

# RCx 101

A Technical Introduction to Existing Building Commissioning

Central Plant Support



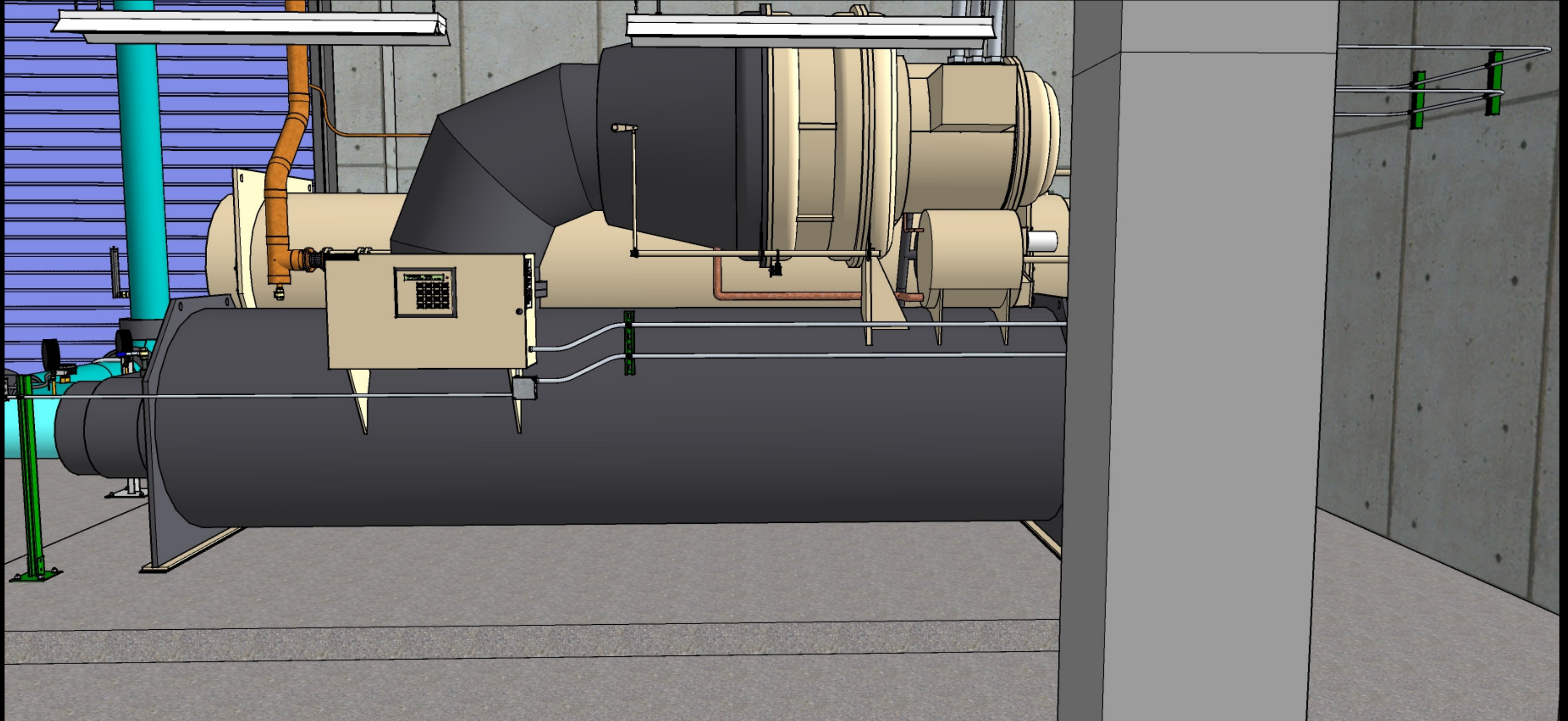
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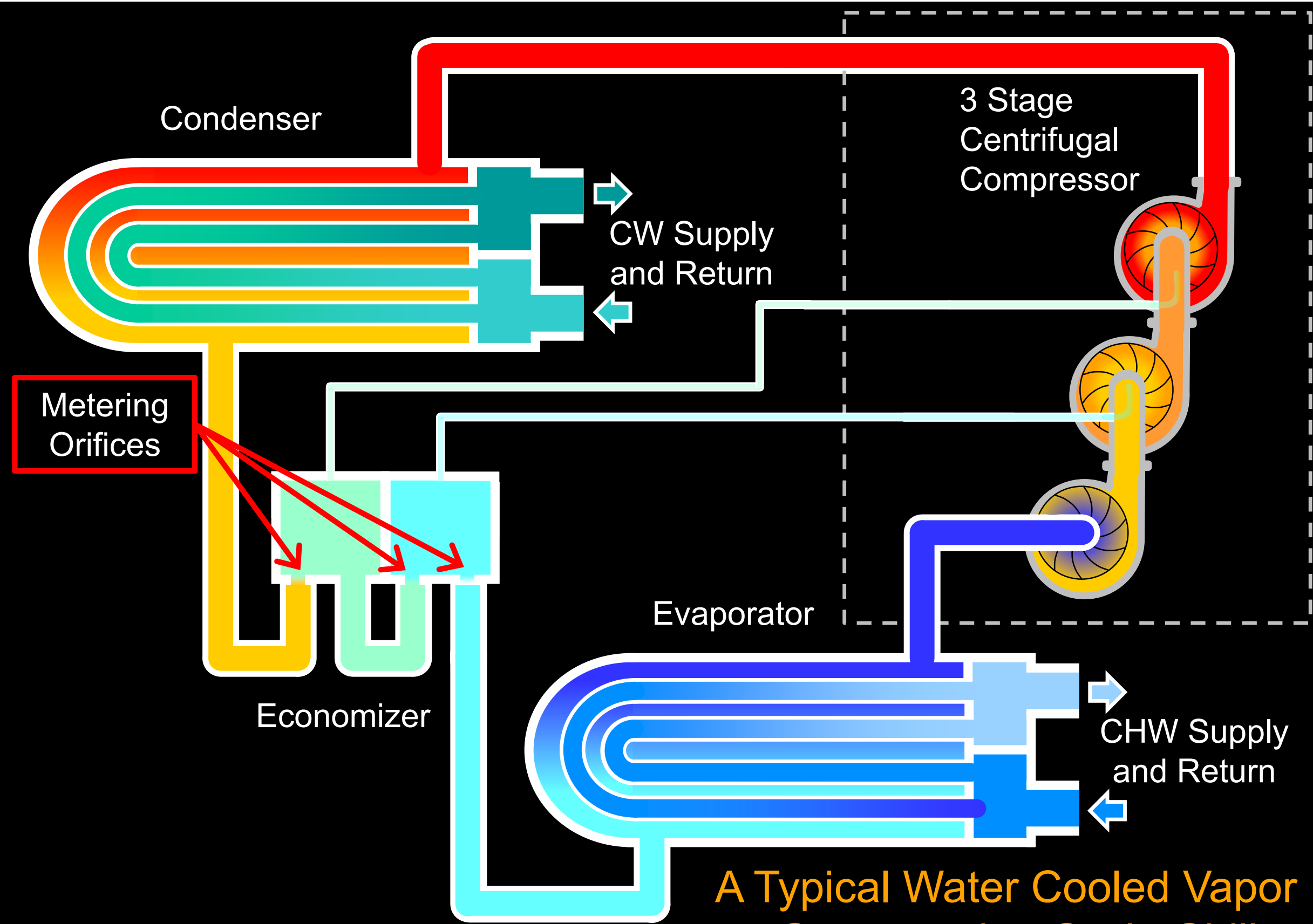
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# Taking A Closer Look at a Chiller







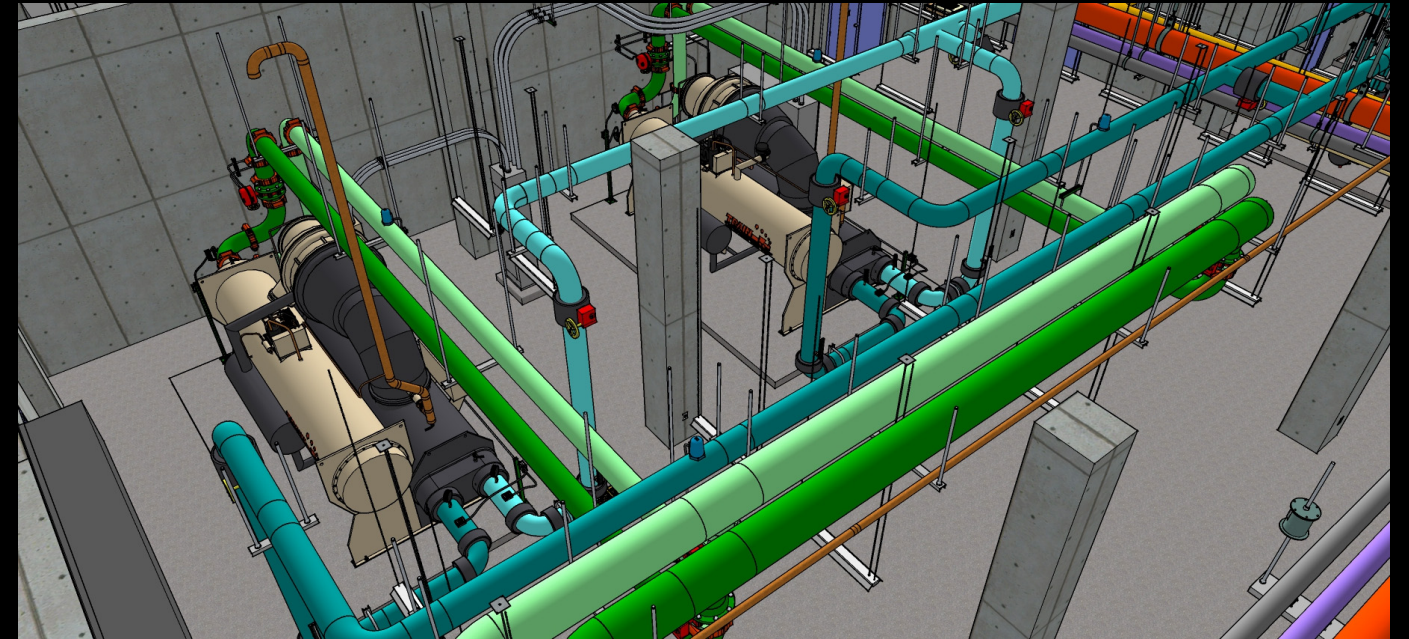
A Typical Water Cooled Vapor Compression Cycle Chiller





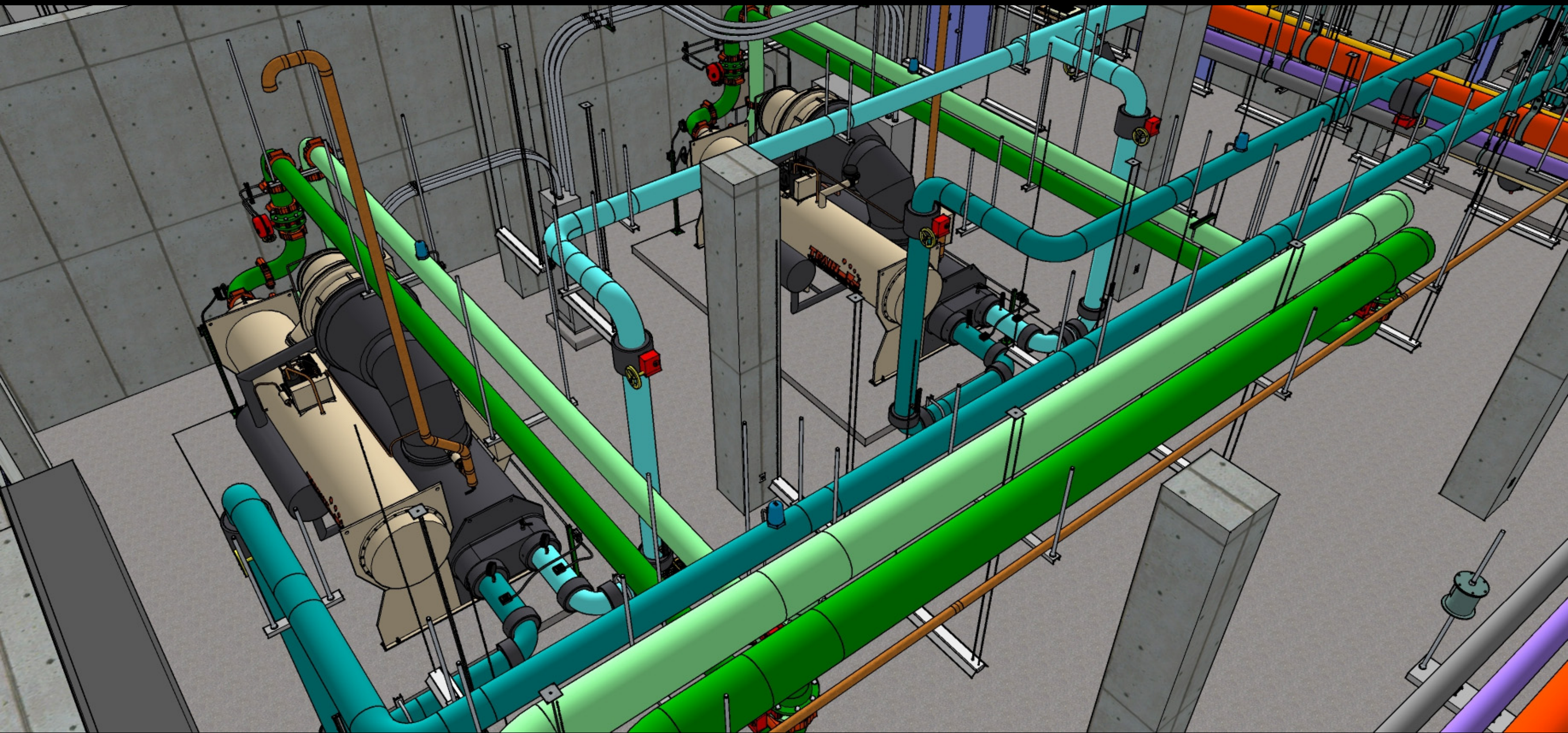
## Break and an Exercise

We have looked at Chiller 1 (left)  
Is Chiller 2 identical?  
If not, what are the differences?

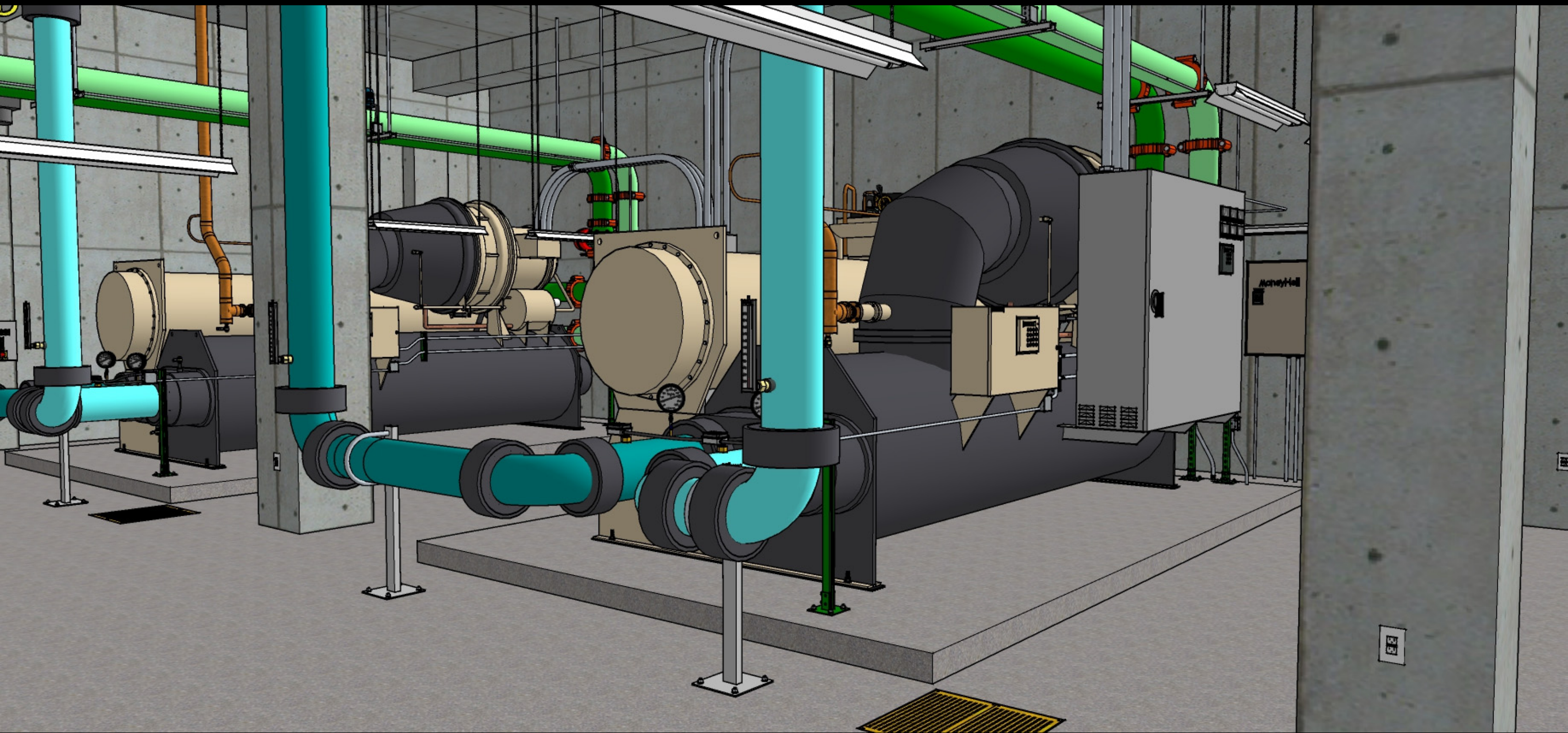


# Chiller Overview

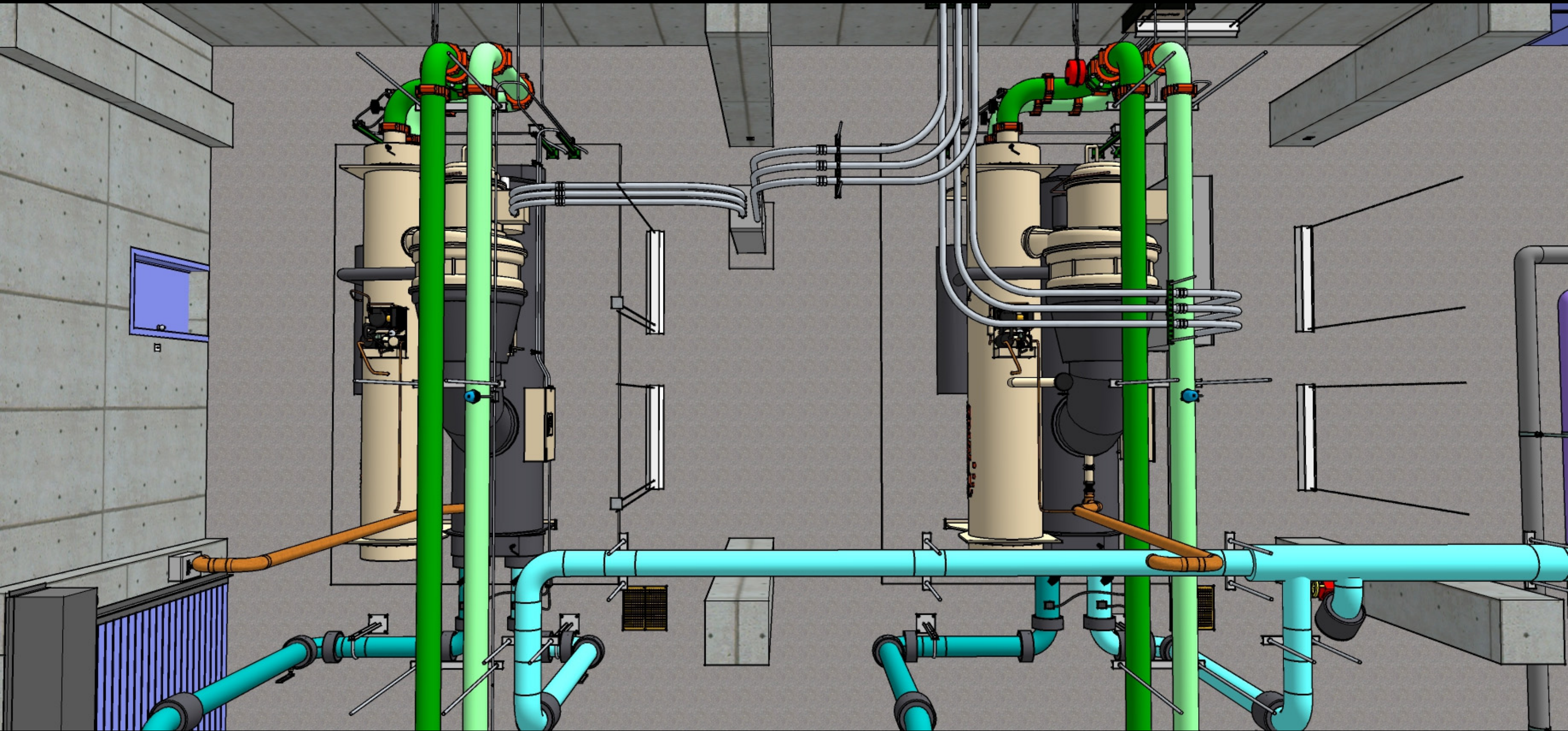








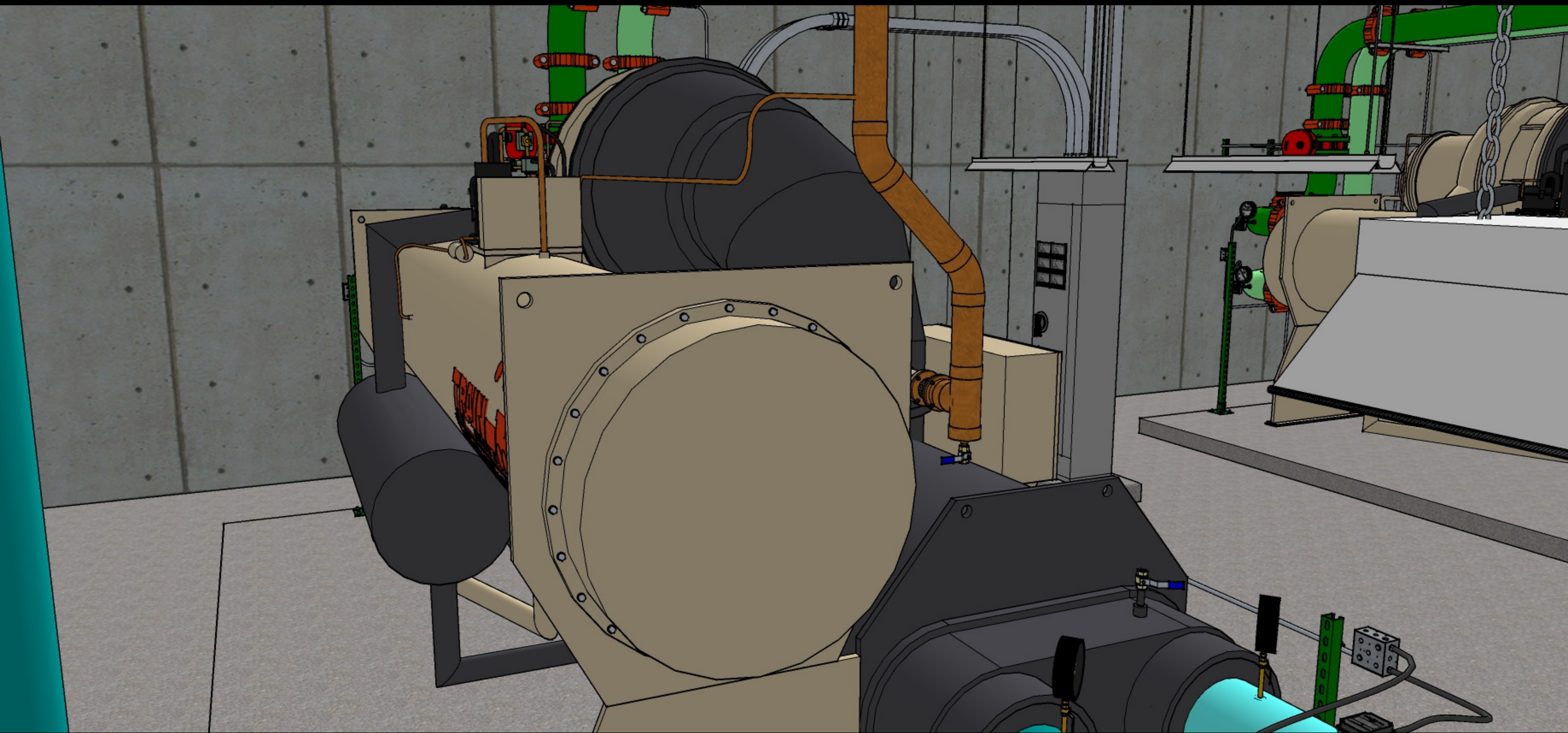




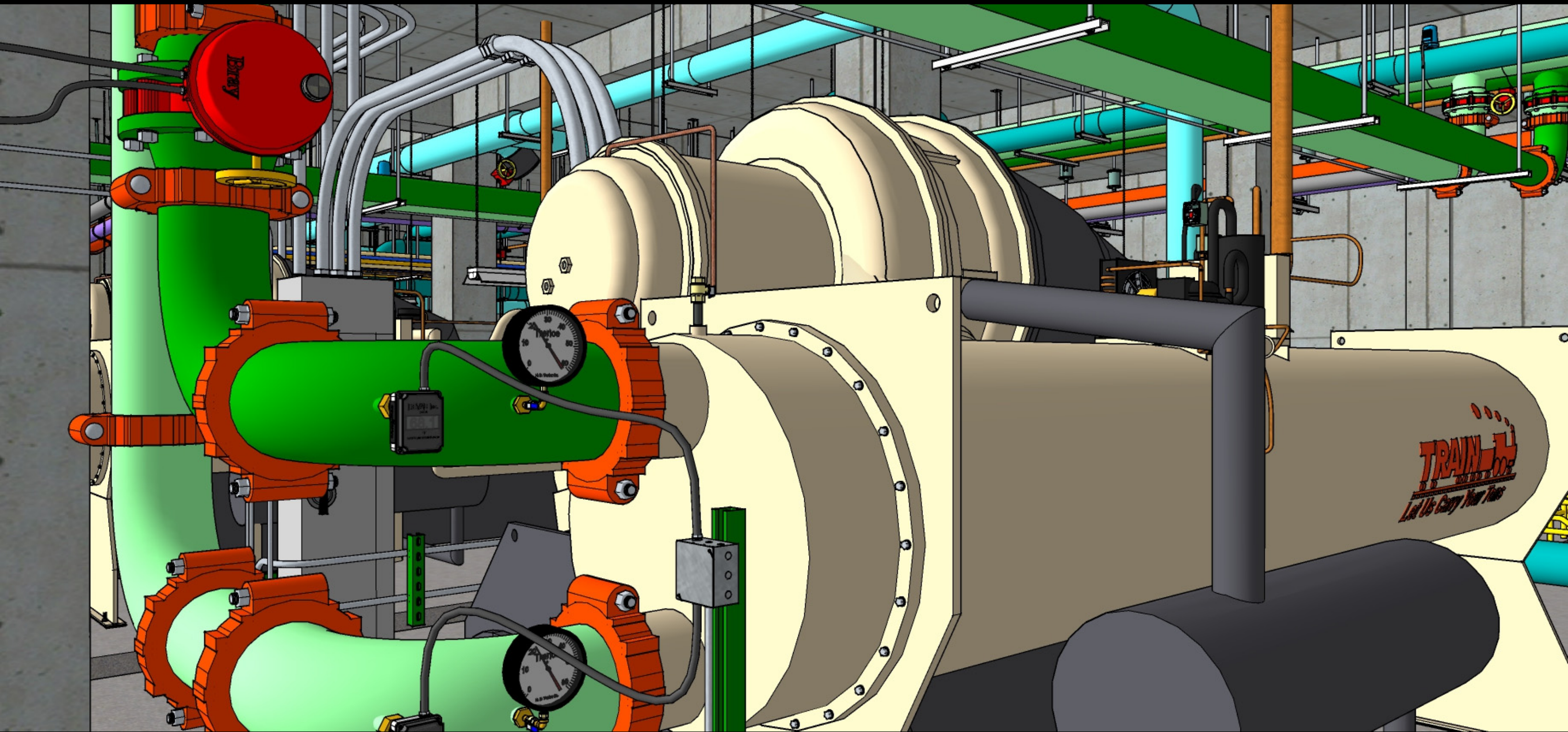


Chiller 1



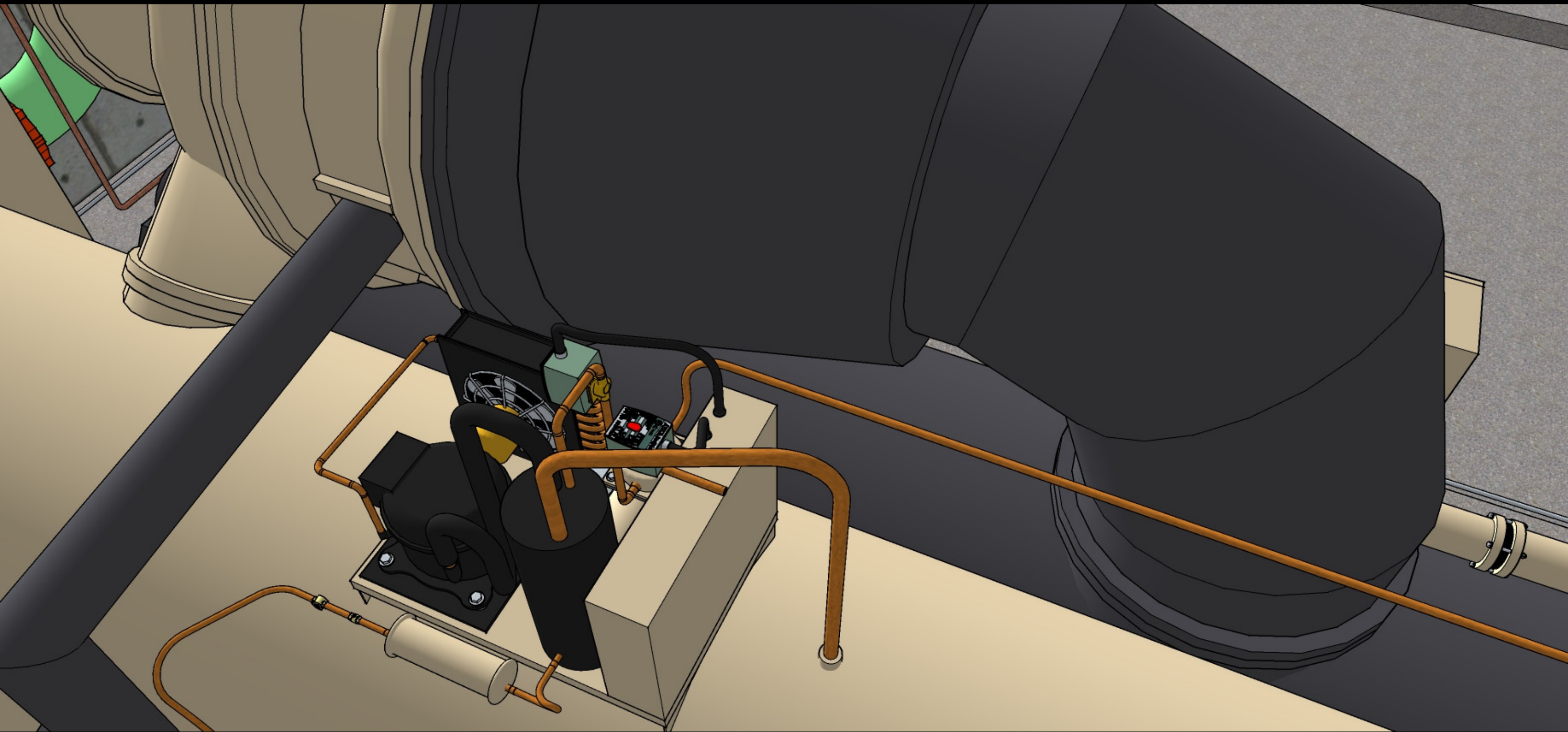




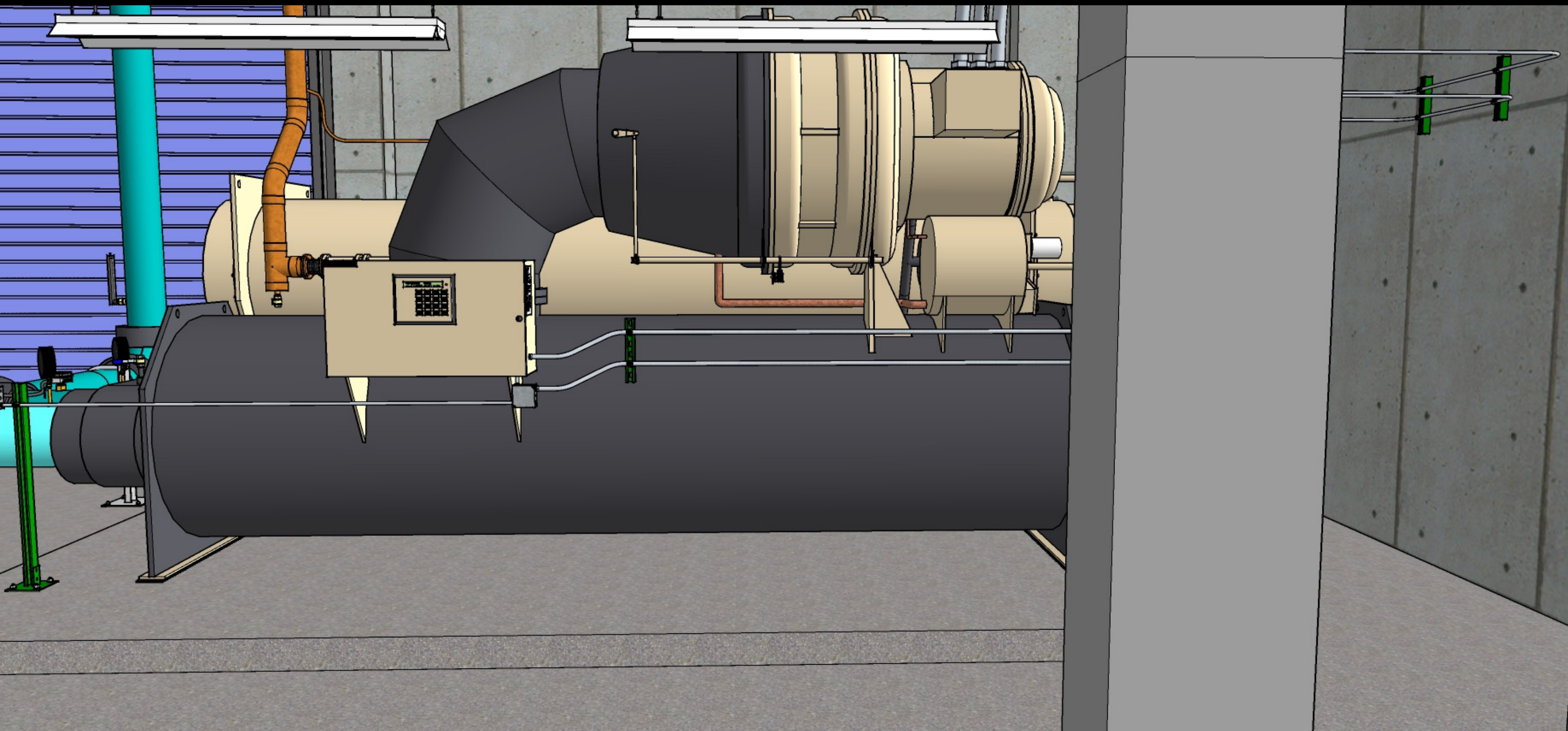


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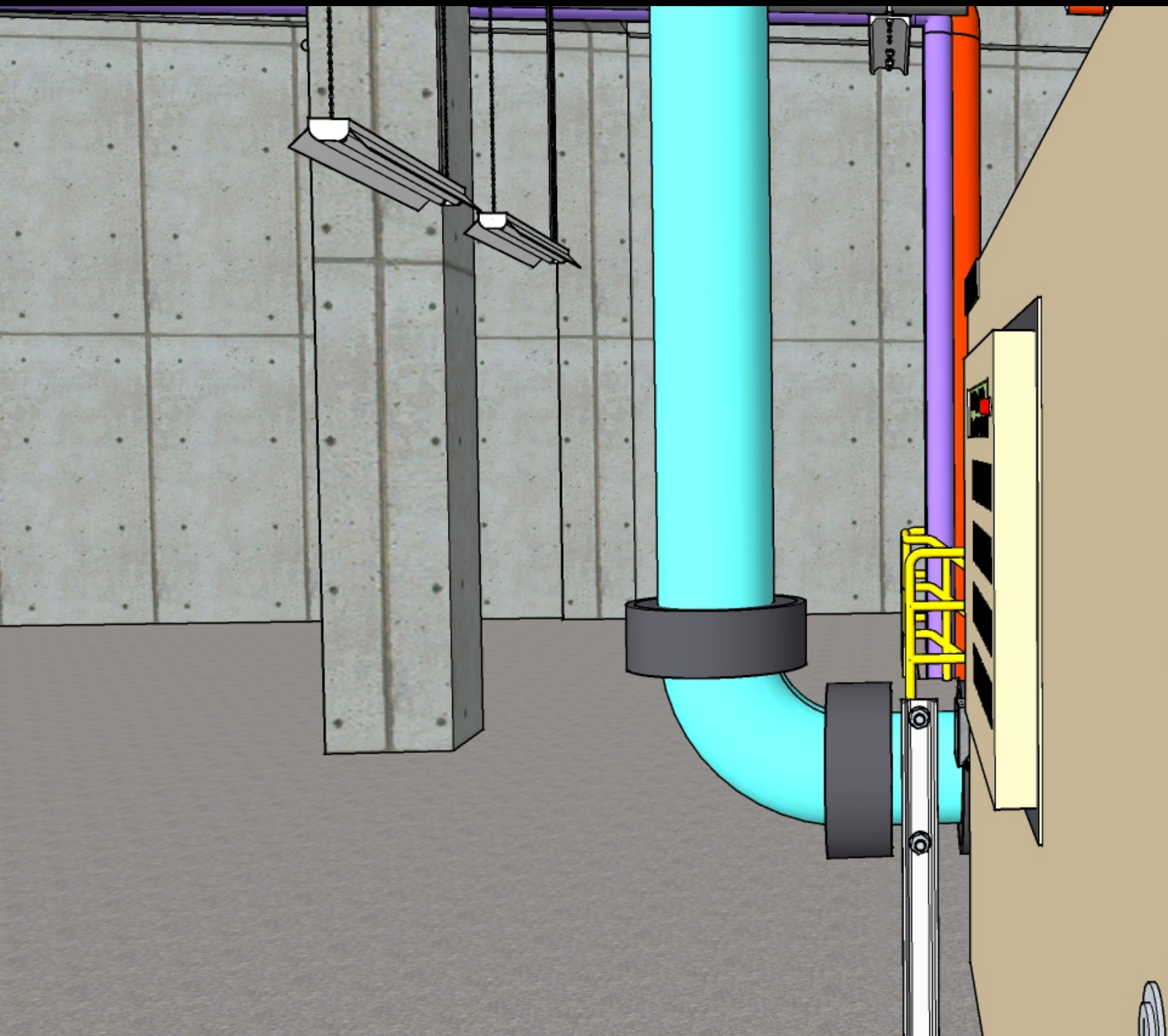












**Model CVHF 570**  
**Serial Number L07G03609**

**Electrical Characteristics**

Rated Voltage: 460 Volts 60 Hz 3 PH  
 Nameplate NMKW: 286.10  
 Voltage Utilization Range: 414 - 506 VAC  
 Minimum Circuit Ampacity: 517 Amps  
 Maximum Overcurrent Protective Device: 800 Amps  
 Primary RLA: 376 Amps

**General Characteristics**

Refrigerant system to be field charged with 1050 lb of R-123  
 Maximum Refrigerant Working Pressure  
 Hi Side 15 psig Lo Side 15 psig  
 Factory Test Pressure  
 Hi Side 45 psig Lo Side 45 psig  
 Field Leak Test Pressure 8 psig Max.

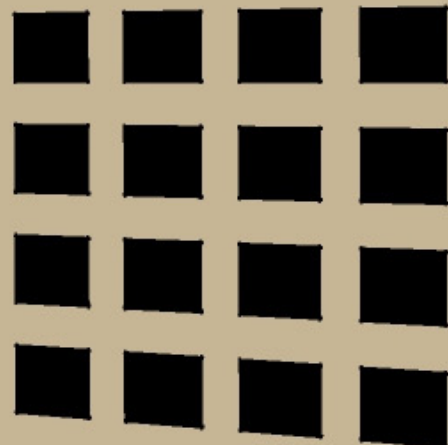
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NT0-570	EVTH-25	ORSZ-790
CNIF-ADPV	EVVF-NO	TEST-AIR
INDP-NO	EWFP-2	TTOL-AIR
IHRZ-60	EWVN-10	FTST-YES
SRTM-CVSK	EVFP-TDFS	ASTT-NO
HRTZ-60	CDSZ-060L	OPMM-PLV
MLT-480	CDBS-800	INSL-NO
ENCL-STD	CDTM-IMCU	GBAS-YES
VOLT-480	CDTH28	CRFG-R123
CPKW-286	CDVF-NO	
CPIM-273	CDWP-2	
EVSZ-060L	CDWN-10	



Chiller 1

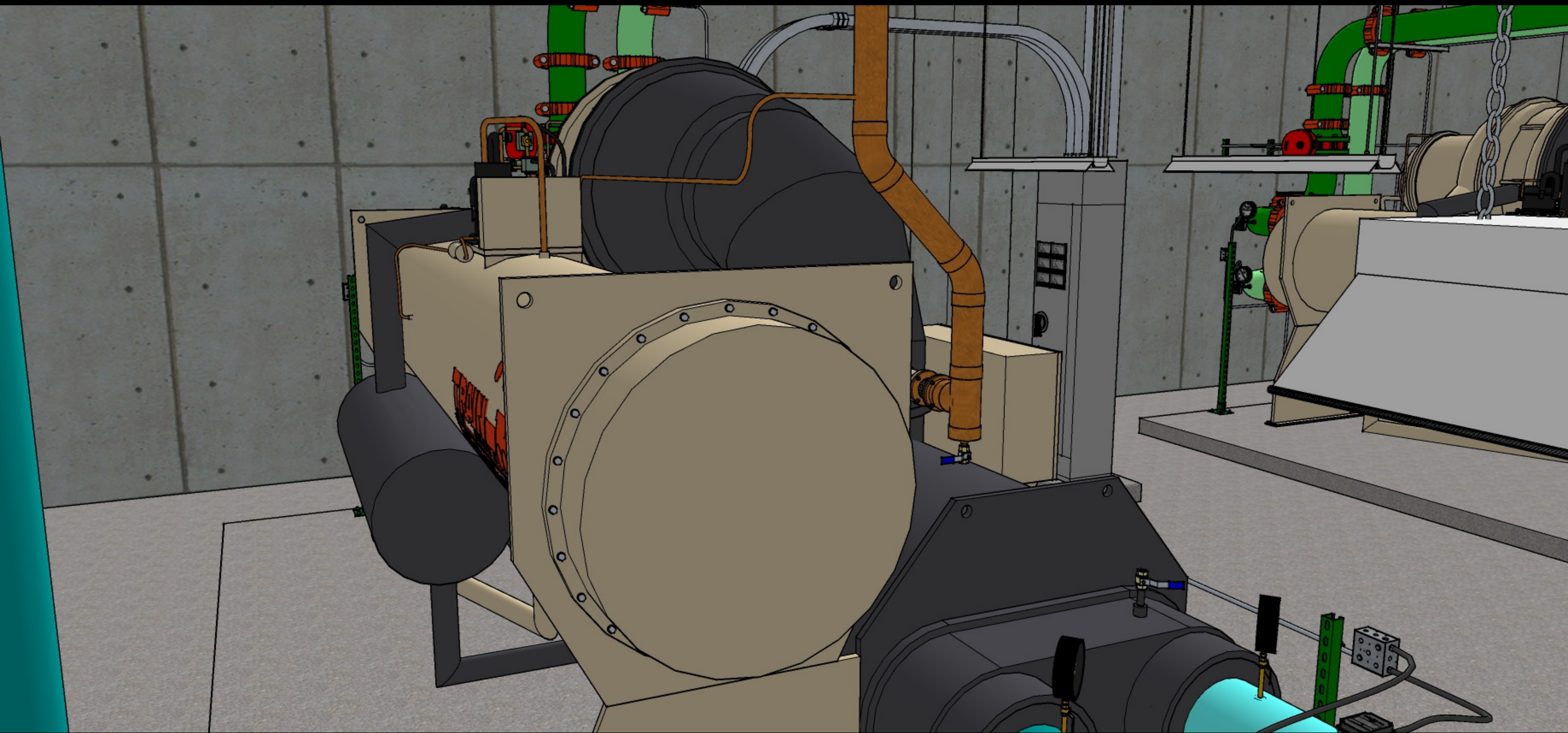
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Hours = 17,607    Starts = 11,534





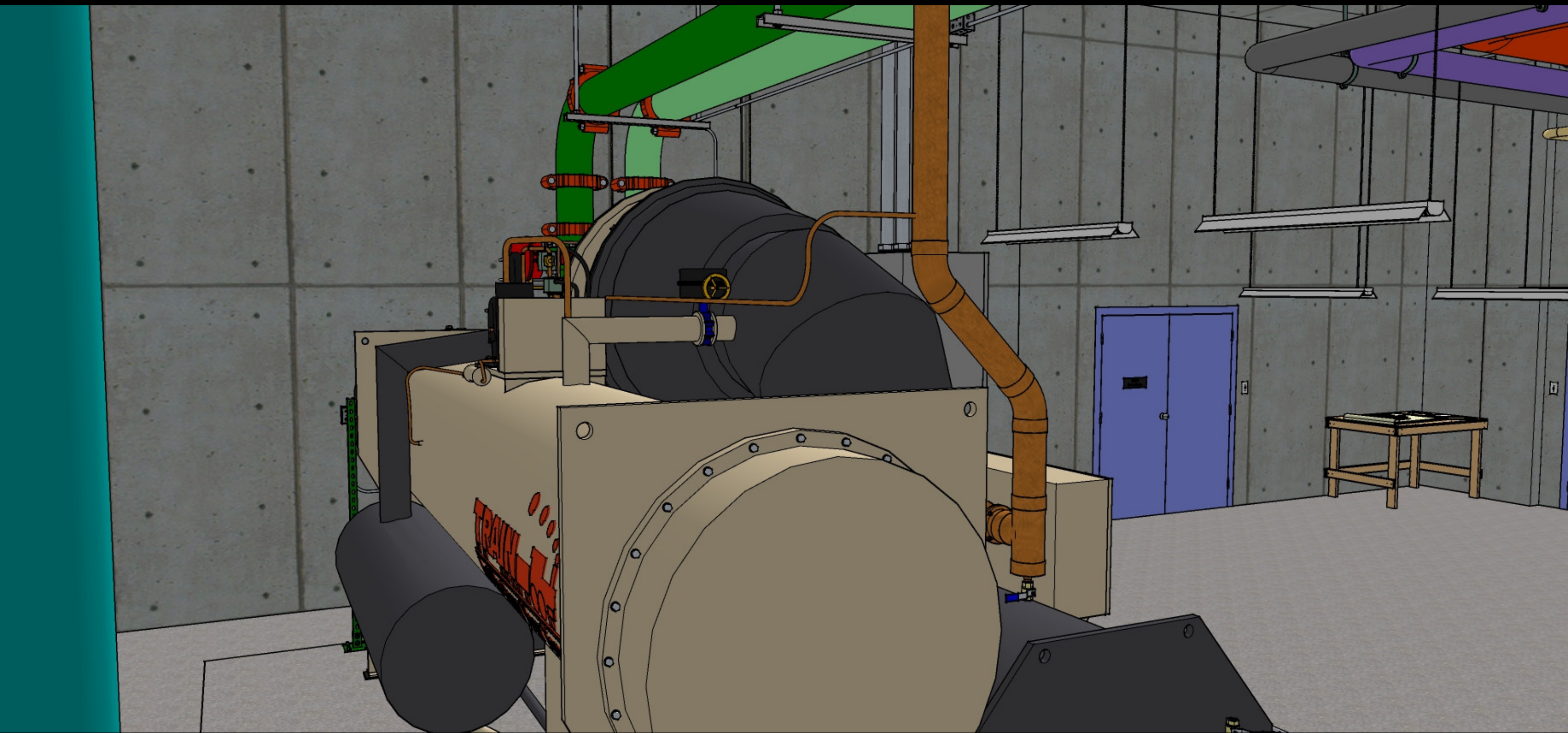
Chiller 1







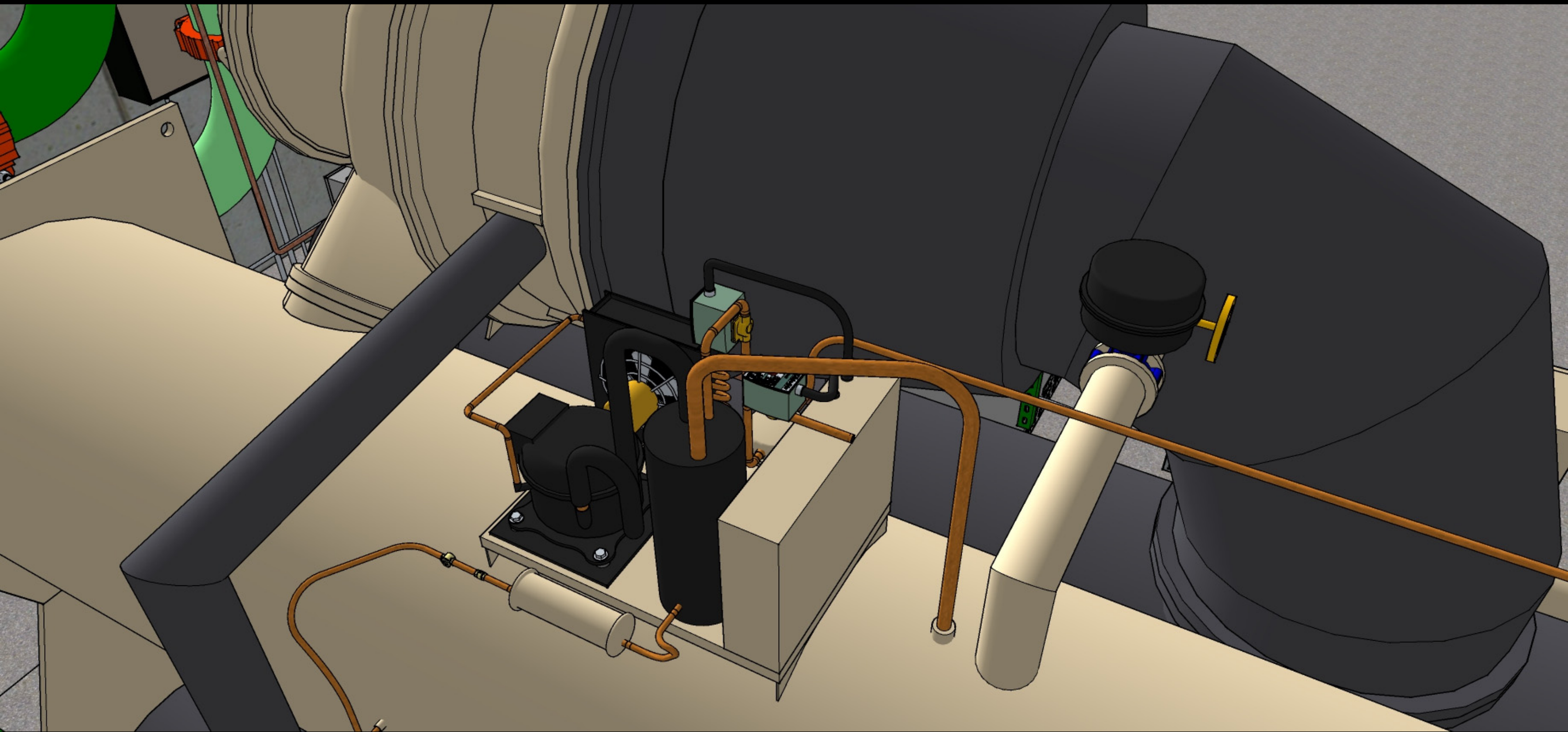
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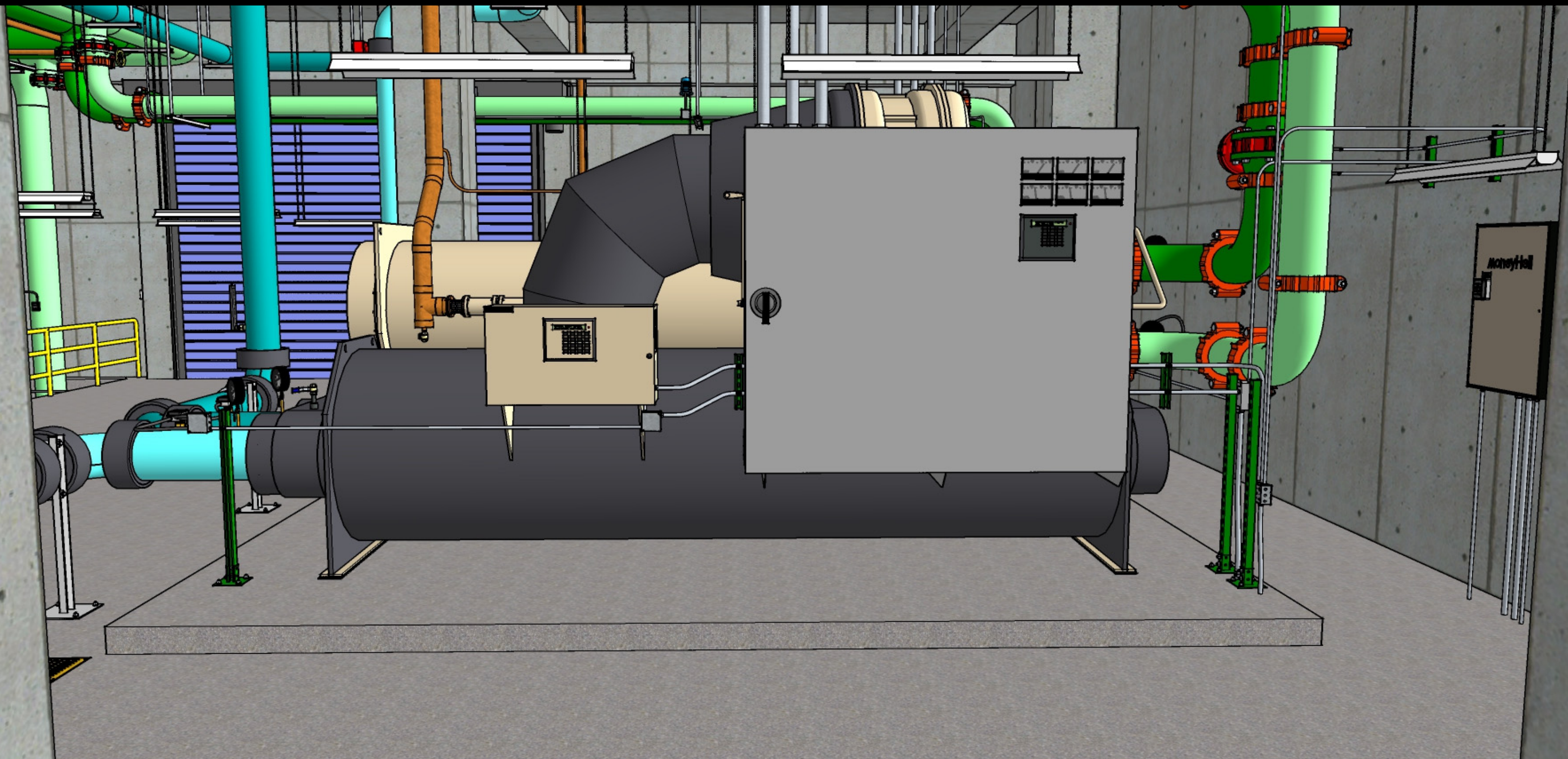




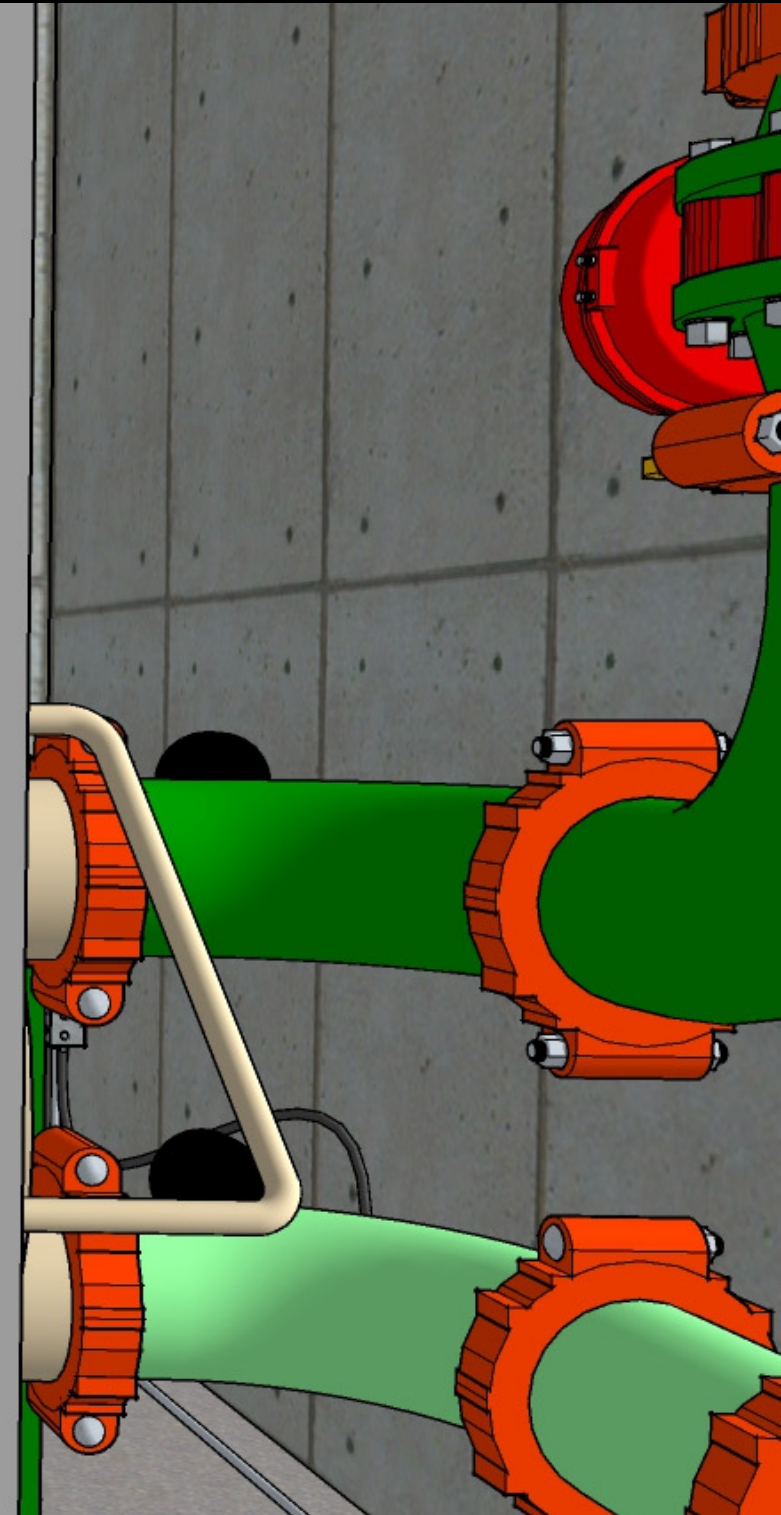
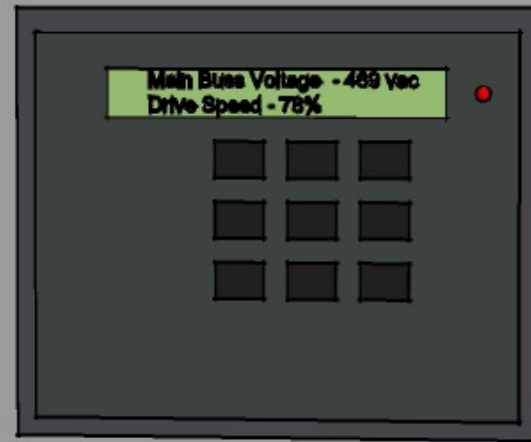
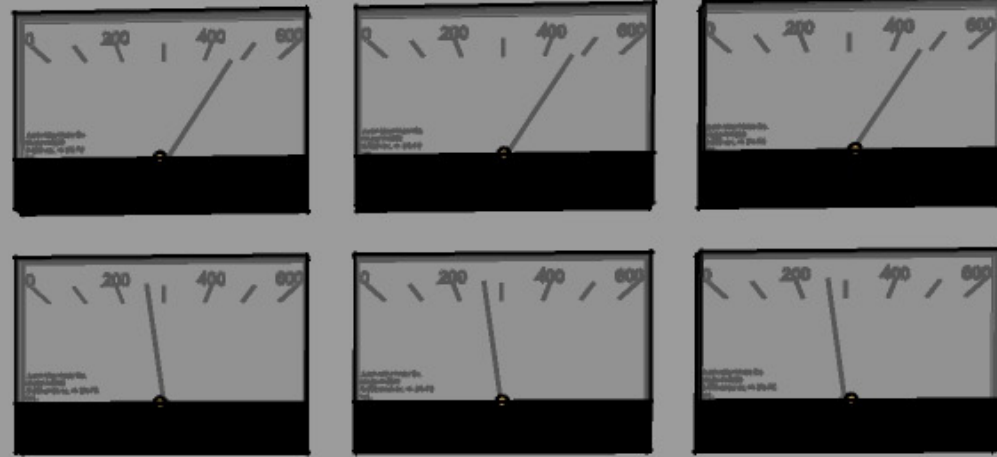
















**Model CVHF 0570**  
**Serial Number L07G03608**

**Electrical Characteristics**

Rated Voltage: 460 Volts      60 Hz    3 PH  
Nameplate NMKW: 309.20  
Voltage Utilization Range:      414 - 506 VAC  
Minimum Circuit Ampacity:      517 Amps  
Maximum Overcurrent Protective Device: 800 Amps  
Primary RLA:      406 Amps

**General Characteristics**

Refrigerant system to be field charged with 1050 lb of R-123  
Maximum Refrigerant Working Pressure  
Hi Side 15 psig      Lo Side 15 psig  
Factory Test Pressure  
Hi Side 45 psig      Lo Side 45 psig  
Field Leak Test Pressure 8 psig Max.

**Product Description**

FCLT-LAX  
MODL-CVHF  
NTO-570  
CNIF-ADPV  
INDP-NO  
IHRZ-60  
SRTY-UAFD  
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ENCL-STD  
VOLT-480  
CPKW-309  
CPIM-273  
EVSZ-080L

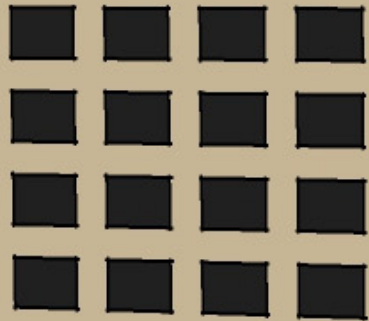
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EVTH-25  
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CDTM-IMCU  
CDTH28  
CDVF-NO  
CDWP-2  
CDWN-10

TSTY-STD  
CDFF-TDFS  
ORSZ-790  
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FTST-YES  
ASTT-NO  
OPMM-PLV  
INSL-NO  
GBAS-YES  
CRFG-R123

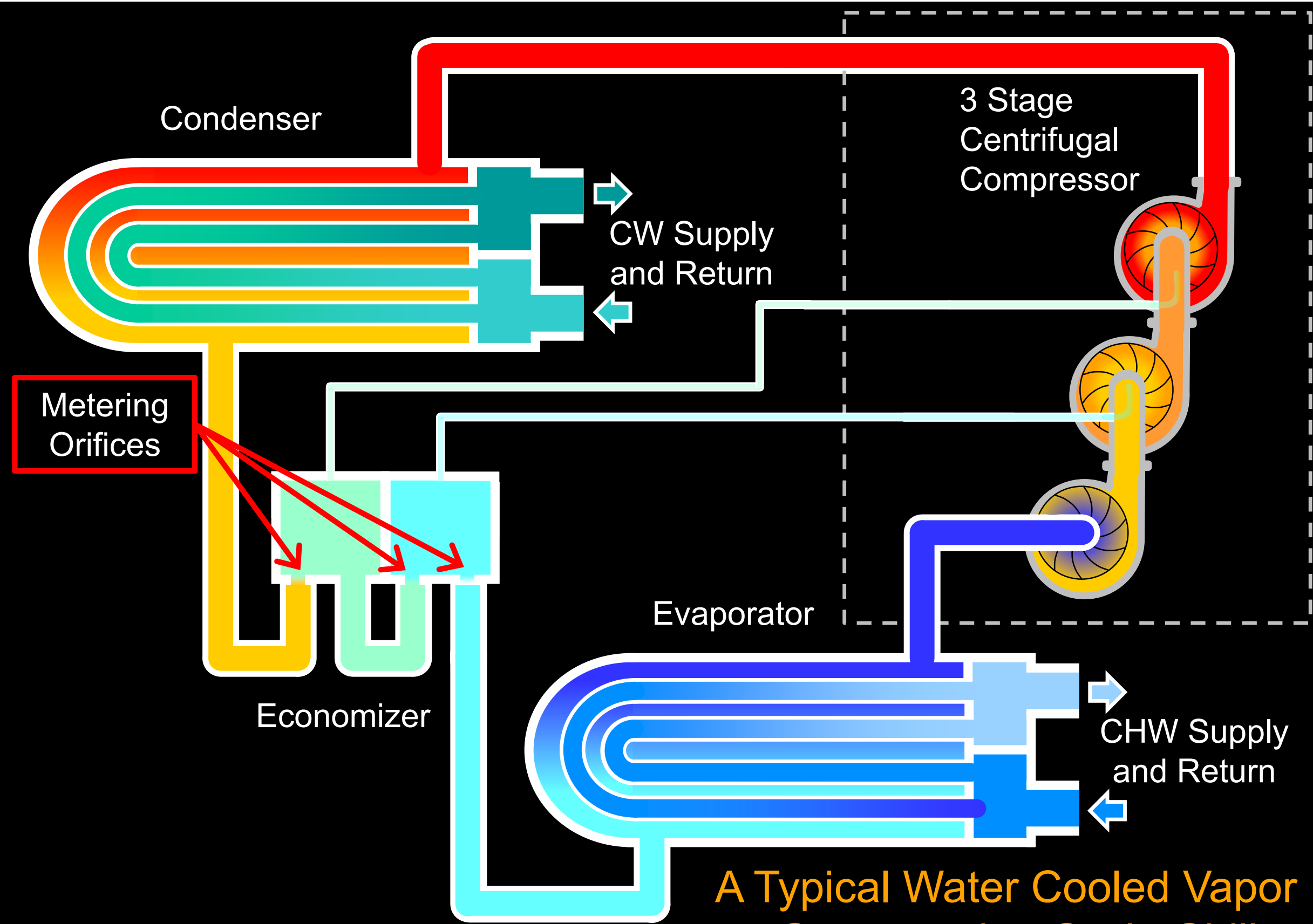


Chiller 2

Run Auto 188 kW 42F LWT  
Hours = 19,765 Starts = 1,263

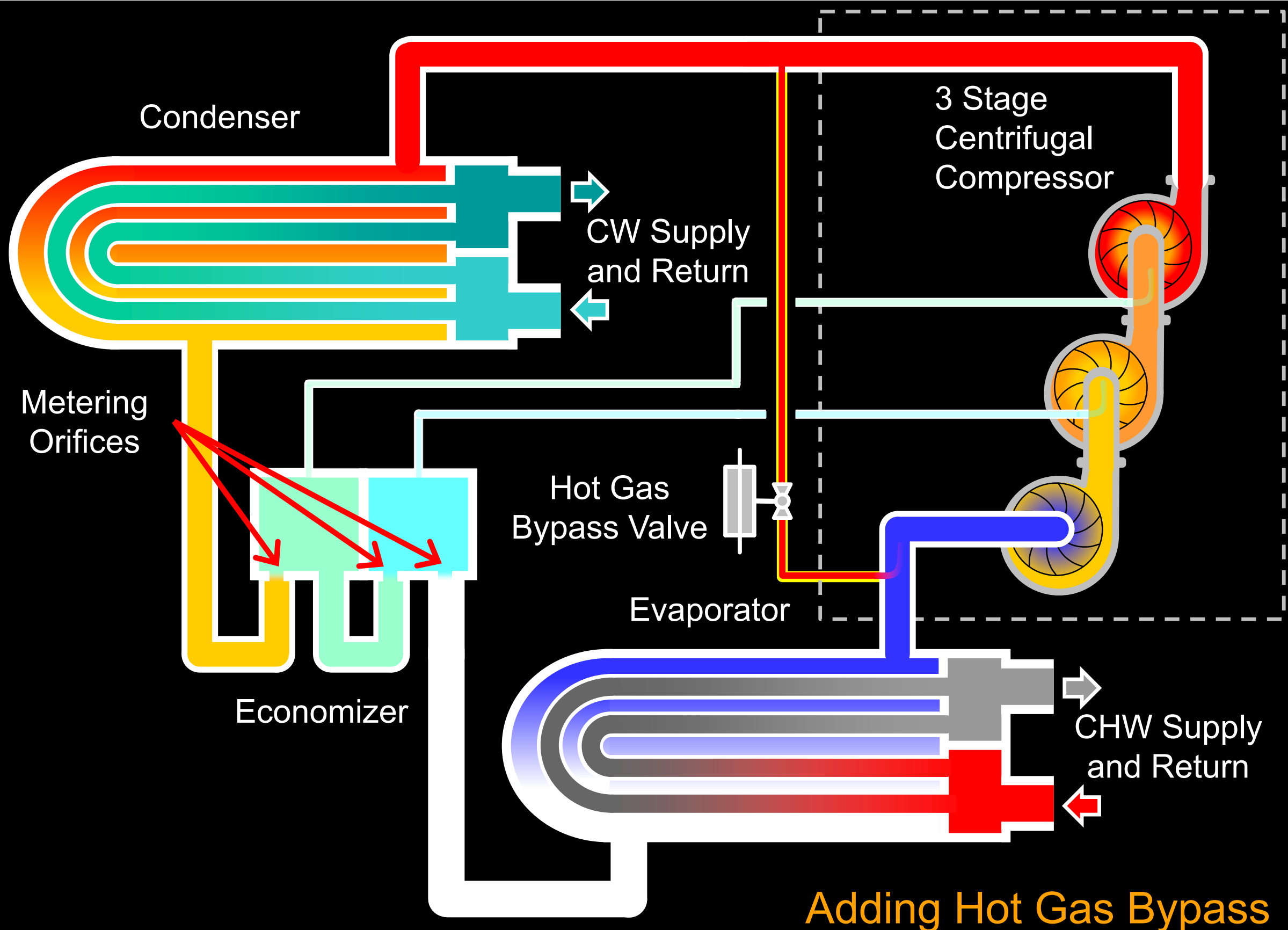






A Typical Water Cooled Vapor  
Compression Cycle Chiller





Adding Hot Gas Bypass

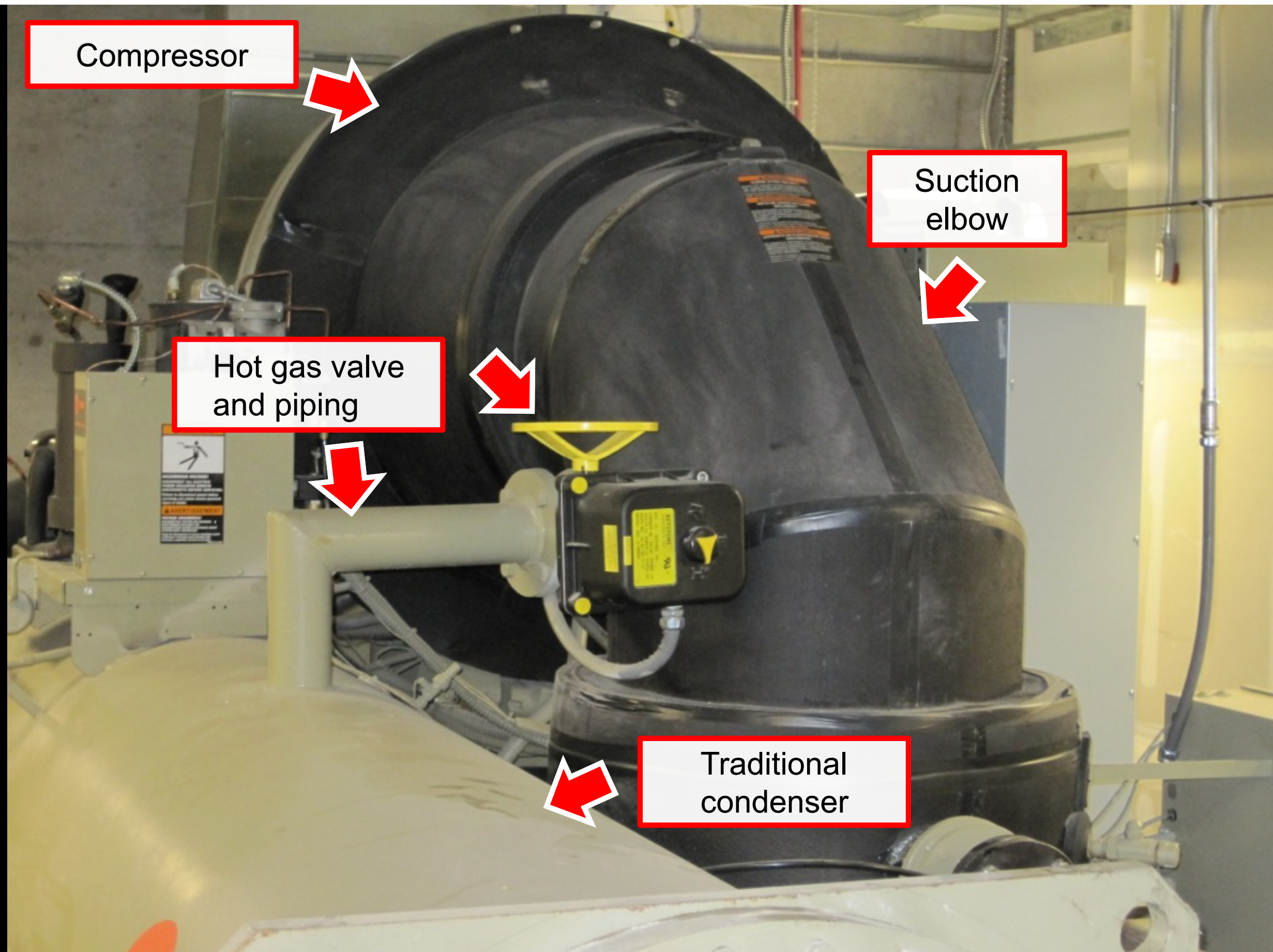


Compressor

Suction  
elbow

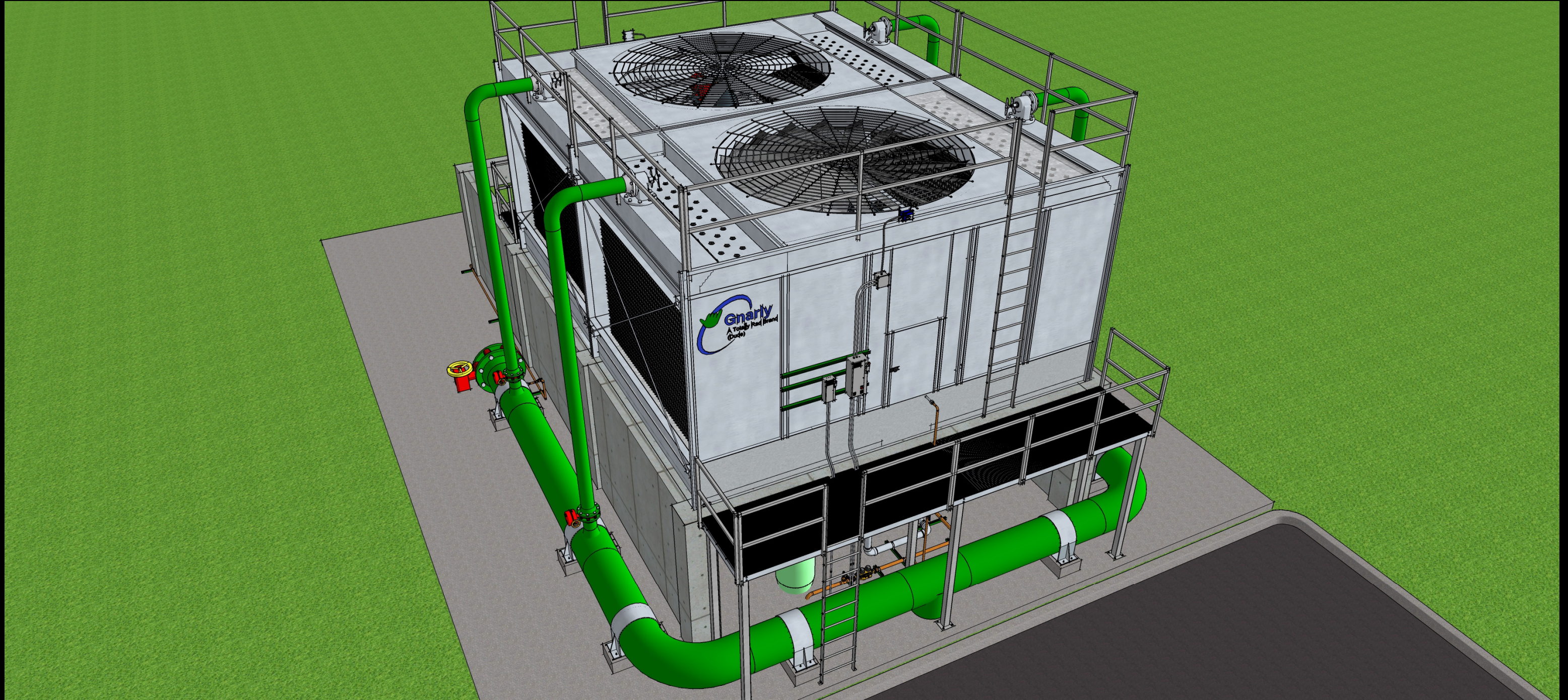
Hot gas valve  
and piping

Traditional  
condenser





# Cooling Towers





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Given:

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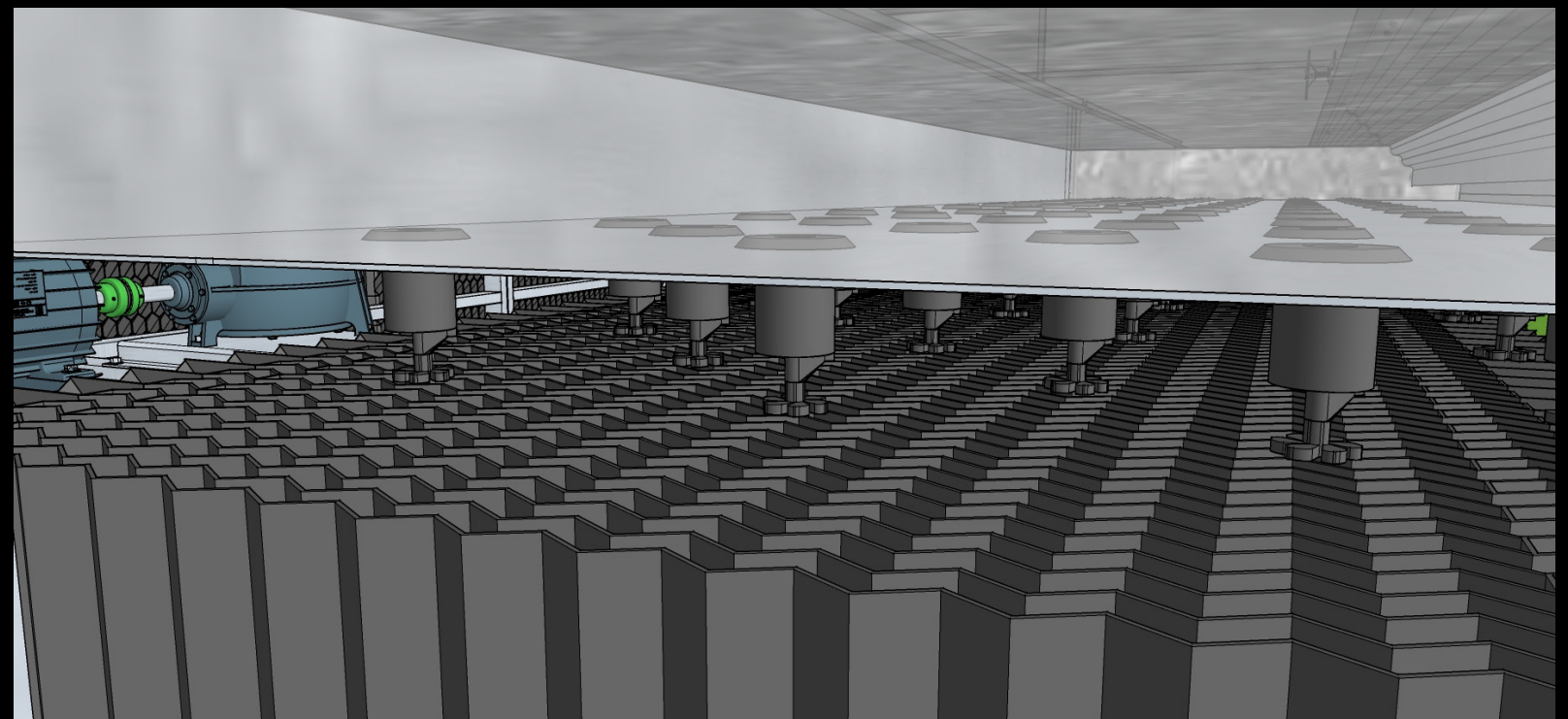
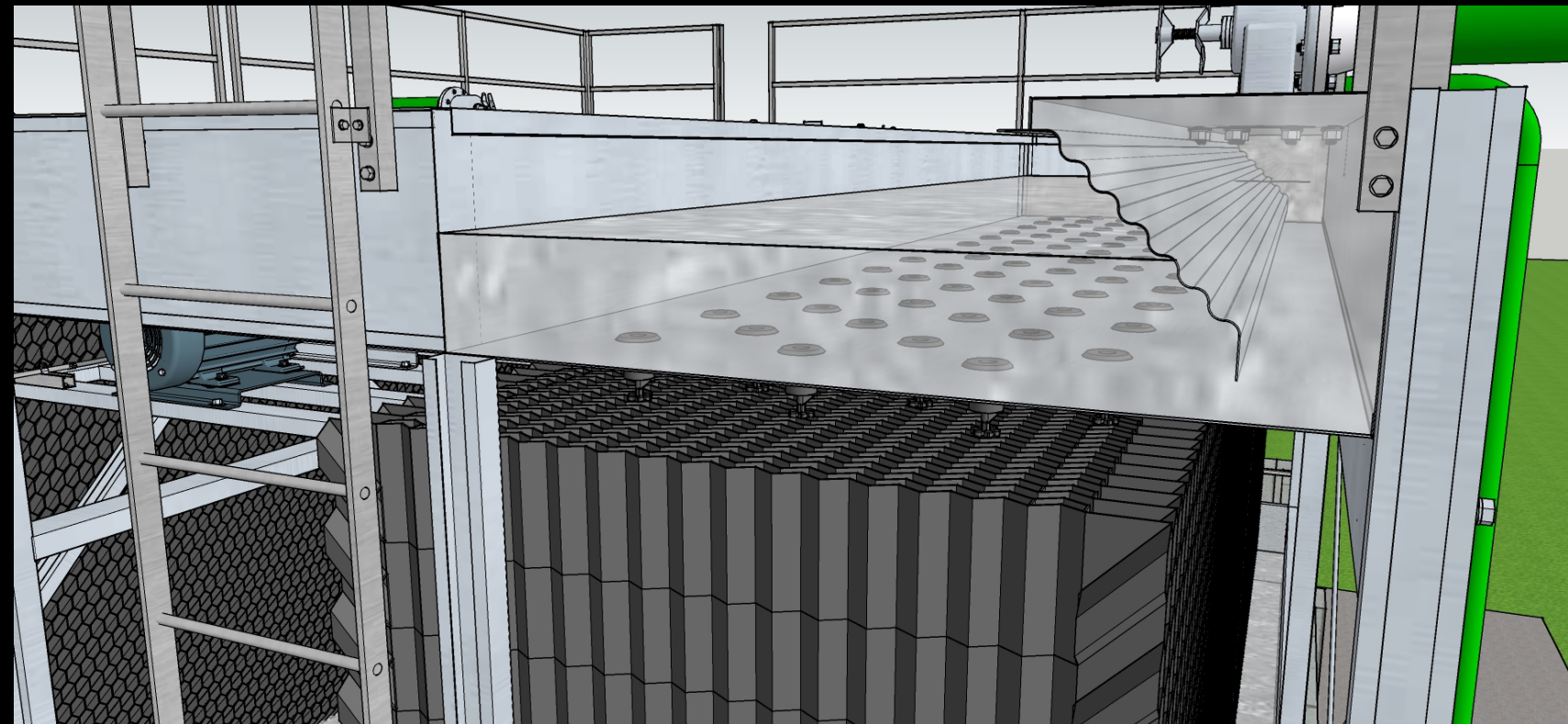
Our discussion

Newtonian physics

Common sense

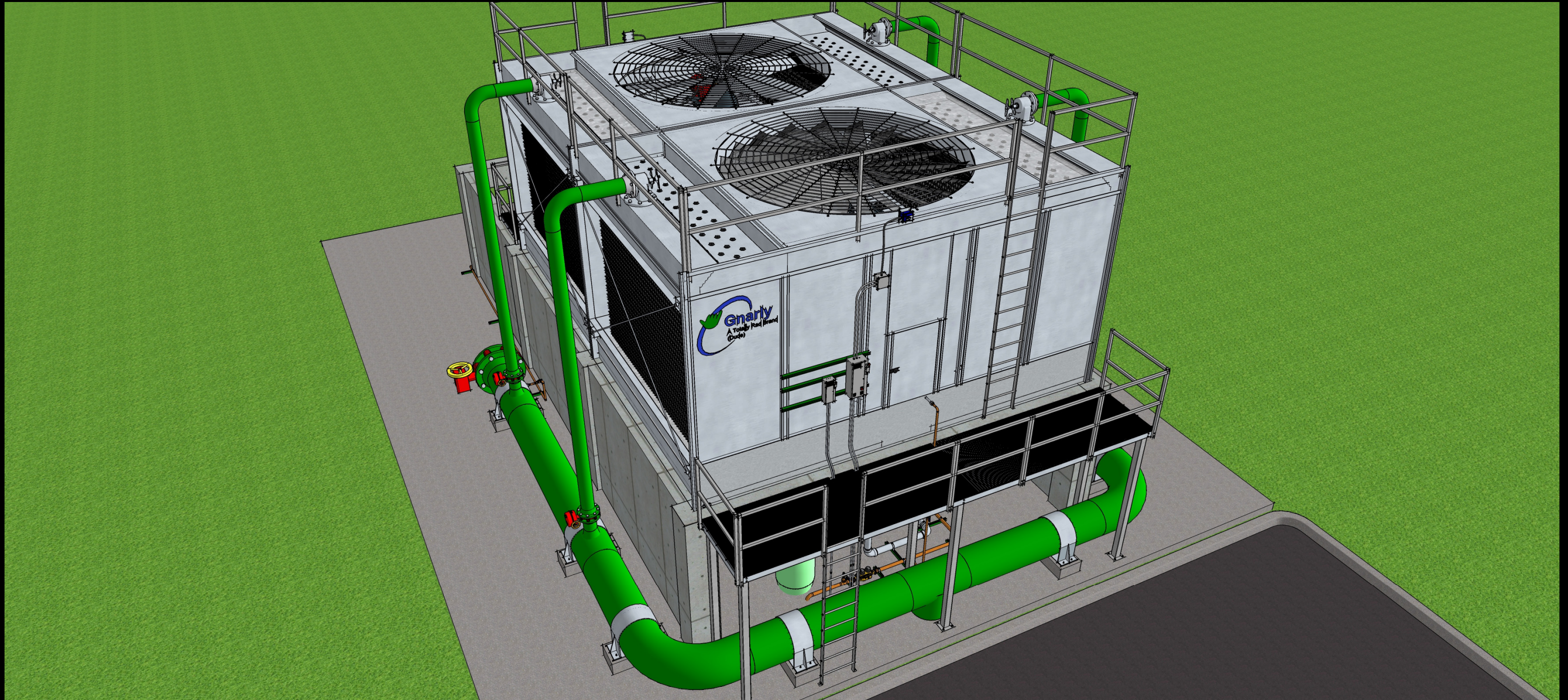
*What factors affect the flow rate through the orifices in the bottom of the hot basin?*

*If the flow rates to all basins where not the same, how could you tell that out in the field?*





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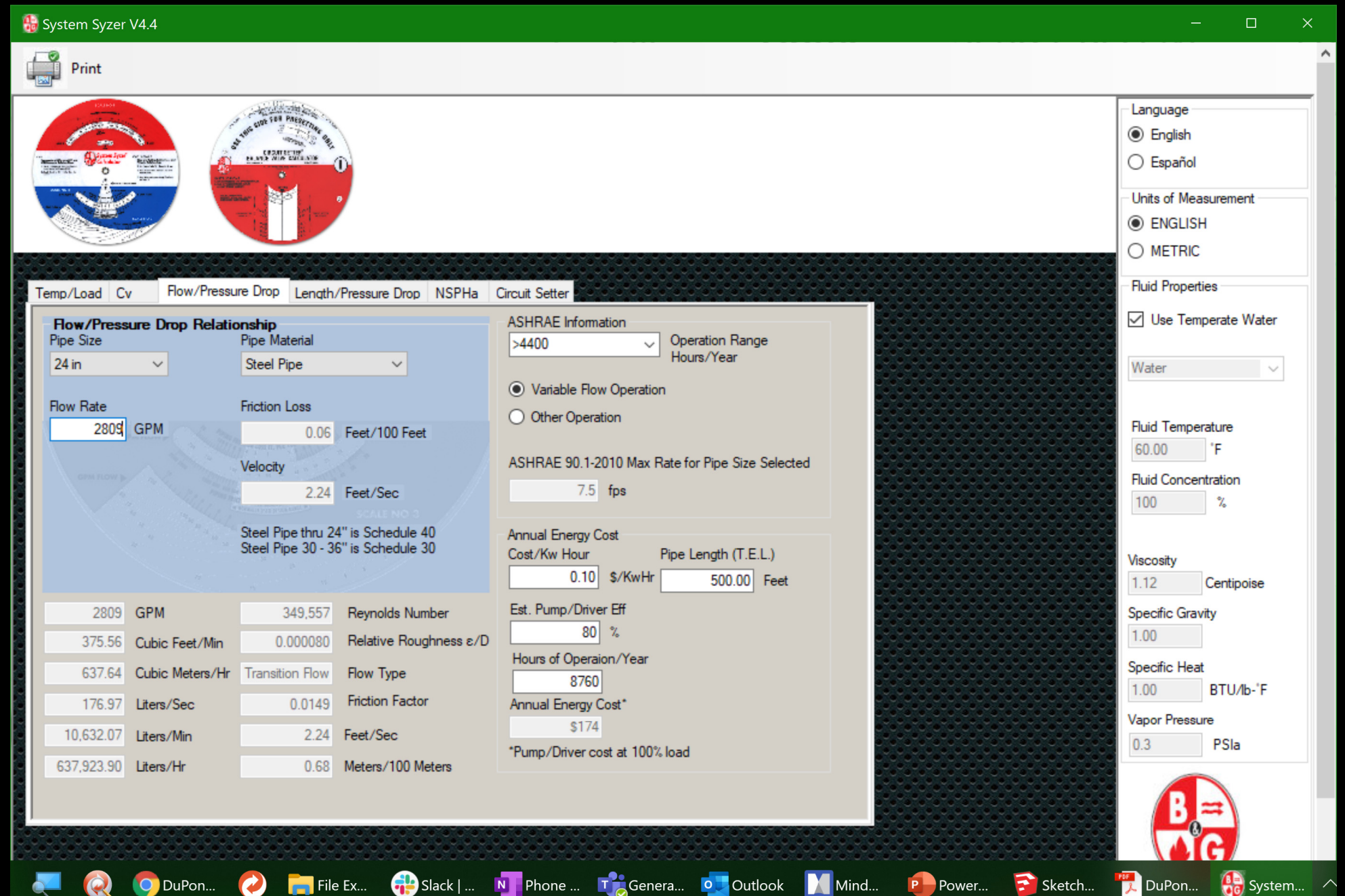
## Given:

## Return header size – 24"

Design Flow Rate (3 cells) =  
2,809 gpm

Distance Between connections  
= 14 ft

*Is there a meaningful difference in pressure between the connection points where the risers to the hot basin connect to the headers?*









# Cooling Towers

Given:

Supply header size – 24"

Design Flow Rate (3 cells) =  
5,619 gpm

Distance Between connections  
= 14 ft

*Is there a meaningful  
difference in pressure between  
the connection points where  
the risers to the cold basin  
connect to the headers?*

System Syzer V4.4

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Language  
☒ English  
☐ Español

Units of Measurement  
☒ ENGLISH  
☐ METRIC

Fluid Properties  
☒ Use Temperate Water  
Water

Fluid Temperature  
60.00 °F

Fluid Concentration  
100 %

Viscosity  
1.12 Centipoise

Specific Gravity  
1.00

Specific Heat  
1.00 BTU/lb-°F

Vapor Pressure  
0.3 PSia

Temp/Load Cv Flow/Pressure Drop Length/Pressure Drop NSPHa Circuit Setter

**Flow/Pressure Drop Relationship**

Pipe Size: 24 in  
Pipe Material: Steel Pipe

Flow Rate: 5619 GPM  
Friction Loss: 0.23 Feet/100 Feet  
Velocity: 4.48 Feet/Sec

Steel Pipe thru 24" is Schedule 40  
Steel Pipe 30 - 36" is Schedule 30

ASHRAE Information  
ASHRAE Information: >4400  
Operation Range Hours/Year:   
☒ Variable Flow Operation  
☐ Other Operation  
ASHRAE 90.1-2010 Max Rate for Pipe Size Selected: 7.5 fps

Annual Energy Cost  
Cost/Kw Hour: 0.10 \$/KwHr  
Pipe Length (T.E.L.): 500.00 Feet

Est. Pump/Driver Eff: 80 %  
Hours of Operation/Year: 8760  
Annual Energy Cost\*: \$1,333  
\*Pump/Driver cost at 100% load

5619	GPM	699,239	Reynolds Number
751.26	Cubic Feet/Min	0.000080	Relative Roughness $\epsilon/D$
1,275.51	Cubic Meters/Hr	Transition Flow	Flow Type
354.00	Liters/Sec	0.0136	Friction Factor
21,267.92	Liters/Min	4.48	Feet/Sec
1,276,074.90	Liters/Hr	1.37	Meters/100 Meters

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Supply header size – 14”

Design Flow Rate (3 cells) =  
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Temp/Load Cv Flow/Pressure Drop Length/Pressure Drop NSPHa Circuit Setter

**Flow/Pressure Drop Relationship**

Pipe Size: 14 in  
Pipe Material: Steel Pipe

Flow Rate: 5619 GPM  
Friction Loss: 3.47 Feet/100 Feet  
Velocity: 13.32 Feet/Sec

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Pipe Length (T.E.L.): 500.00 Feet

Est. Pump/Driver Eff: 80 %  
Hours of Operation/Year: 8760  
Annual Energy Cost\*: \$20,110  
\*Pump/Driver cost at 100% load

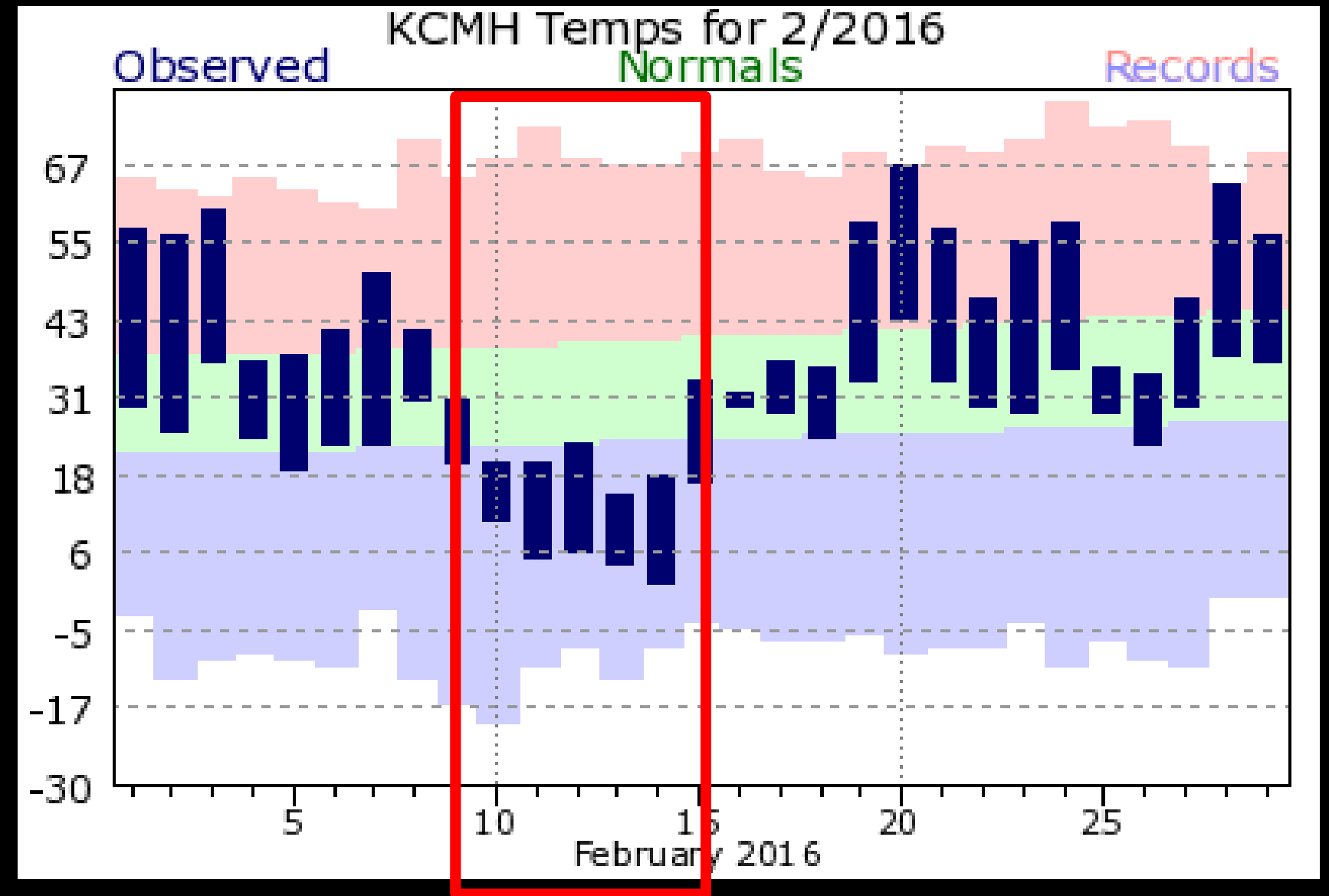
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# Bonus – Free Cooling Cycles



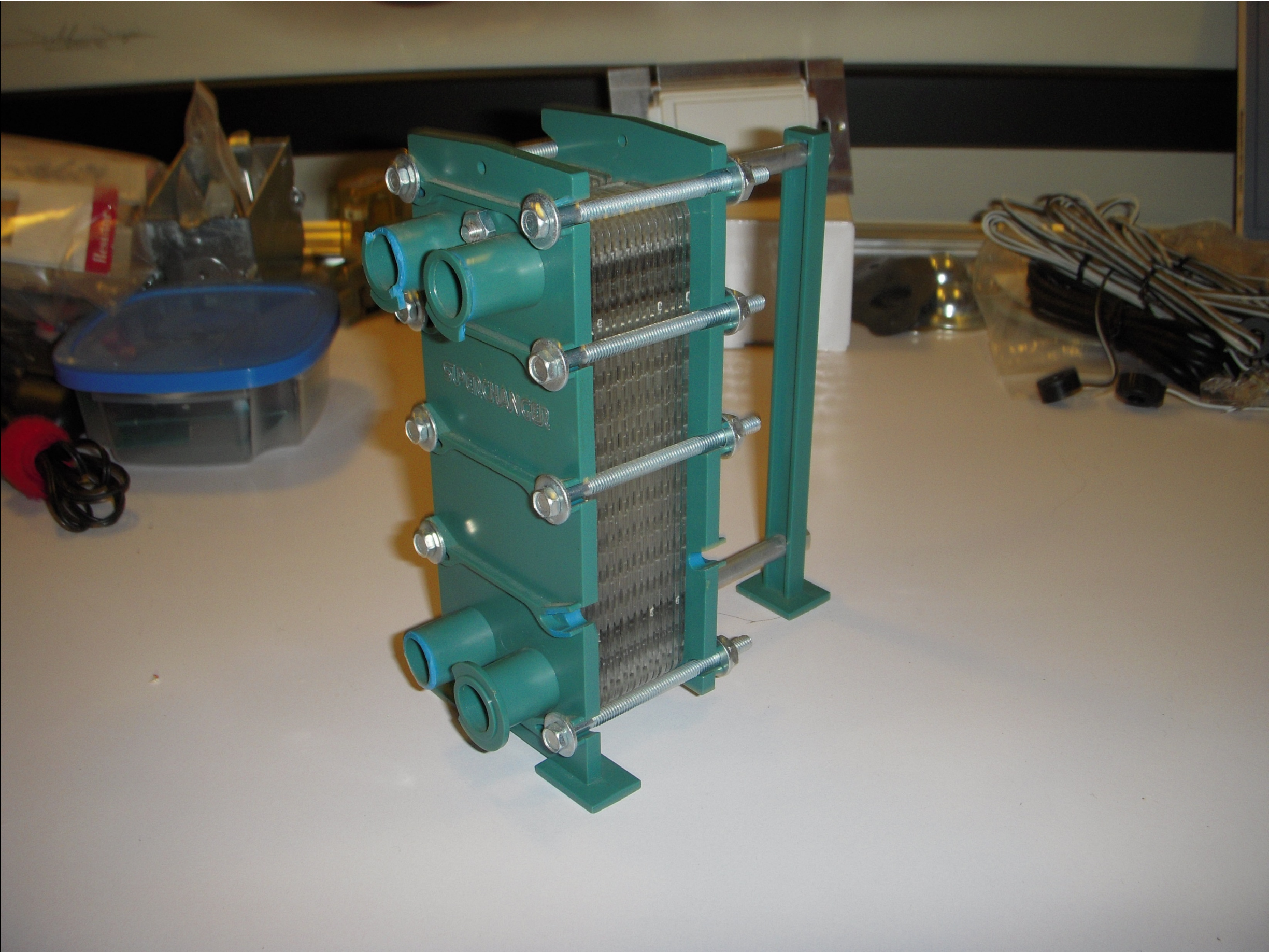
# Just Because It's Free Doesn't Mean You Should Use It



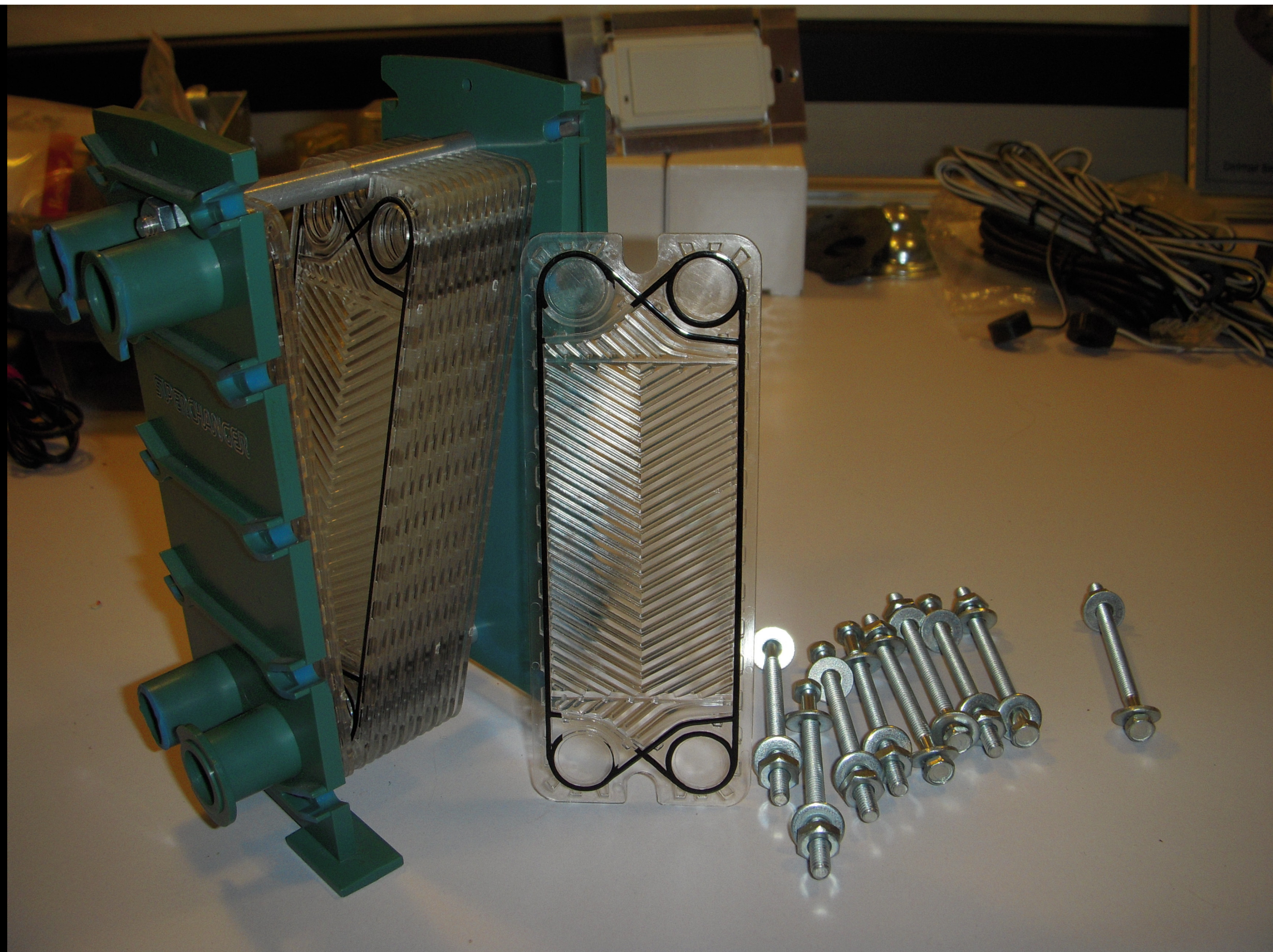


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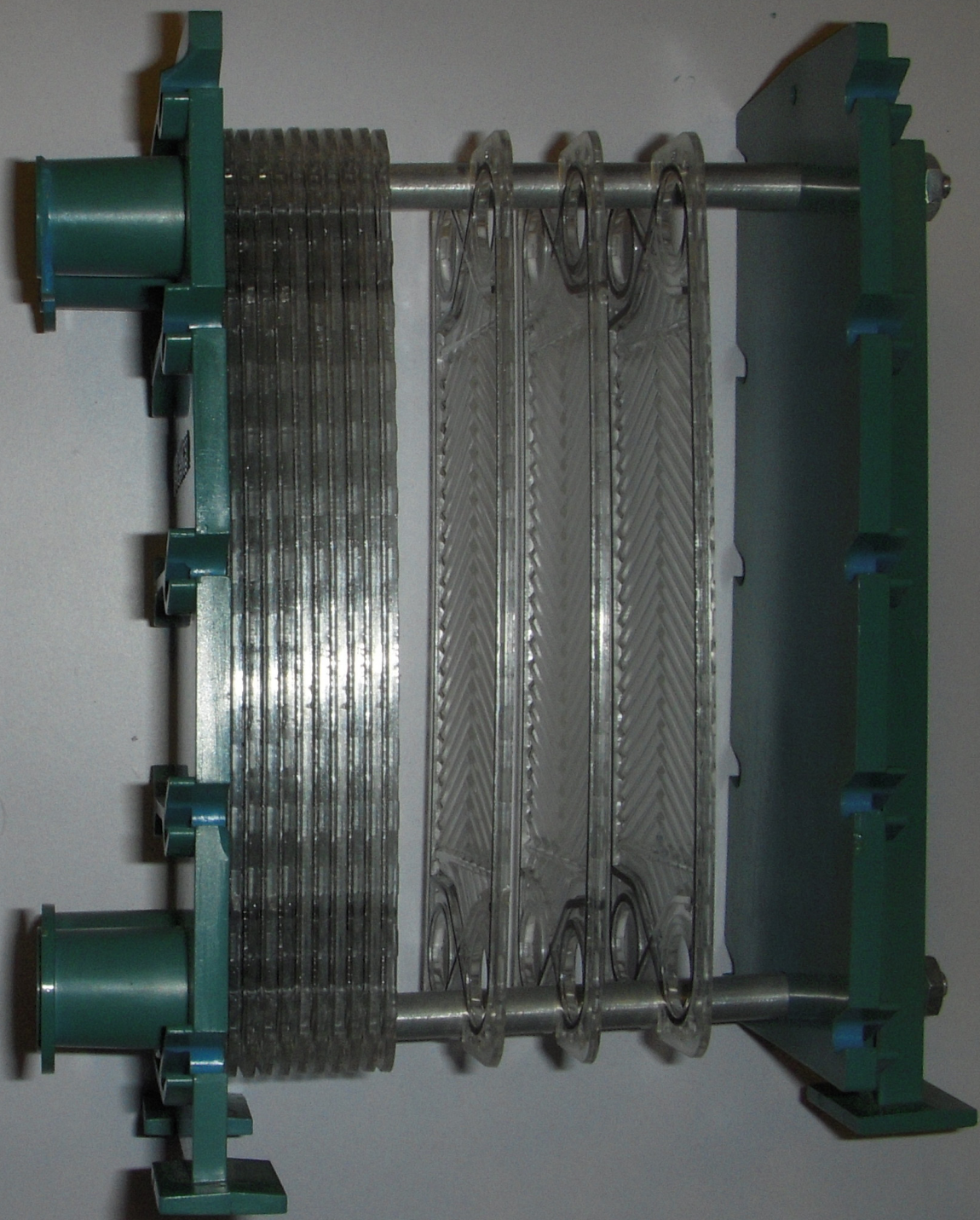




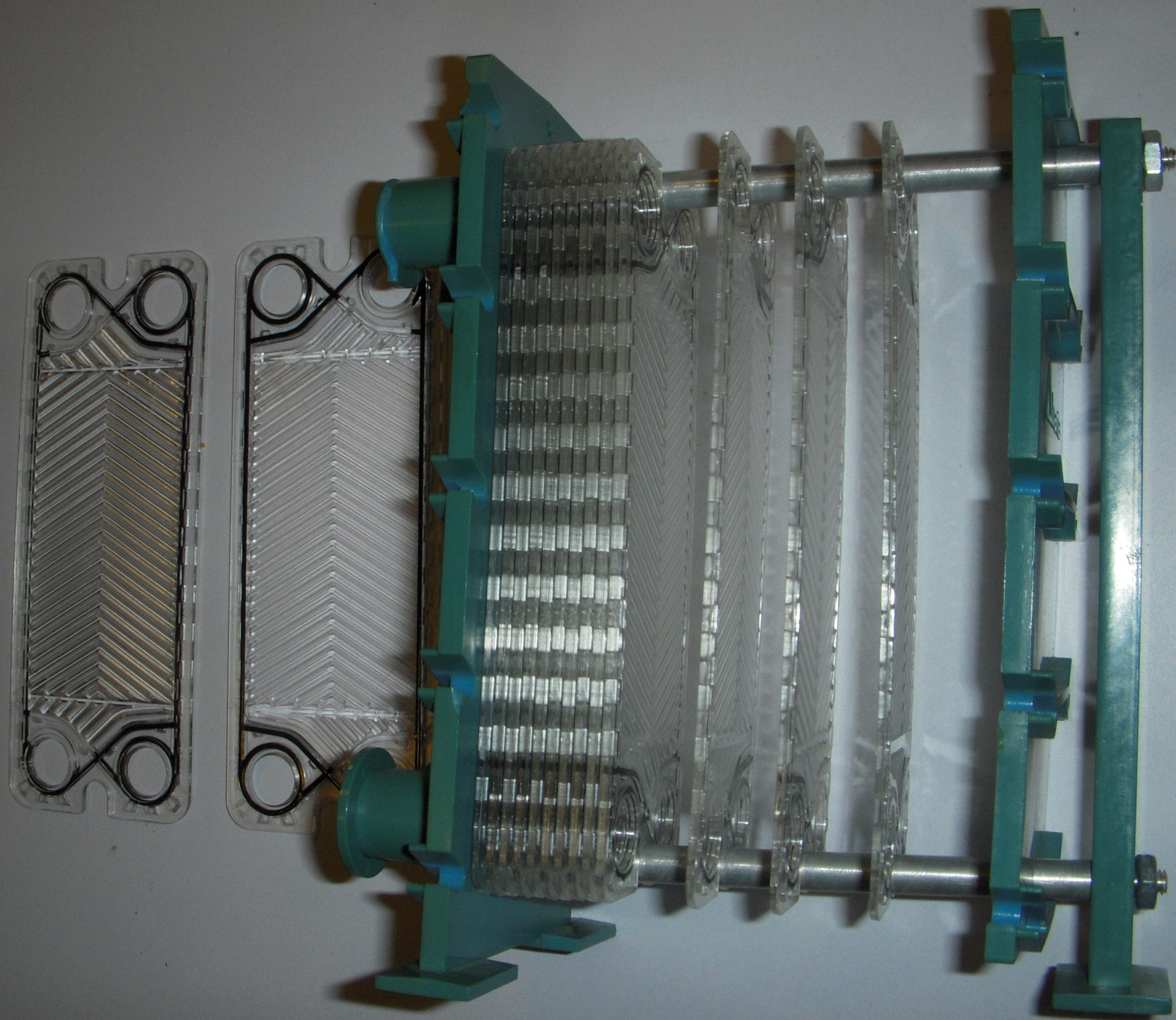


















# Plate and Frame vs. Shell and Tube



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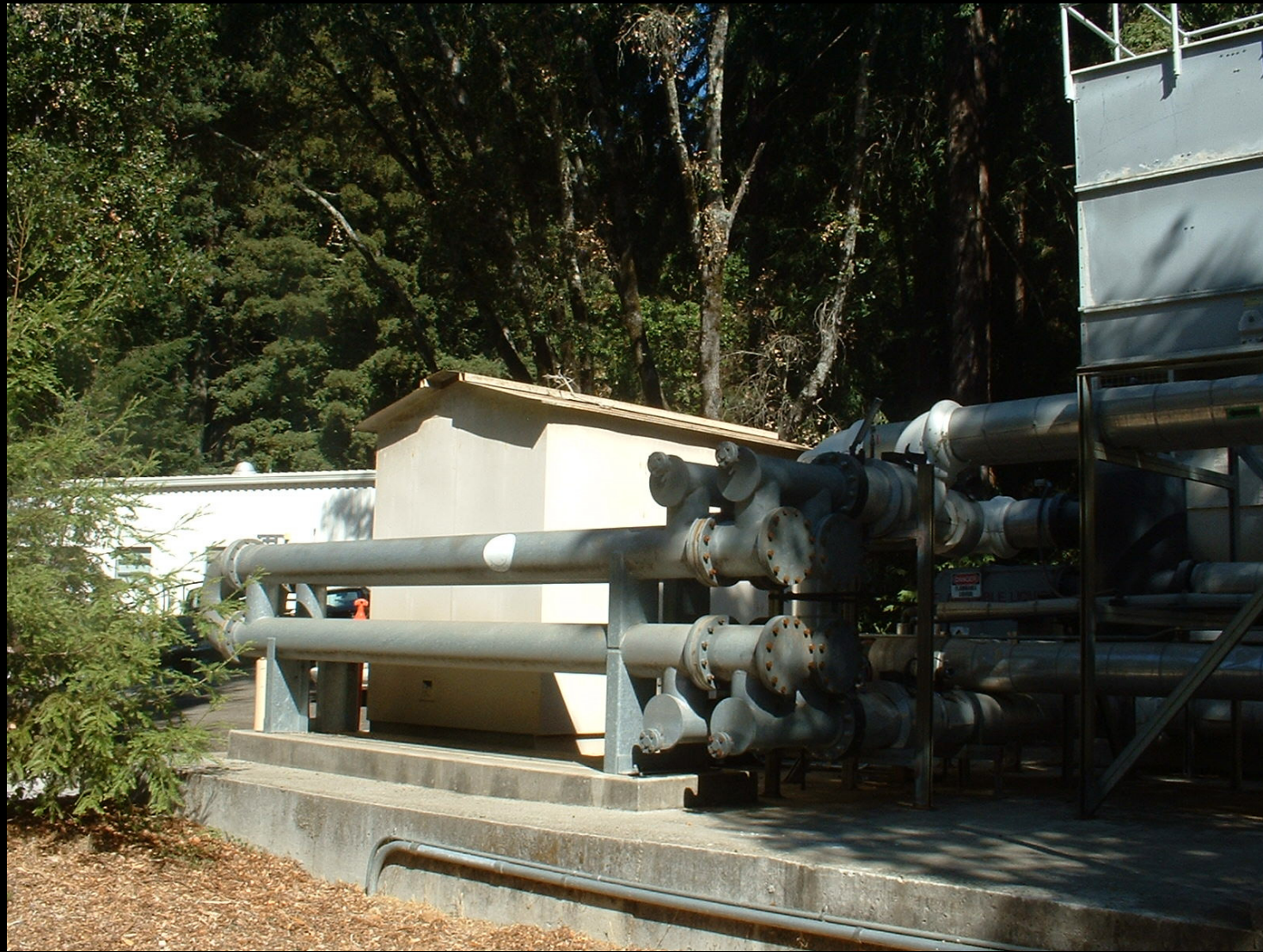


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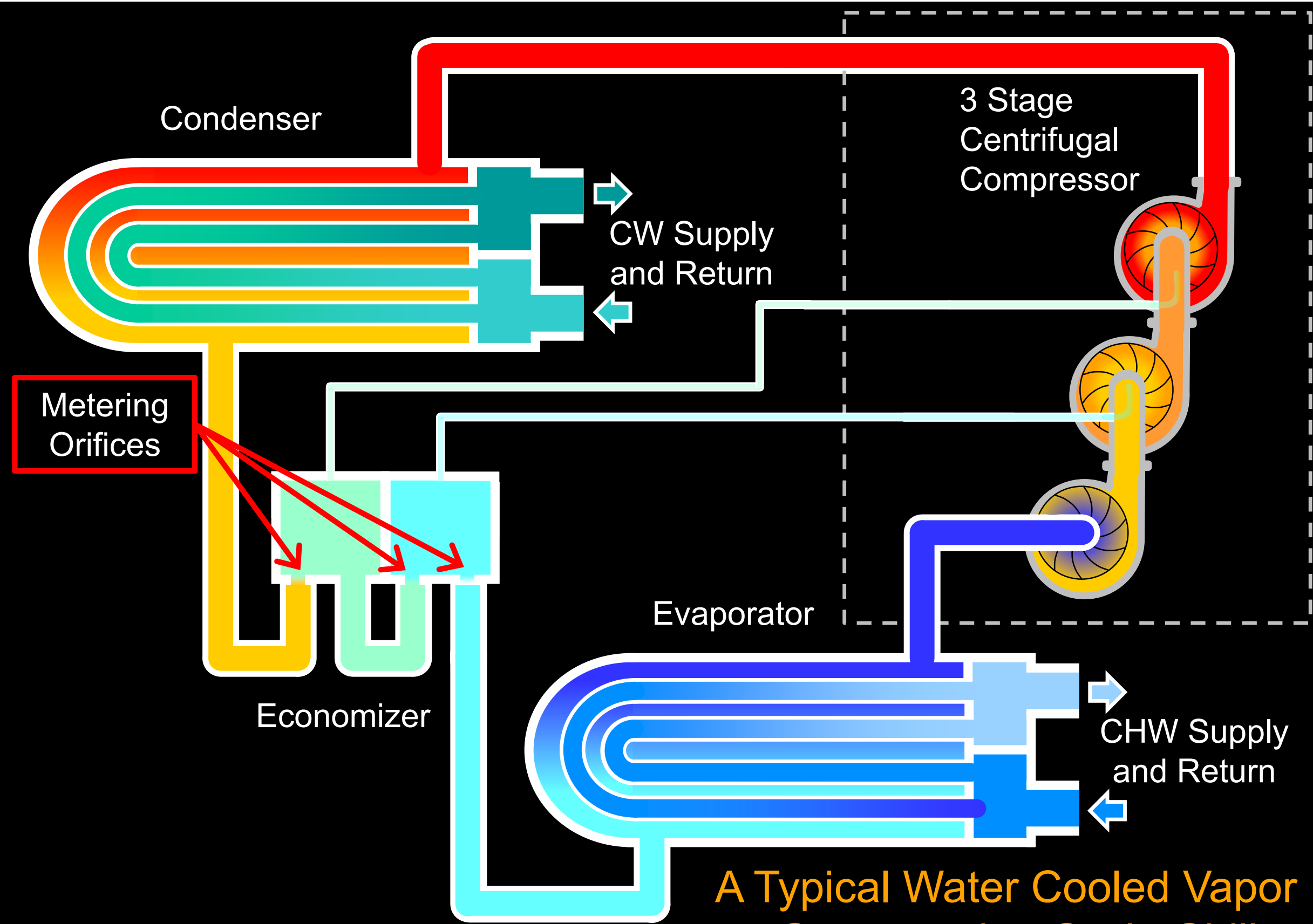
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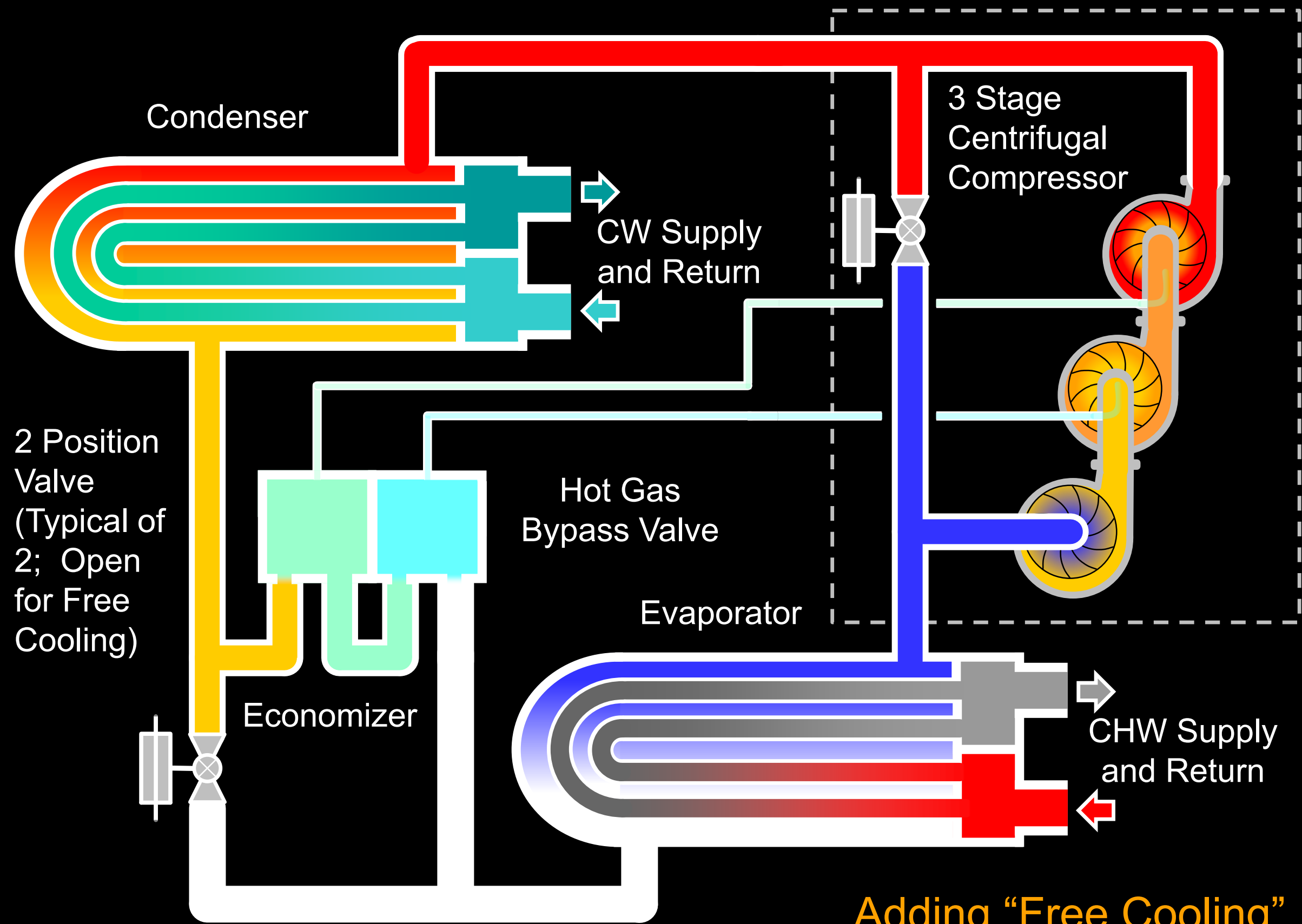
# Chiller Based Free Cooling Cycle





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Adding "Free Cooling"



