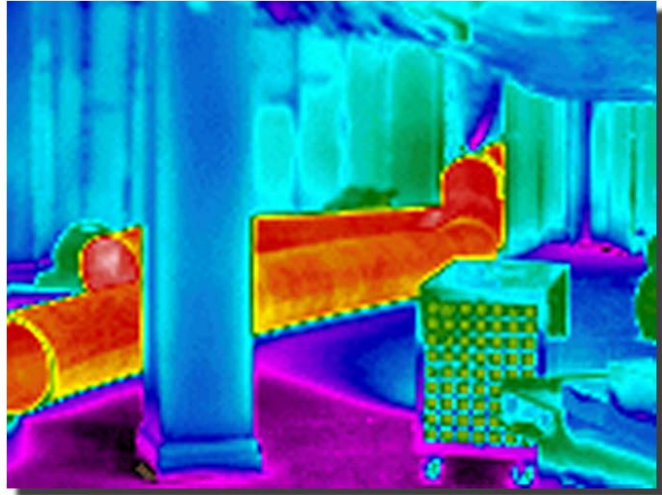


## Disaster Recovery

The many hurricanes of 2005, most notably Katrina, have highlighted the need throughout the industry for proper and timely disaster recovery. For most people, coming back from a catastrophe conjures images of transporting debris, patching roofs and reconstructing walls. But this is only the beginning.



Once the initial physical damage has been taken care of, the lurking problem of mold and mildew contamination still remains in any structure that has experienced flooding or significant water damage.

There are many ways to tackle this problem, but ThermaPureHeat has recently introduced a new technique into the marketplace to help property owners after disaster strikes. Developed by E-Therm, an environmental remediation company based in Ventura, California, the ThermaPureHeat process uses superheated ... air to disinfect, decontaminate and dry out buildings. Similar to the concept of using heat to pasteurize milk or kill bacteria in wine, ThermaPureHeat has proven effective in destroying active mold spores, bacteria, viruses, insects, and other heat sensitive organisms.

Upon arriving onsite, ThermaPureHeat technicians use propane-powered portable heaters and air blowers to inject superheated air into affected areas, thus elevating the room temperature – or even the temperature of an entire facility – upwards of 160 degrees Fahrenheit for several hours. The result is a mold remediation technique that dries out wet buildings much faster than other methods.

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