

Global LEAP AWARDS

LESSONS LEARNED FROM FIELD TESTING OF OFF-GRID REFRIGERATORS

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GLOBAL LEAP + RBF PROGRAM OVERVIEW

1. Identify Best-In-Class Off- GLOBAL LEAP **Grid Appliance Products**



- Identify and promote leaders in early-stage product markets & encourage new entrants
- Develop technical foundation for long-term market growth (e.g., test methods)

2. Bring Those Products To Market At Scale



- Create clearer path to market for **Global I FAP Awards Winners** and Finalists
- Reduce financial risks associated with large-scale appliance procurement



Efficiency maximizes energy service delivery



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Off-Grid Refrigerator Field Testing



- Instantaneous power consumption
- Accumulated energy consumption
- Daily power available to the product from the solar home system/battery
- 2. Qualitative Feedback via bi-weekly in-person surveys



Inconsistent product performance risks exploitation of vulnerable consumers



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Inconsistent product performance compromises service delivery

How many hours do you expect the fridge/freezer to operate per week?



How many hours of fridge/freezer downtime can you tolerate per week?





Ease of Installation, Use, and Serviceability



- Low levels of comfort with appliance technology
- Low English literacy levels
- Live in remote areas



Design Characteristics

- Plug-and-play
- Easy-to-follow instructions
- Built in appliance protective mechanisms



How do refrigerators impact quality of life?

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Average daily revenue from drinks increased from \$12 per day to \$29 per day, while average total daily income increased from \$29 to \$70.



Average Daily Revenue and Income from Drink Sales



Of entrepreneurs reported expending into a new business line, with fruit juice being the most common new product sold Customers are coming in great numbers, and we make sales. The fridges have really brought change.

Shabani Kalire Mbale, Uganda

Getting this fridge has helped because if a child asks me to buy them a book, I can take money from what the fridge has earned us. The money is there, and I use it.

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