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October 6th 2016

Project Manager's Report



Hall Infrastructure

Air Conditioning

- Repair of 2 air conditioning units in MICE Hall.
- Installation of fifth air-conditioning unit.
- Repair of RR2 air conditioning units

Cooling Water

- Commissioning of additional external chiller in MICE 'loading bay' to provide fail-over safety.
- Shutdown, re-configuration, and re-commissioning of roof based cooling system.
- Separation of cooling systems for superconducting and warm magnet systems.
- Commissioning of new warm magnet water system
 - controls and monitoring – integration to Epics system
 - shakedown in progress, requires fine tuning.



Controls & Monitoring



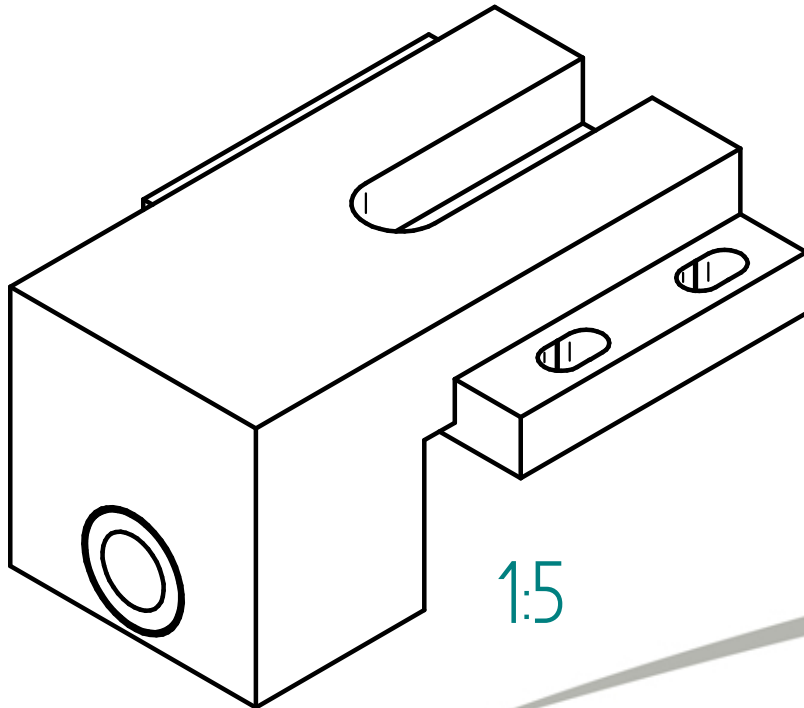
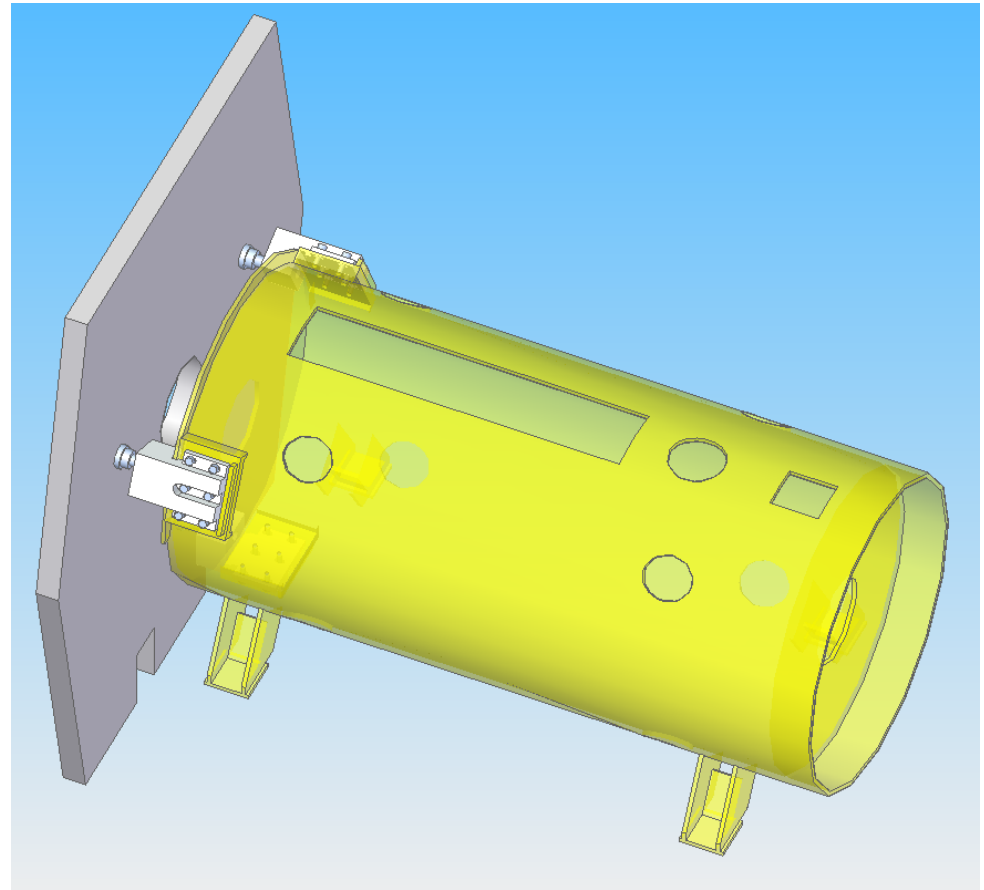
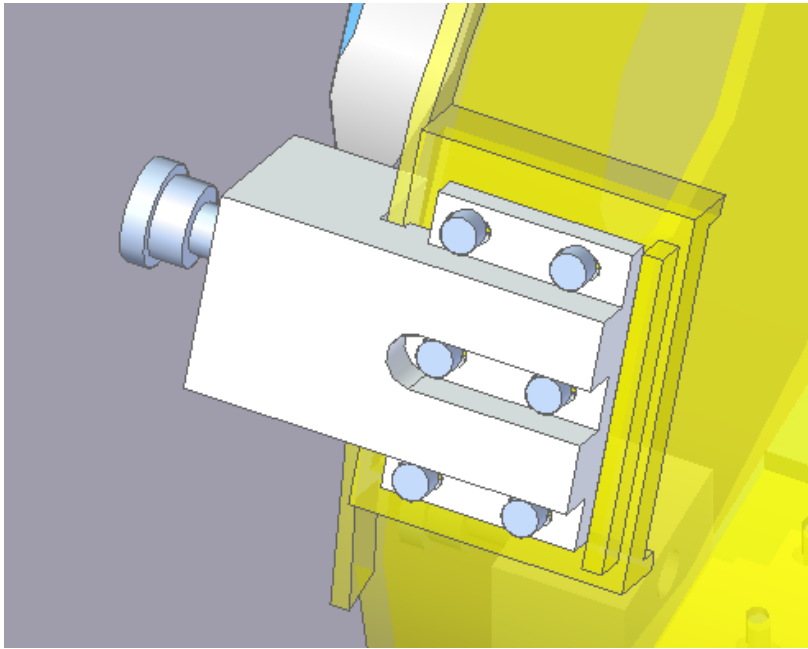
- increased protection to operator error in both the spectrometer solenoid and focus coil systems.
- operating procedures have been written for FC magnet and are near completion for SS magnets.
- improved quench protection for the spectrometer solenoids including compensation for voltages induced by the ramping of the FC magnet.
 - allows time correlation of all superconducting magnet current excursions in the Epics controls and monitoring system for quench propagation determination after a trip event.
- Addition of a 'spike catcher' feature to the quench logging to allow the capture and study of events below the Qd trip threshold – this to aid diagnosis of signals seen on the SS voltage tap connections during running.
- improved quench logging for FC magnet system.



Spectrometer Solenoids

- Magnet string successfully operated at 3T nominal inter-magnet forces up to 9T
 - FC performing well – no issues
 - SSU performing well – QD upgraded
 - SSD – Intermittent noise source on SSD QD system
 - currently OK – easily monitored
 - Trim power supplies currently not in use – controls issues under active investigation. Considering internal change to supplies or change of supply for fully floating output.
- PRY/magnet movement
 - Verified by ‘survey’ at field
 - Working to design OVC – PRY brace – J Tarrant.





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Decay Solenoid

- Annual refrigeration plant service
- Annual compressor service
 - New 'air-end' – Concerns over rising operating temperature
 - Persistent leak after service
 - Traced to intermittent leak at shaft seal of 'air-end' – only leaks when compressor is running and even then not all the time – hard to leak check.
 - HPC (service agents) agreed to replace seal – now completed.
 - We required consultant Jorge Jungst on site to assist
 - Now leak tight and cooling down.
 - HPC to pursue Kaeser re their supply of 'new' air end with leak
- Decay solenoid cold Oct 4th. Unexpected drop in Helium level – trip. Currently cooling again and at temperature – soak test.
- Mitigated by 'Pion' beam settings – higher rate.





Liquid H2

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- All sensor and control connections verified and corrected.
 - New hermetic Fischer connector.
 - Cernox connections corrected and verified.
 - Temperature sensors verified.
- FC bolted to floor for stability.
- Improvement to thermal performance completed.
- FC end caps installed – leak found
 - Correct lift gear delivered.
- H2 system leak tight.
- R9 chiller re-commissioned and cryo-coolers plumbed and operational.
- Move to hall planned Jan 2017.



Risk Tracking

Top Level Risk Tracking

