

**37.12** 2000cfm of outside air at 95°F dry bulb and 78°F wet bulb is cooled to 68°F and 60% relative humidity. What quantity of latent heat is removed?

- A. 60,000  $\frac{Btu}{hr}$
- B. 70,000  $\frac{Btu}{hr}$
- C. 80,000  $\frac{Btu}{hr}$
- D. 90,000  $\frac{Btu}{hr}$

Let state 1 be the entering air conditions and state 2 be the leaving air conditions. Use the **Psychrometric Chart** to find the humidity ratio for both states.

$$T_{1,db} = 95^\circ F$$

$$T_{1,wb} = 78^\circ F$$

$$\omega_1 = 0.0169 \frac{lb_{h_2o}}{lb_{da}}$$

$$T_2 = 68^\circ F$$

$$\phi_2 = 60\%$$

$$\omega_2 = 0.0088 \frac{lb_{h_2o}}{lb_{da}}$$

Even though this problem is about calculating the latent heat removed from the air, it is appropriate to use the **Latent Heat Gain** rule of thumb formula provided the smaller humidity ratio is subtracted from the larger humidity ratio such that that  $\Delta\omega$  has a positive value. As long as the correct units are used for all inputs,  $q_l$  will be specified in the desired units,  $\frac{Btu}{hr}$ .

$$q_l = 4840Q_s\Delta\omega = 4840(2000)(0.0169 - 0.0088) = 78,408 \frac{Btu}{hr}$$

**Answer C**