

NORTEK, INC.  
CALCULATION OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES  
(AMOUNTS IN MILLION)

EXHIBIT 12.1

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,				
	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
Earnings (Loss)					
Earnings (Loss) from continuing operations	\$ 59.0	\$ 32.7	\$ 38.4	\$ 48.9	\$ 36.0
Income Tax Provision (Benefit)	<u>39.0</u>	<u>30.3</u>	<u>31.9</u>	<u>40.1</u>	<u>27.9</u>
Earnings (Loss)	<u>\$ 98.0</u>	<u>\$ 63.0</u>	<u>\$ 70.3</u>	<u>\$ 89.0</u>	<u>\$ 63.9</u>
Fixed Charges:					
Interest Expense including amortization of debt expense and discount	\$ 96.6	\$101.9	\$ 97.4	\$ 96.5	\$ 86.3
Interest portion of rental expense	<u>6.6</u>	<u>6.1</u>	<u>5.8</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>2.8</u>
Fixed Charges	<u>\$103.2</u>	<u>\$108.0</u>	<u>\$103.2</u>	<u>\$100.7</u>	<u>\$ 89.1</u>
Earnings available for fixed charges	\$201.2	\$171.0	\$173.5	\$189.7	\$153.0
Ratio of earning to fixed charges	1.9	1.6	1.7	1.9	1.7