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February 23, 2026 Company bio – Lennox (NYSE: [LII](#)) is a leader in energy-efficient climate-control solutions. We are committed to sustainability and creating comfortable, healthier environments for residential and commercial customers. Our innovative portfolio includes cooling, heating, indoor air quality, and refrigeration systems, along with a comprehensive range of HVAC parts, supplies, and services that support the full lifecycle of customer needs. Additional information is available at www.lennox.com.

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Recent Press Releases:

- SLP99VK Gas Furnace - <https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/lennox-launches-gas-furnace-featuring-integrated-refrigerant-detection-system-302655515.html>
- L40 Smart Thermostat – <https://investor.lennox.com/news-releases/news-release-details/lennox-l40-smart-thermostat-named-smart-thermostat-year-iot>
- Water Heaters - <https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/lennox-and-ariston-group-announce-joint-venture-to-launch-water-heaters-in-north-america-302466278.html>

Recent Product Awards –

- 2026: [L40 Smart Thermostat \(IoT Breakthrough Awards\)](#)
- 2025: [EL297V Gas Furnace - Good Design Award Winner](#)

Best of IBS Finalists Product Photos – *Product specification sheet available upon request*

Best Energy Efficient Product Finalist - SLP99VK Gas Furnace

- The Lennox SLP99VK gas furnace represents the absolute peak of residential heating performance - delivering unmatched energy efficiency, advanced technology, and industry-leading comfort. With an extraordinary 99% AFUE, it is the most efficient gas furnace on the market, converting nearly every ounce of fuel into usable heat while dramatically reducing energy waste and utility costs. At the heart of the SLP99VK is a fully modulating gas valve that precisely adjusts heat output in minor stages, ensuring the furnace provides only the amount of heat needed to maintain a perfectly even indoor temperature. This innovation eliminates temperature swings and enhances both comfort and savings. Engineered for today's homes and tomorrow's standards, the SLP99VK introduces a refrigerant detection system integrated into the control board, a convenient safety feature added in response to the 2025 refrigerant transition. This built-in control enhances homeowner safety, simplifies installation, and saves valuable time for contractors during installation and service. Beyond efficiency and innovation, the SLP99VK is also the quietest furnace on the market, operating at near-silent levels to deliver warmth without disruption. Combined with its precision engineering and superior reliability, this furnace sets a new benchmark for comfort and performance. Homeowners can take pride in choosing a product that not only maximizes comfort and safety but also minimizes its environmental impact. The SLP99VK isn't just a furnace, it's the ultimate choice in comfort systems.
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Best Home Technology Product Finalist – E40 Smart Thermostat

- The Elite Series E40 thermostat redefines performance, connectivity, and ease of use, delivering a premium experience without the premium price. Built on Lennox’s trusted 4th-generation platform, the E40 combines universal system compatibility with a sleek 5-inch intuitive touchscreen, offering homeowners a thermostat that is powerful yet refreshingly simple. Designed for versatility, the E40 works seamlessly with 3Heat/2Cool conventional systems and 4Heat/2Cool heat pump applications. The E40 offers expanded smart accessory support including Lennox Smart Room Sensors and Smart Air Quality Monitors, while providing humidity sensing, full humidity control, and ERV/HRV management for superior comfort. Integration with leading smart home ecosystems—including Matter, Alexa, Google Home, Control4, and IFTTT, ensures unmatched flexibility. The E40 also delivers exceptional energy performance. ENERGY STAR® certification guarantees efficiency, while Demand Response OpenADR 2.0 compatibility positions it as a forward-thinking solution for reducing energy use during peak demand periods. With its modern design, vibrant touchscreen, and advanced features, the Lennox E40 offers universal compatibility, smart-home integration, and superior efficiency—all at an accessible price. It’s the perfect choice for homeowners seeking innovation, reliability, and value in one elegant package.
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Lennox Leadership Biographies –
Sarah Martin

Executive Vice President / President, Lennox Home Comfort Solutions

Sarah joined Lennox in 2025 as the Executive Vice President and President of Home Comfort Solutions. She brings more than 25 years of global leadership experience in manufacturing and technology, including 13 years at Honeywell International. She previously held leadership roles as President of Honeywell Sensing & Safety Technologies and Honeywell Advanced Sensing Technologies, where she led large, global businesses focused on growth, operational performance, and channel strategy. Prior to Honeywell, Sarah held commercial and operational leadership roles at CTS Corporation, a global electronics manufacturing services provider. Sarah holds an MBA from Edinburgh Business School at Heriot-Watt University and a Master of Arts in Modern Languages and Business from Heriot-Watt University.

Lanessa Bannister

Vice President / General Manager, Lennox Residential

Lanessa is Vice President and General Manager of Lennox Residential, bringing more than 20 years of leadership experience and deep industry expertise. She joined Lennox in 2014 and has held a variety of leadership roles across the organization, including Commercial District Manager, Commercial Regional Sales Director, Commercial National Accounts Director, Vice President of Lennox Stores, Vice President of Residential Sales, and most recently Vice President of Lennox Residential Stores and Sales. Prior to joining Lennox, Bannister held senior leadership positions at Carrier Enterprise, including President and General Manager, with responsibility spanning residential, commercial, and aftermarket sales businesses. Lanessa holds a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Mississippi State University and a master’s degree in management from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Patty Arellano Tolotta

VP, Marketing & Customer Experience, Lennox Residential

Patty joined Lennox from Dallas College where she was the Chief Marketing Officer since 2018. During her tenure at Dallas College, she led the launch of the Dallas College brand, consolidating seven institutions under a single brand umbrella while overseeing their advertising, digital marketing, social media, communications, and online activities. Prior to Dallas College, Patty spent almost two decades at Texas Instruments serving in a variety of roles of increasing responsibility, including serving as Global Director of Digital Marketing generating demand for TI's Embedded Processing division. Patty earned her Bachelor of Arts in Marketing and Journalism from the University of North Texas (UNT) and an MBA from Oklahoma State University.

Tim Brizendine

VP, Product Management, Lennox Home Comfort Solutions

Tim Brizendine joined Lennox in 2006 and has served in roles of increasing responsibility in both engineering and product management. Tim was promoted to Vice President of Product Management in 2024 where he is responsible for Lennox and Allied branded products. Prior to Lennox, Tim started in the HVAC industry in engineering and manufacturing roles for commercial HVAC equipment as well as residential HVAC service and installation. He holds a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Texas A&M University.

Robert Meehan

VP, National Accounts & Business Development, Lennox Residential

Robert Meehan is Vice President of National Accounts and Business Development at Lennox International, where he leads strategic customer relationships and growth initiatives across the U.S. He brings more than 25 years of experience in sales leadership, customer service, and business development within the HVAC industry. Meehan joined Lennox in 2002 and has held a variety of leadership roles, including Director of Business Development and Strategic Accounts, Vice President of Sales and Customer Service, Region Director, and District Manager. He holds an MBA from Dowling College and a Bachelor of Arts from Ithaca College.

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- Heating & Packaged Products - Lee Butler
- Controls & IAQ - Asad Tahir, Amy Westfall
- Water Heaters - Joe Basher, Tim Brezendine