

Freon Cart Update

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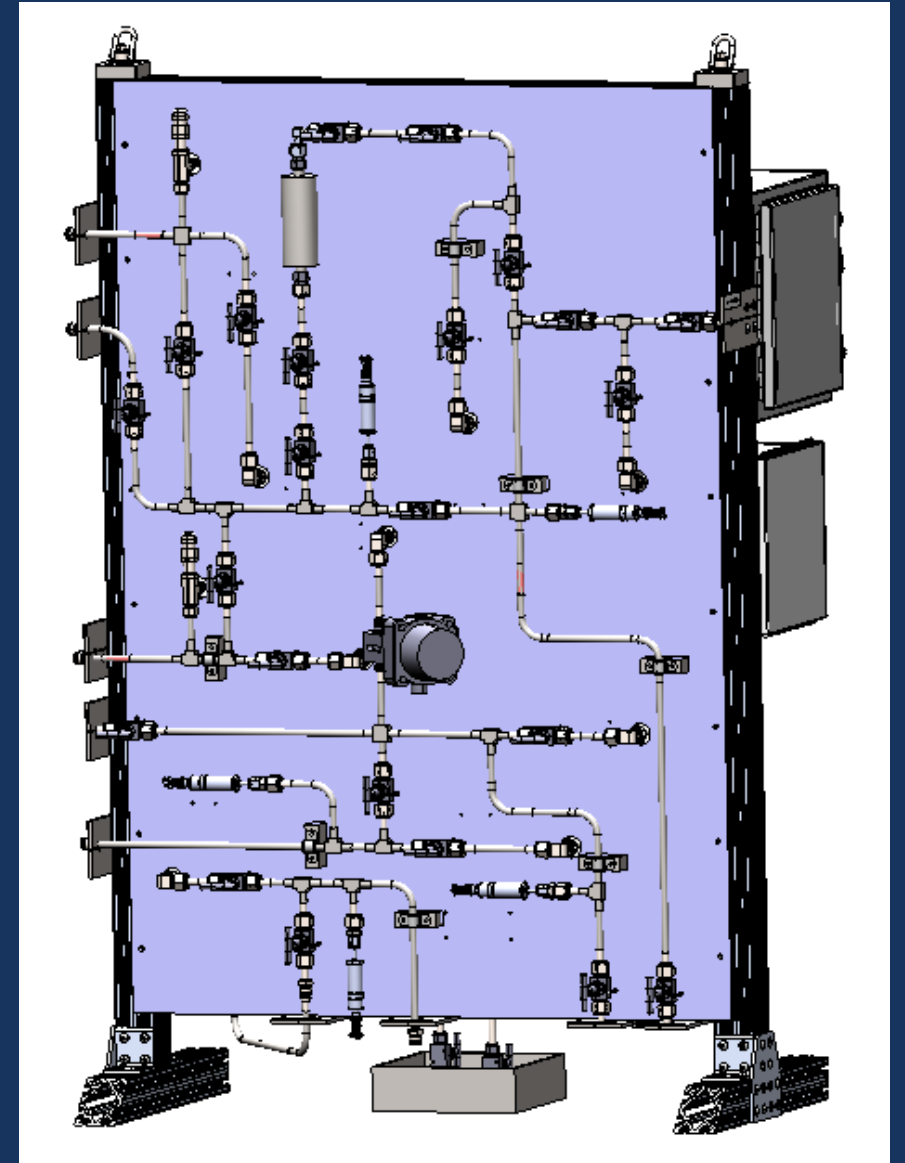
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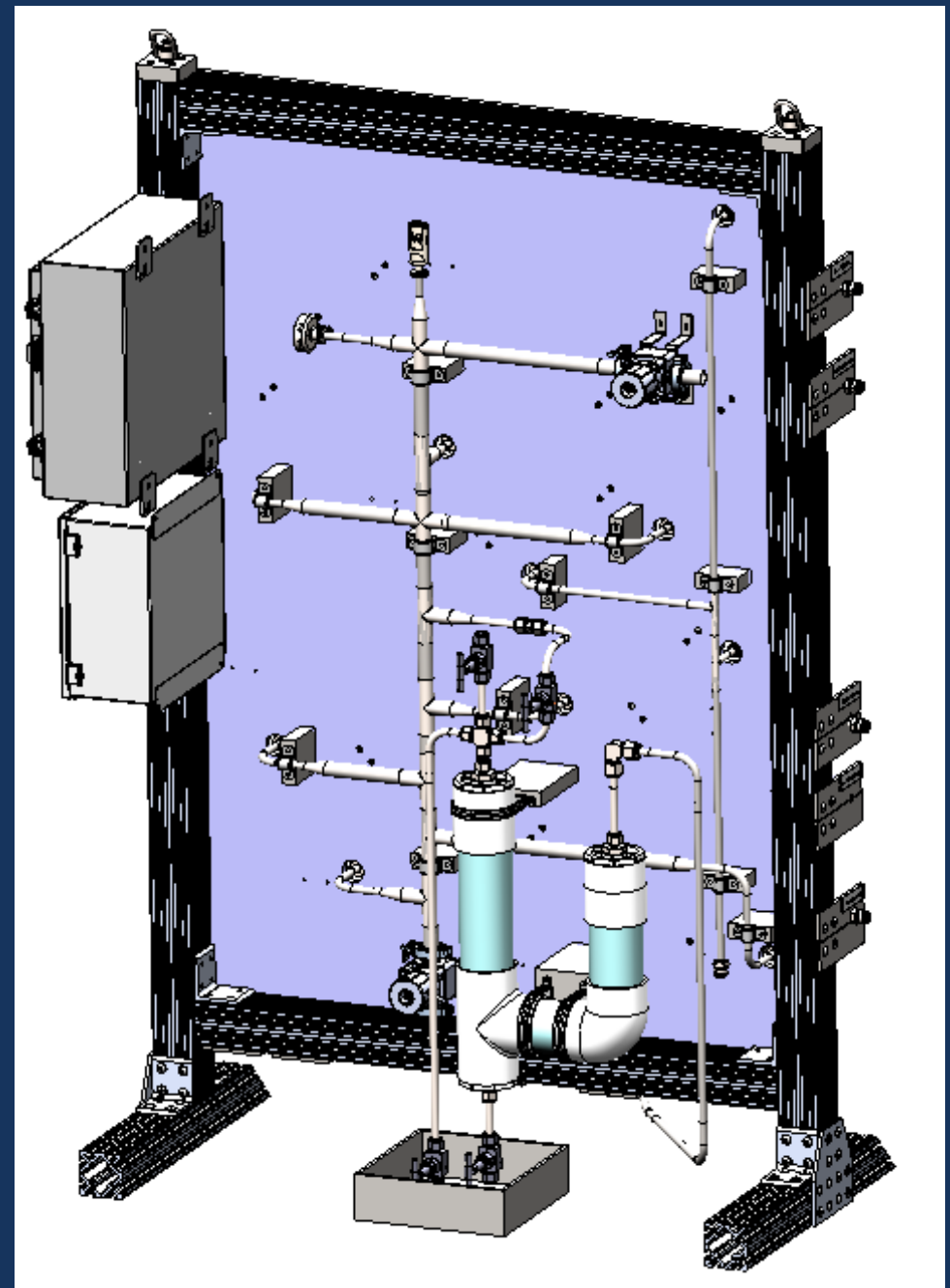
Recap/Intro

- Control PICO-500 working fluid (C3F8)
 - Fill
 - Drain
 - Sampling
 - Recirculation
 - Recovery
 - IV PSV
 - Bubbler
 - Vacuum
- C3F8 → Active Fluid (Octafluoropropane / R218)
- Temperature Ranges
 - 10°C to 20°C
 - -25°C to 30°C
- Pressures Range
 - 25 psia to 200 psia



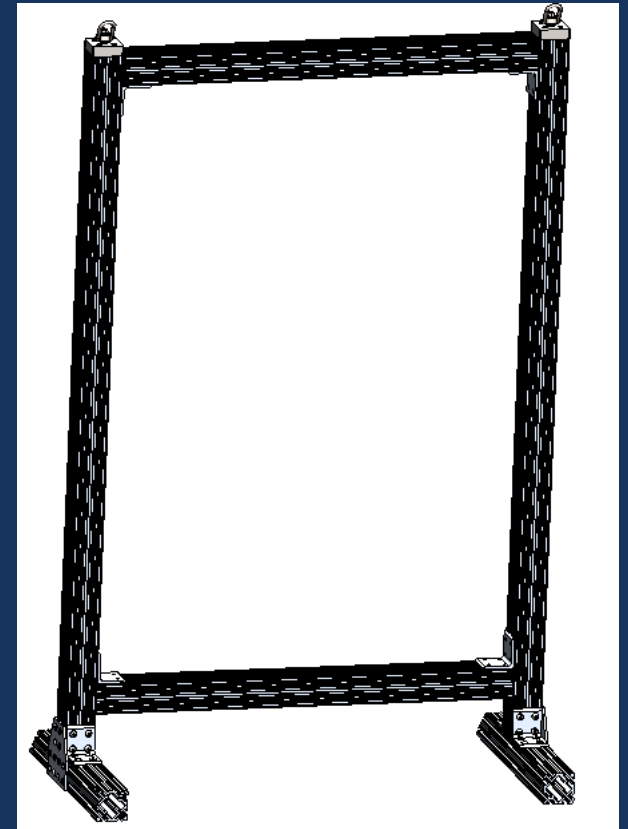
Since Last Meeting

- 3D Design is essentially final
 - Cylinder & Line heaters TBD
- Bubbler System designed and components ordered
- Purifier shell testing complete



Currently

- 8020 framing ordered
- Received quote for many off the shelf components
 - Swagelok
 - Bellows sealed valves
 - Welded tube fittings
 - VCR fittings
 - PSVs
 - Pneumatic valve
- Bubbler components ordered
- Started to create drawing package
 - Frame
 - Main plate
 - Assembly
- Contacted possible fabricators – Certified by TSSA and can provide sanitary orbital welding
 - Pure Ingenuity
 - Highland
 - CROM
 - Swagelok

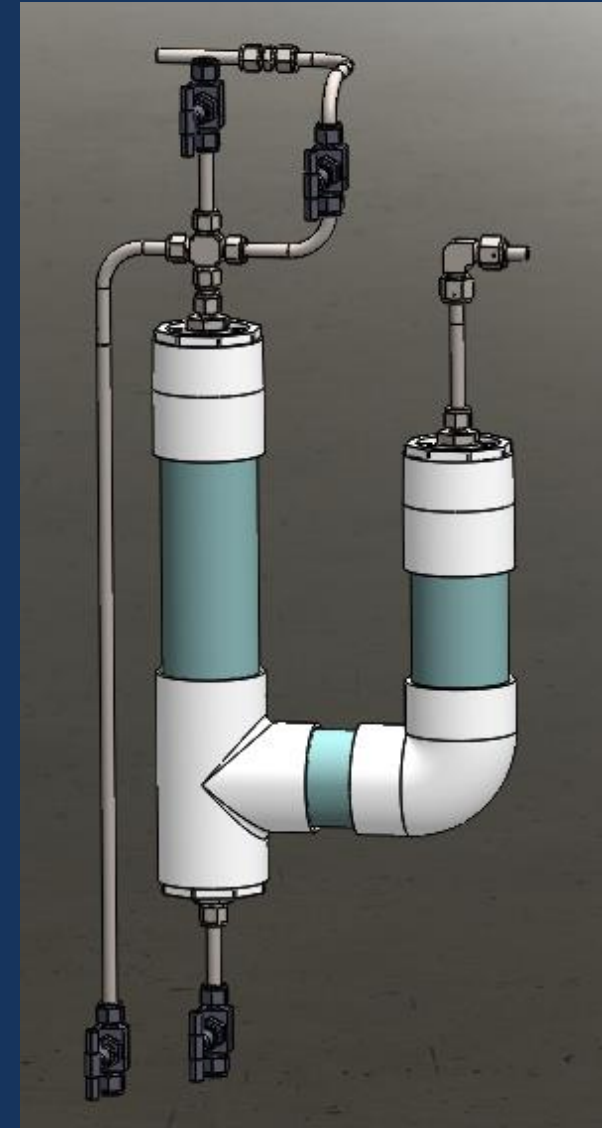
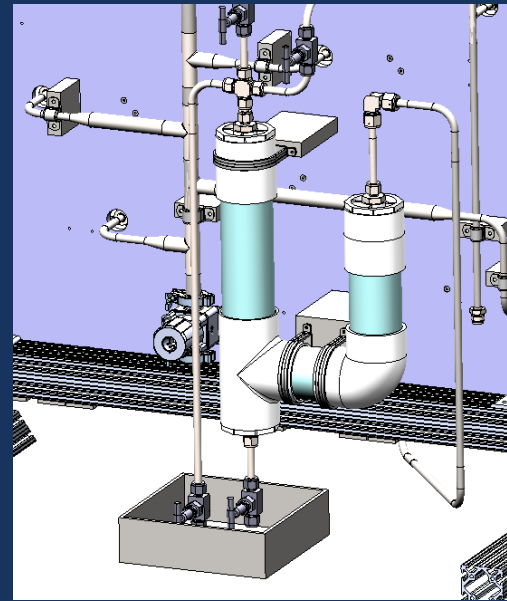


Next Steps

- Bubbler to be built and tested
- Order all off the shelf components
 - Swagelok
 - McMaster Carr
 - IdealVac
 - Lesker
- Prepare and submit TSSA registration and fabrication RFQ

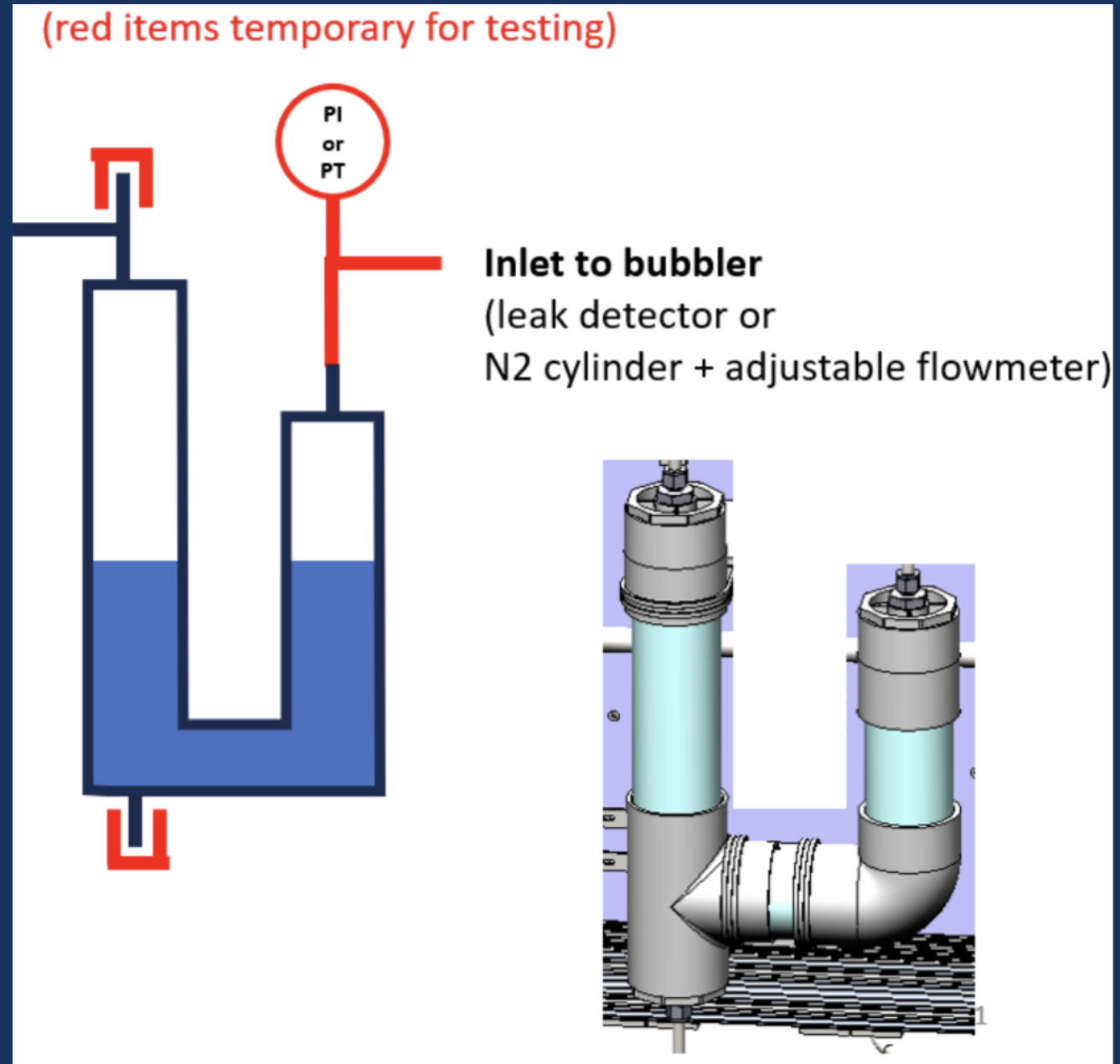
Bubbler System

- Functions
 - Prevent moist lab air from reaching the PSV on the cold plate and freezing
 - Provide a buffer for lab pressure swings
 - Exhaust freon from PSV if required
- Filled with Mineral Oil, attached to vacuum manifold
- Located on the back of the freon cart
- Next step is to build and test it at queens



Bubbler Testing

- Leak testing
 - Pump down and sniff with helium
- Water/N₂ testing
 - Fill bubbler with water
 - Flow N₂ through at minimum 150 SLPM (comparable to C3F₈ at 60 SLPM design flow rate)
- Goals
 - Monitor bubbler upstream pressure
 - Monitor discharge side of bubbler for splashing



TSSA Submissions

- Variance submission covering Dytran + Pall purifier
 - Include burst test report and datasheets
 - SNOLAB needs to sign off on application (in progress)
- Category H registration covering freon cart all the way up to connection to PV

RFQ for Freon Cart

- Scope

- Prepare engineering documentation for the freon system, including applicable B31.3 calculations
- Submit package to TSSA for Category H registration covering
 - High pressure sections of freon panel (i.e. vacuum segments, IV PSV, and bubbler are excluded)
 - High pressure field tubing runs between freon panel and PV
 - High pressure freon feedthroughs on VJ
 - Cold plate
- Supply parts not explicitly provided by PICO
- Manufacture, by orbital weld, assemble, and test the freon panel, cold plate, and connecting tubing spool pieces according to applicable TSSA/B31.3 requirements

RFQ contd

- Exclusions
 - PICO will supply fittings, instruments, and 80/20 frame to fabricator
 - Bubbler will be made in house and does not need to go to fabricator
- Testing
 - Helium leak acceptance test by PICO
 - Hydrotest per B31.3 by fabricator
 - Purifier cannot be installed for hydrotest

RFQ contd

- PICO submitted documentation will include
 - P&ID excerpt of registered sections
 - Instrumentation list with CRNs for each component (will list CRN TBD for Dytran + purifier)
 - Want to keep some flexibility for small changes - Include statement in RFP and drawings: may have more or less of the same components depending on PICO requirement, but will remain under the maximum size limitations of the design per Cat H fitting limits (max 42 L)
 - G/A drawings
 - 80/20 frame
 - Freon panel assembly
 - Cold plate assembly
 - VJ feedthroughs (freon in, out, IV PSV discharge)
 - Details of field spool pieces (12' sections, flex hoses)
 - CAD models
 - Freon panel assembly
 - Cold plate assembly
 - VJ feedthroughs (freon in, out, IV PSV discharge)

Timeline

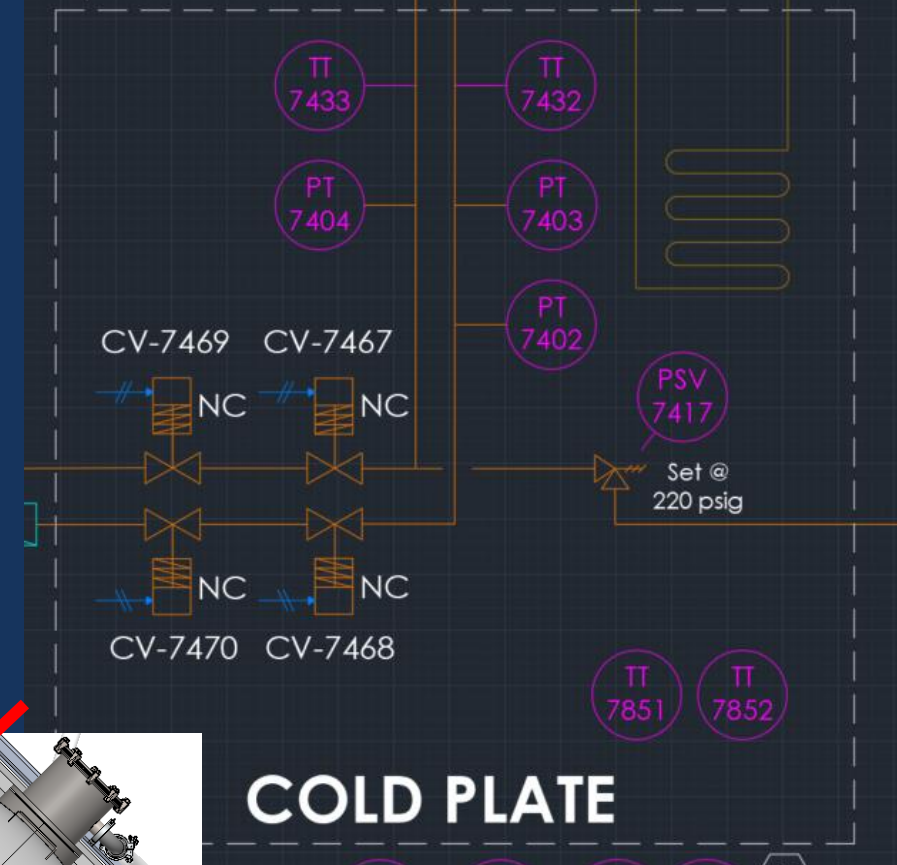
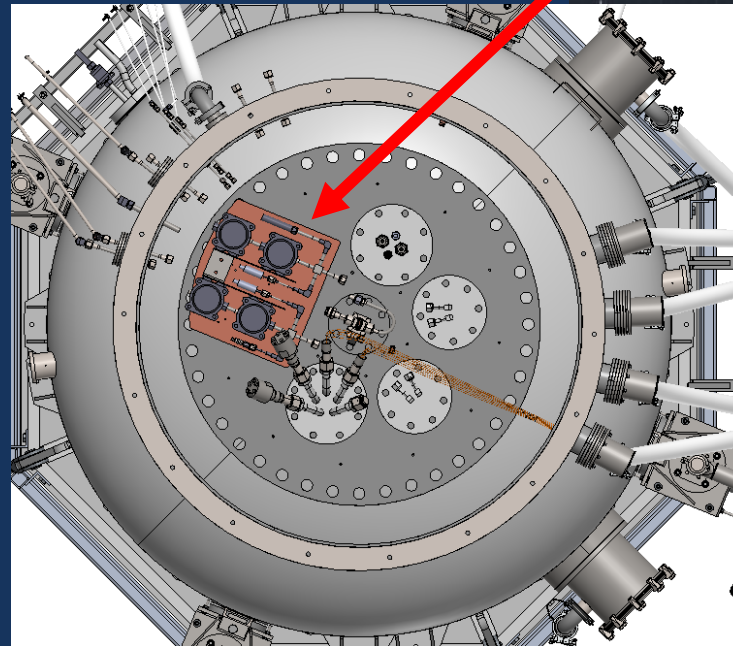
- August
 - Issue draft RFQ for freon panel fabrication
 - Review by Mackenzie
- September
 - Order components (Swagelok, PTs, regulators, PSVs, vacuum fittings)
 - Build 80/20 frame
 - Submit variance application for Dytran + Pall Purifier
 - Send RFQ for freon panel fabrication (Highland, CROM, Pure Ingenuity, Swagelok)
- October
 - Award PO to fabricator for freon panel
 - Submit TSSA application package for freon panel Category H registration
- January
 - Receive TSSA CRN for freon panel
 - Receive TSSA variance approval
 - Begin panel fabrication
- March
 - Pressure test freon panel
 - Complete helium leak acceptance test
- April
 - Ship panel to SNOLAB

Hazards

- Re-capturing procedure
- Regulations for use of Freon
 - C3F8 → Reg. 463/10 → Ozone depleting substance
 - Any discharges must be reported to SNOlab, discharges of over 100kg to be reported to MOE
 - Reference Freon Accidental Release document
 - Leak checks
 - Record keeping

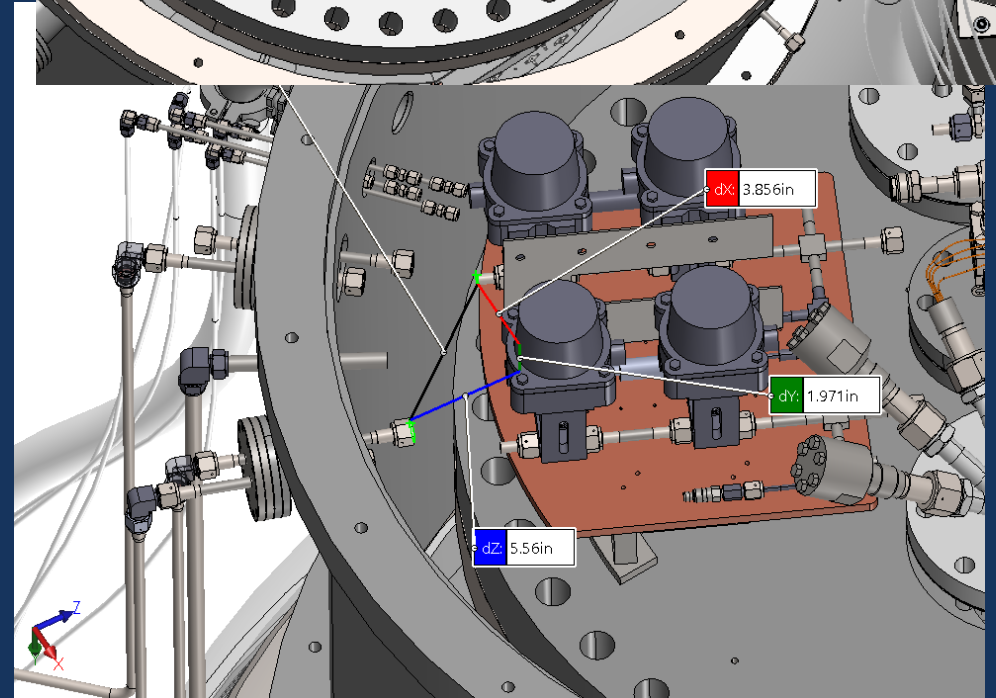
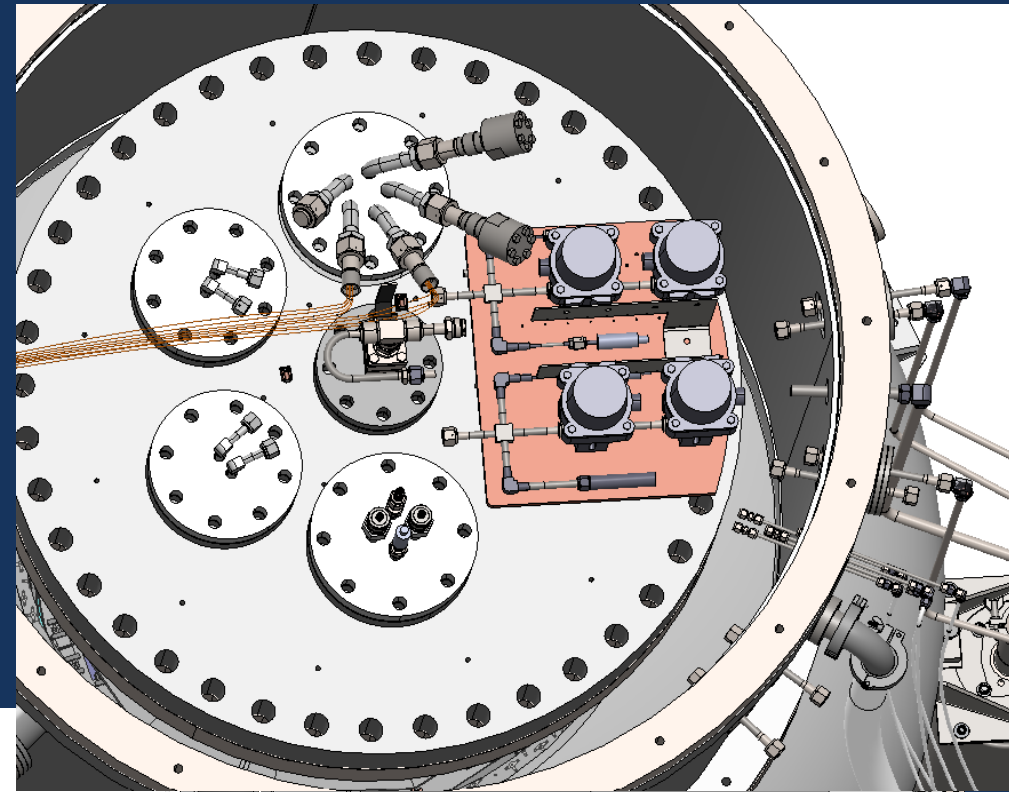
Cold Plate

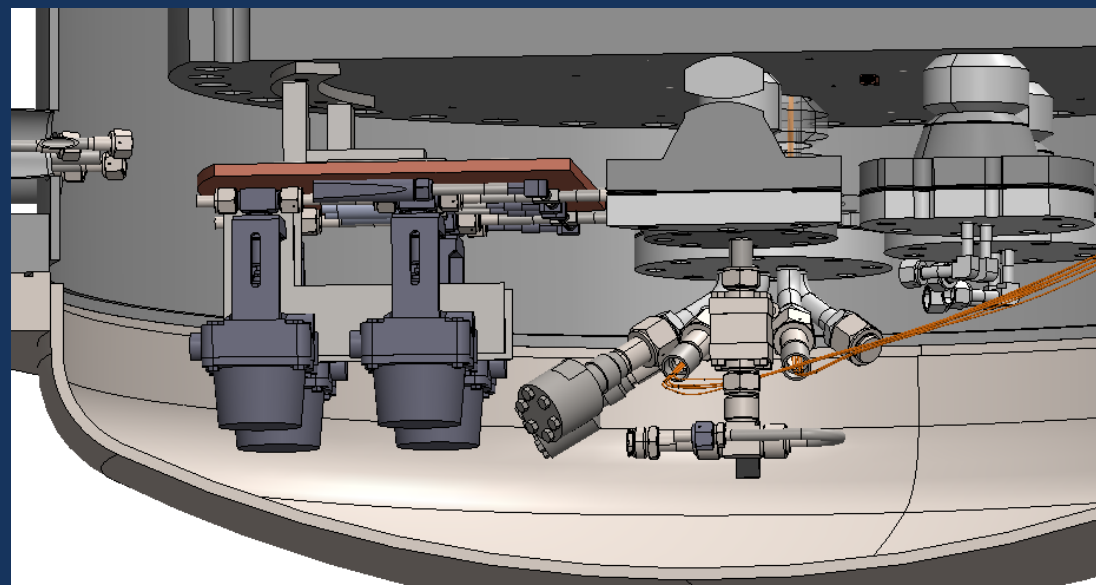
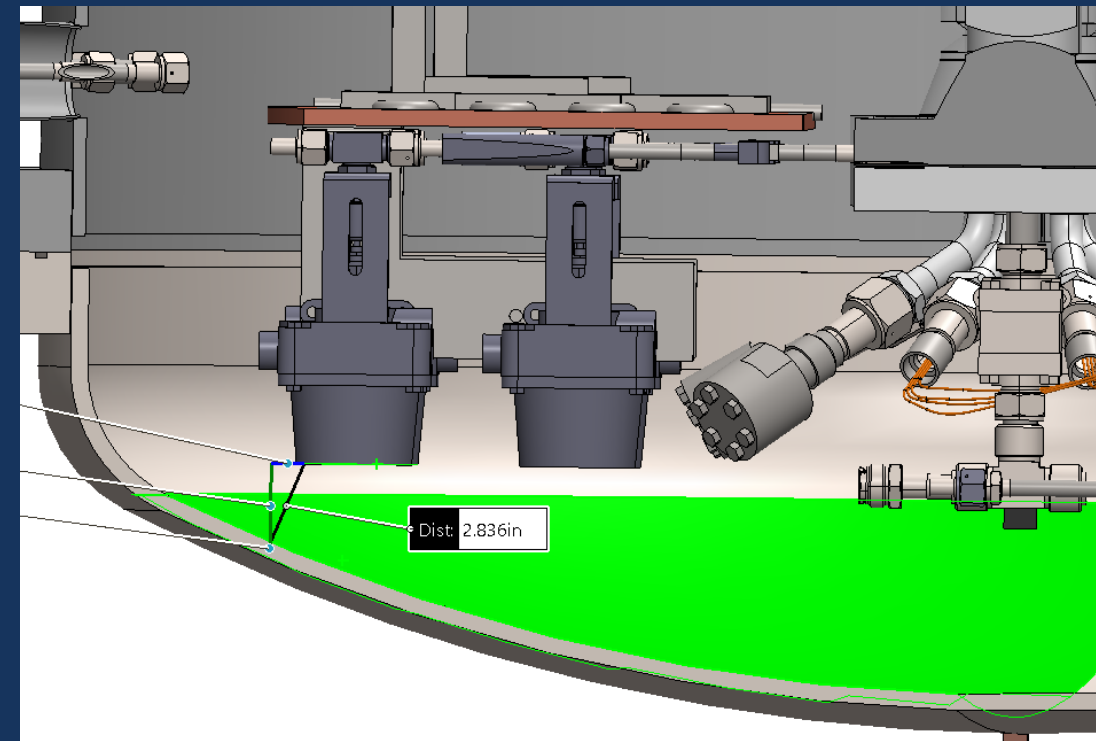
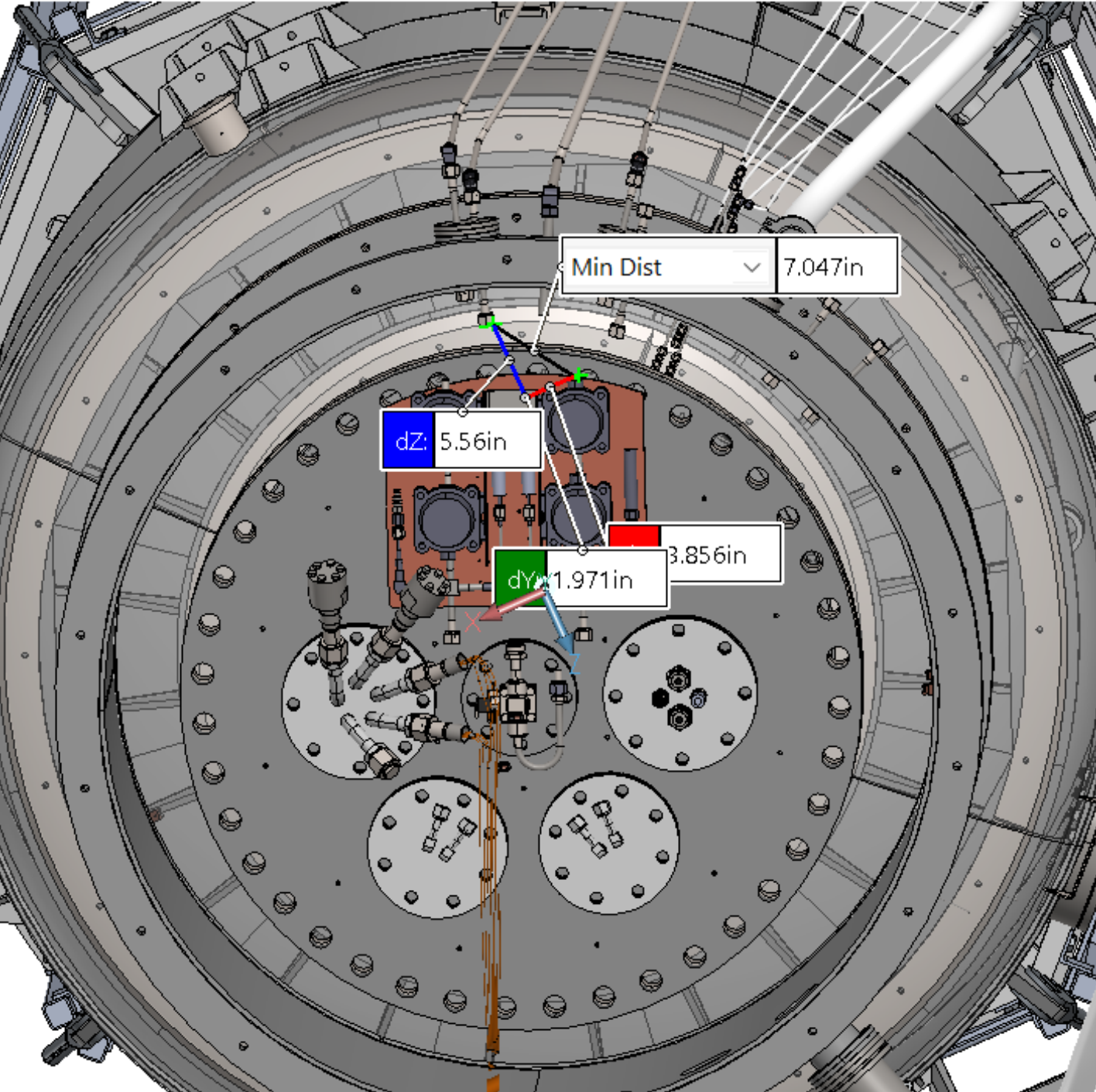
- PSV 7417
 - Emergency pressure relief for Freon
 - Parker CYF10MM200 – Cryogenic Thermal Relief Valve
- Pneumatic valves
 - Swagelok bellows sealed VCR
- PT's
- Dytran
- Cooling coil on under side



Status

- Design can be orbital welded as is
 - Checked with fabricator – clearances are sufficient for weld head
- Pneumatic valves are large but fit
- Mounting needs a bit of work
- Connection points seem feasible





Cube Hall Layout

- 2 layouts

- Pneumatic Panel Perpendicular to Freon cart

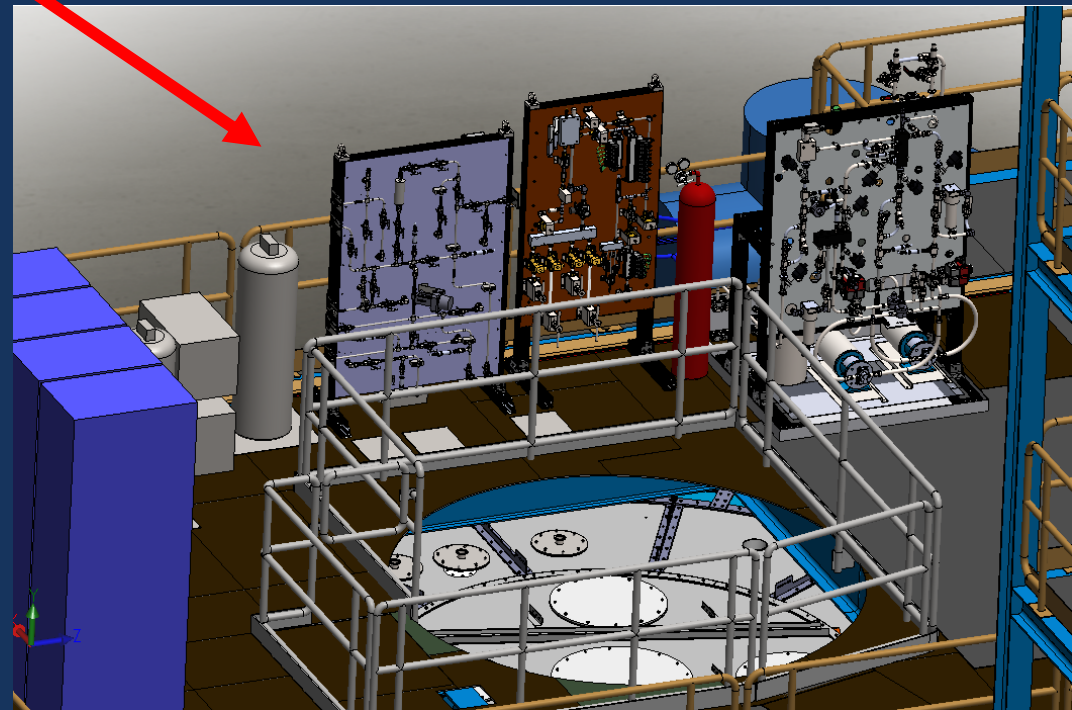
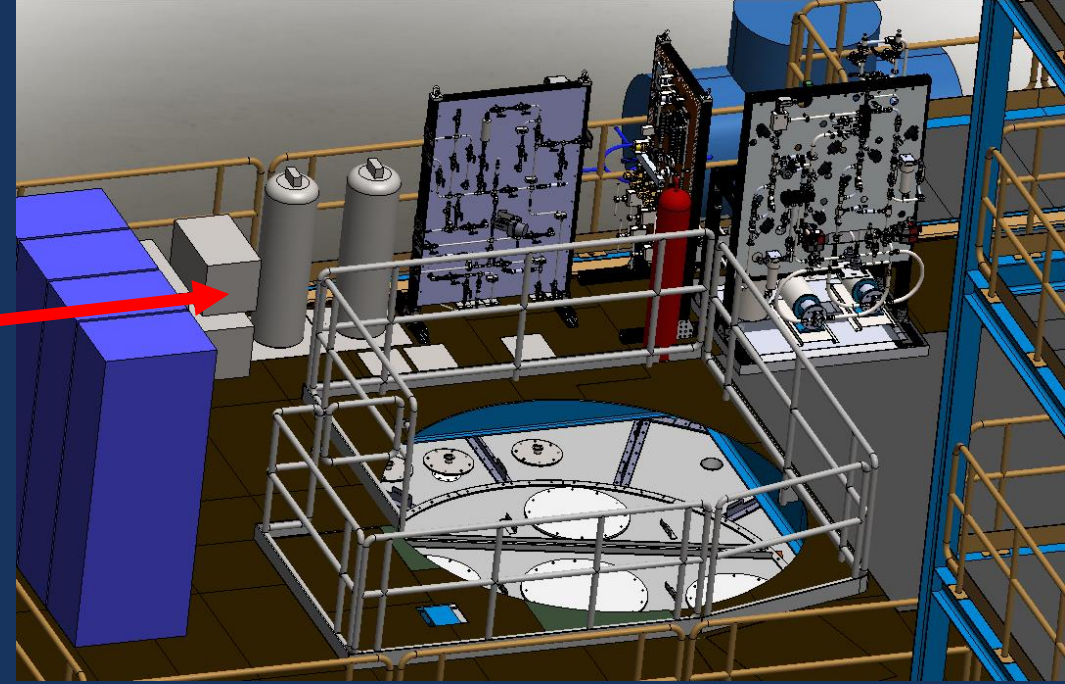
- Both freon cylinders can fit beside Freon cart

- Pneumatic panel Parallel to Freon cart

- 1 Freon cylinder beside Freon cart and 1 must go somewhere else on deck

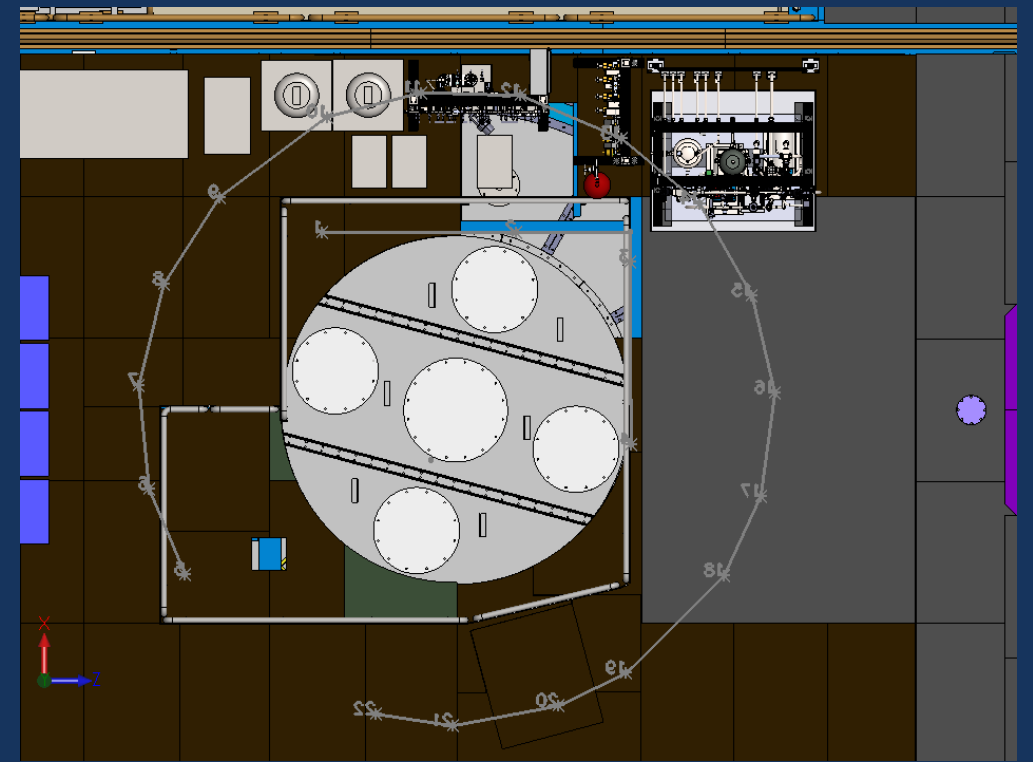
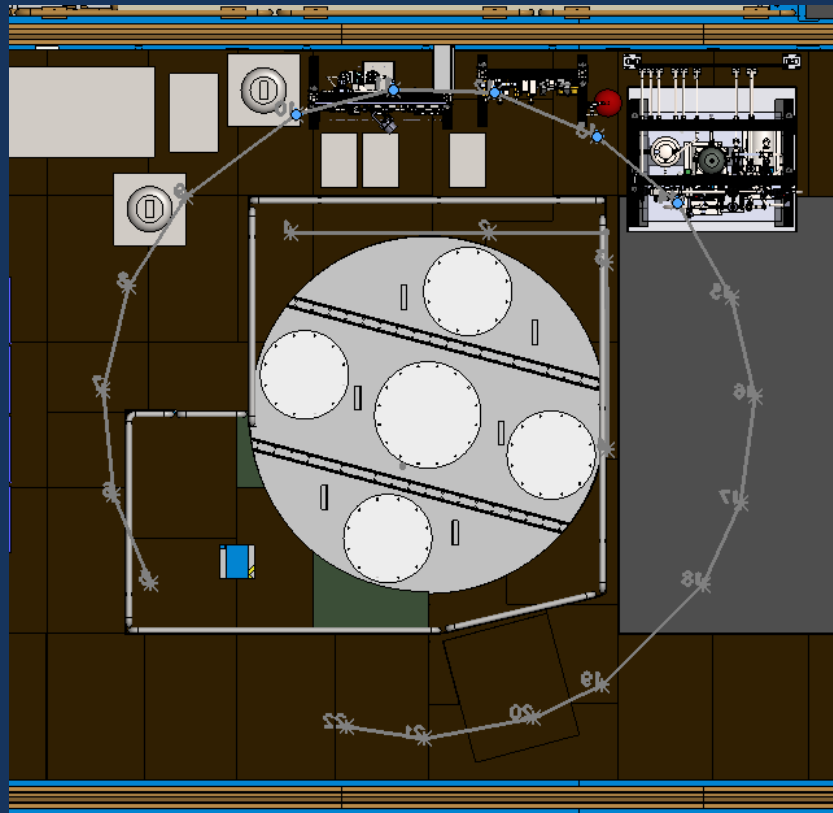
- Both layouts seem feasible

- Do we prefer freon cylinders side by side or potentially easier access to Pneumatic Panel



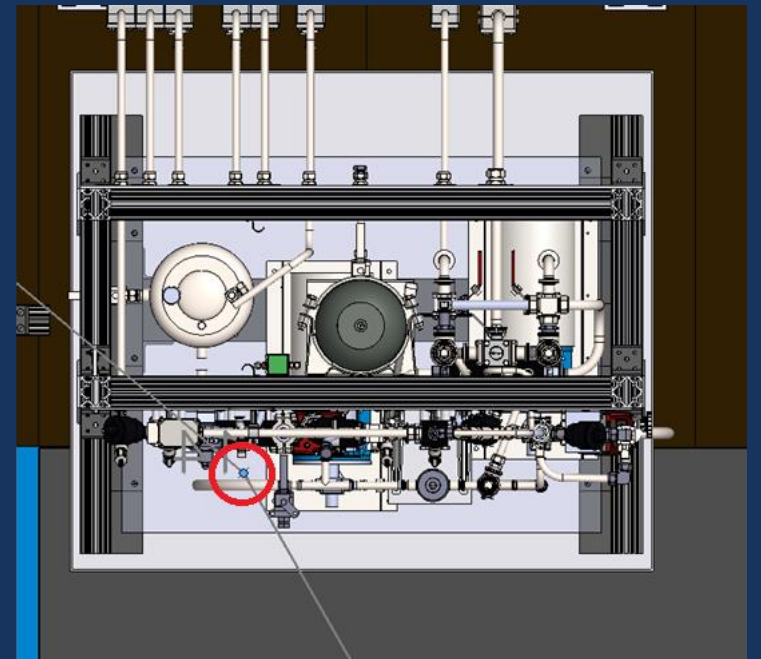
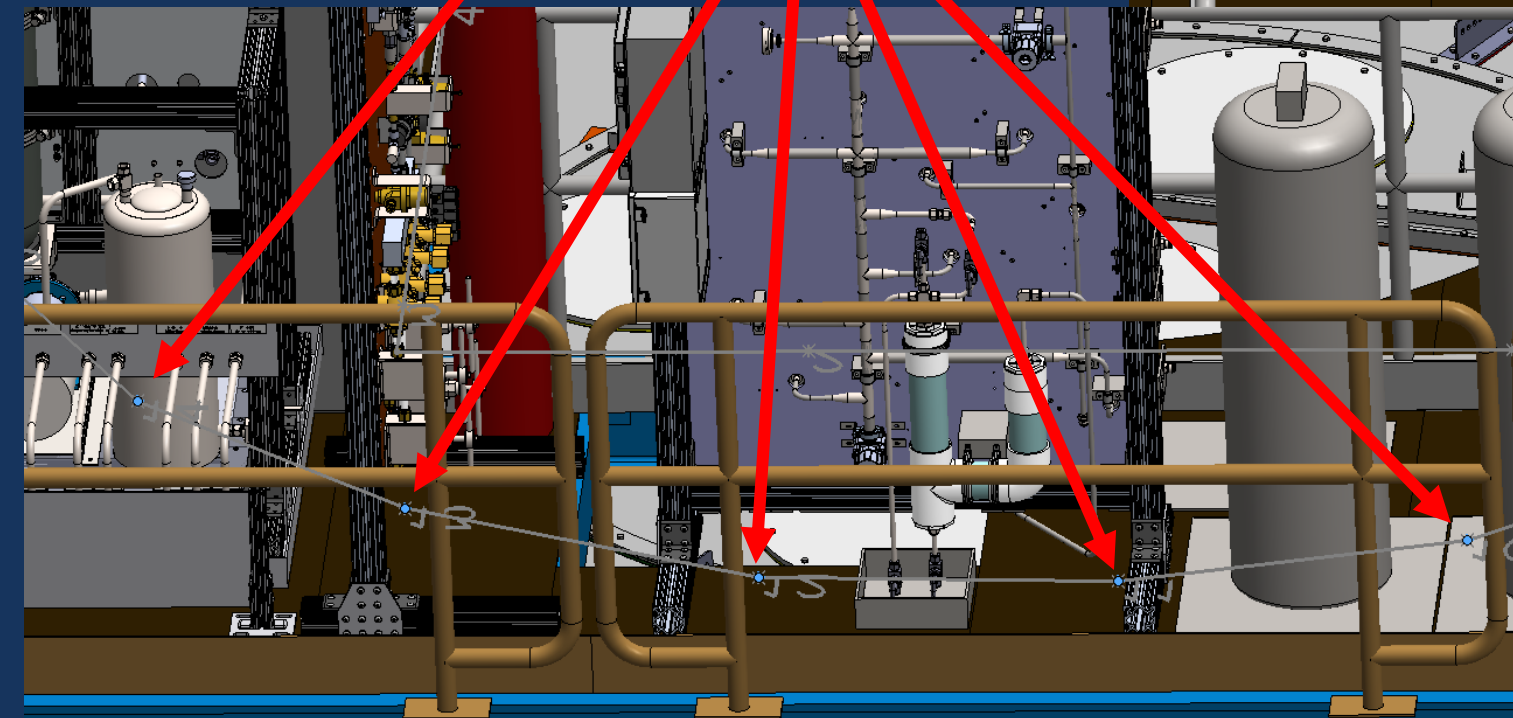
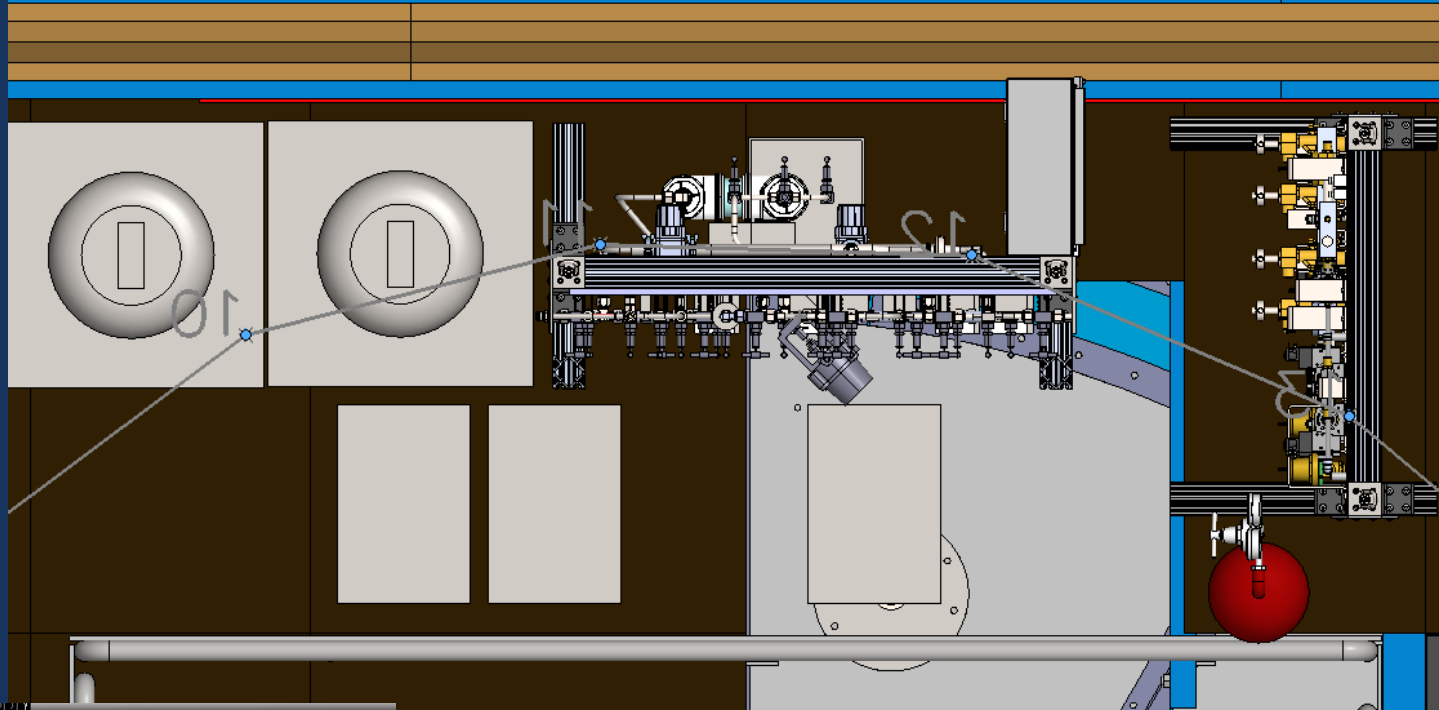
Water Tank Liner Holes

- Holes were scanned and added to the model
- Holes of interest I've highlighted in blue



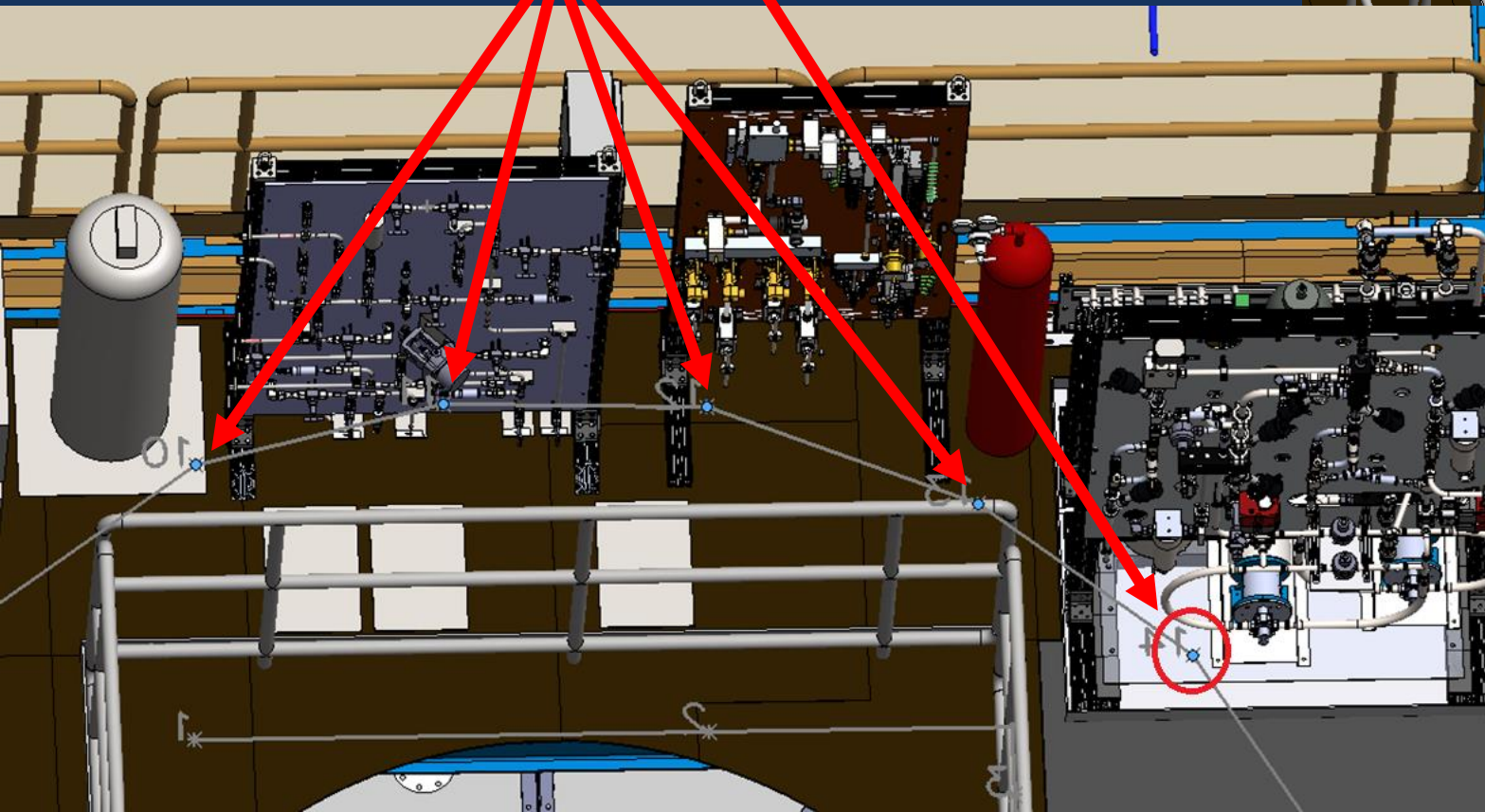
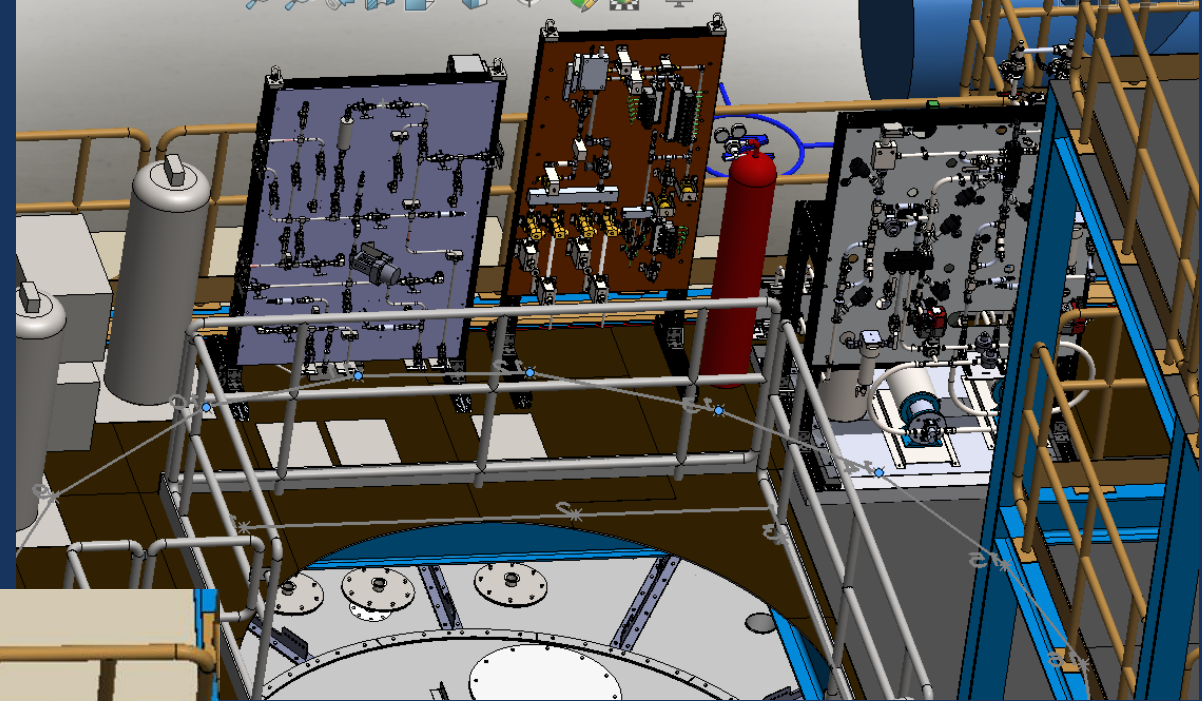
Layout 1

- Overlap: Hydraulic Cart



Layout 2

- Same concern



Questions?