.
- Flexibility in locating boilers less headroom needed.

EASY SERVICE

- Uses standard, readily available residential boiler parts.
- With manual isolation valves, the system does not have to be shut down to service one boiler.

OTHER ADVANTAGES:

- New, easy-to-understand, simple-to-connect Weil-McLain control systems assure proper boiler sequencing and maximize the benefits of multiple systems.
- Easy to add additional boilers to the system if heating requirements increase.
- Ideal for penthouse installation less weight than one large boiler.
- Ideal for zoning, service water applications, heat pump installations, fan coil units or radiant panel systems.



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