



# Senior Design Team 509

## Environment-Controlled Test Stand Chamber

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# Team Introductions



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# Objective

*The objective of this project is to design and construct a temperature and humidity-controlled testing chamber for the TT and TG models of Danfoss TurboCor Compressors.*

# Project Recap



# Danfoss Turbocor Compressors



Refrigerant:  
HFC134a

## TT Model

- Can operate under standard water cooled and low lift chiller operation or at high lift for air cooled or heat recovery operation
- 788mm x 518mm x 487mm
- Capacity ranging from 60 tons/200 kW to 200 tons/700 kW



Refrigerant:  
HFO-1234ze

## TG Model

- Can operate under standard water cooled and low lift chiller operation or at high lift for air cooled or heat recovery operation
- 788mm x 518mm x 487mm
- Capacity ranging from 40 tons/140 kW to 150 tons/540 kW

# Project Scope

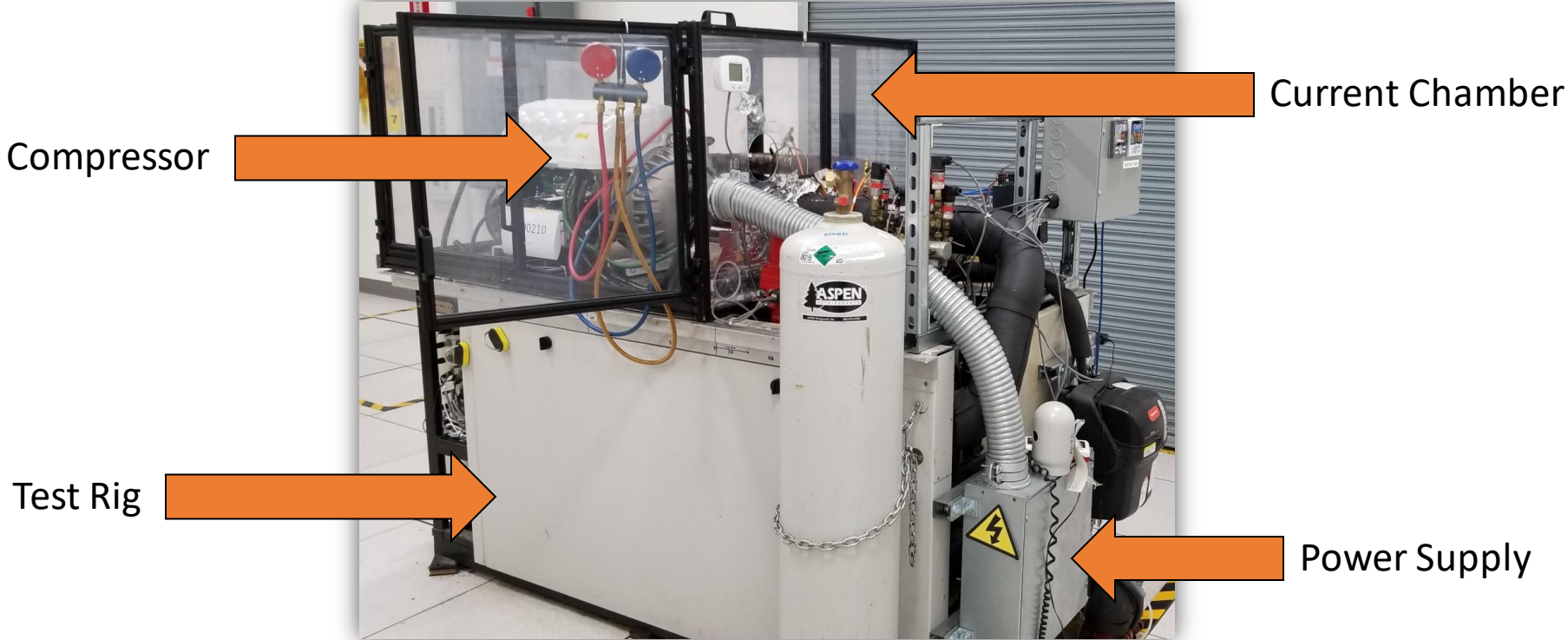
## Goals

- Achieve a temperature range of 16 to 55°C (adjusted)
- Maintain a reasonable humidity range (10 to 90%)
- Keep lab personnel safe throughout the testing procedure
- Easy to assemble and disassemble

## Assumptions

- Dimensions of compressors being tested inside the chamber are constant
- Device will be used inside a Danfoss facility
- Power comes from the testing rig
- The chamber will sit atop the rig
- The College of Engineering will provide some machining services

# The Current Chamber





# Our Design

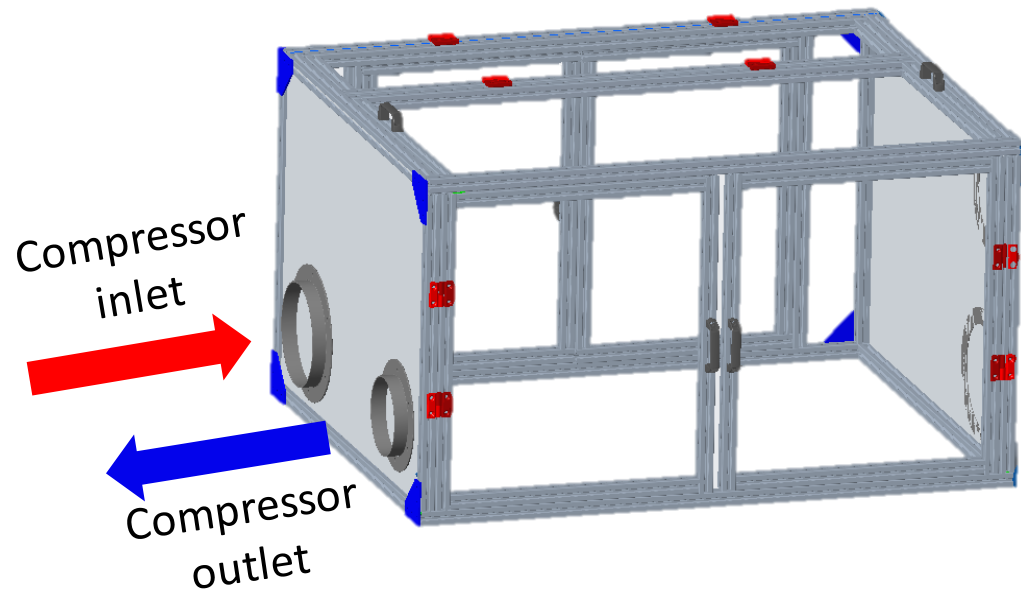


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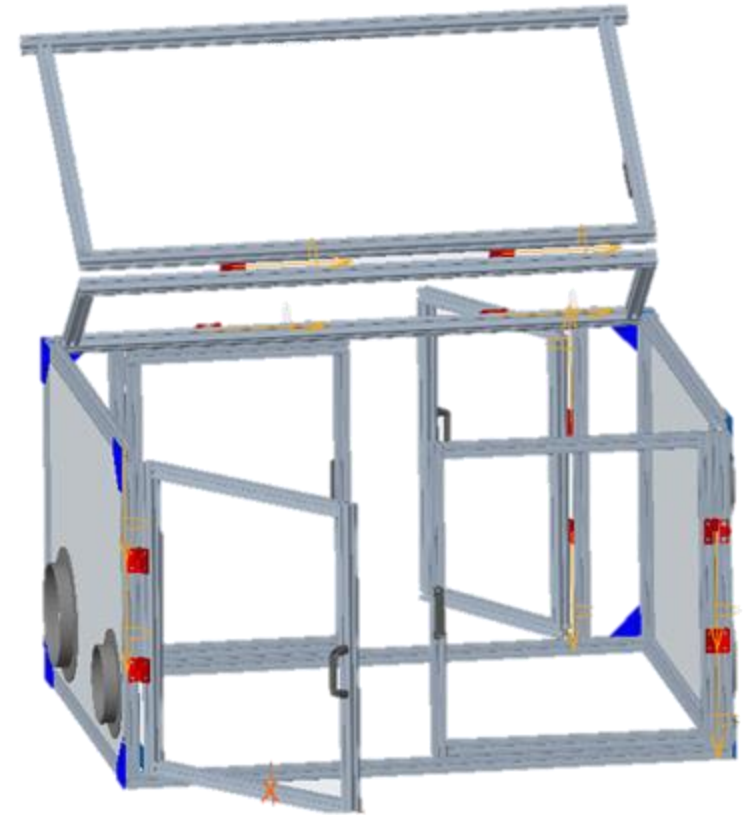
Hinges

Brackets



Roof folds back  
all the way with  
 $270^\circ$  range of  
motion

Doors open  $180^\circ$

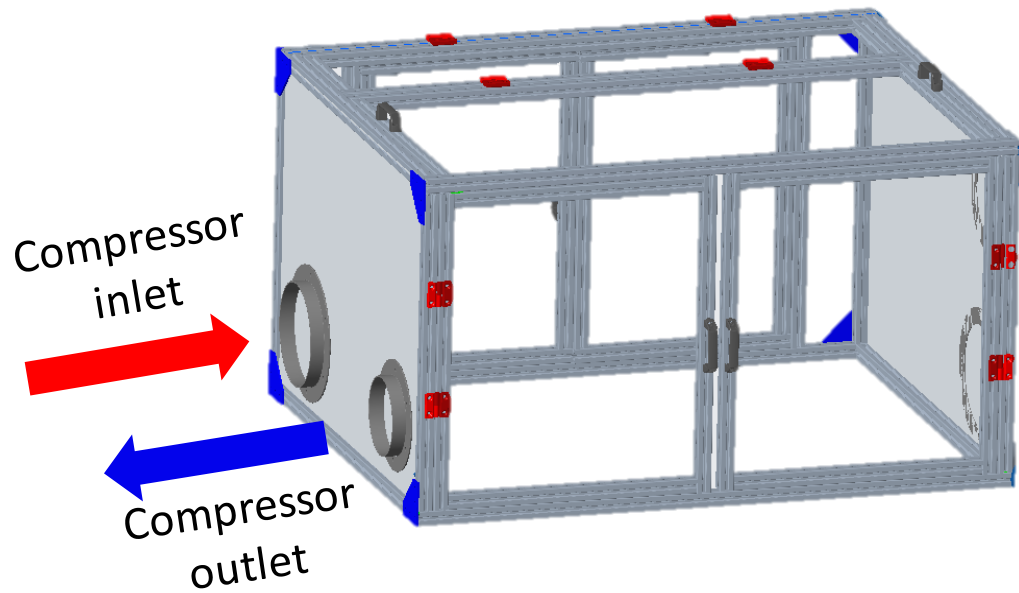


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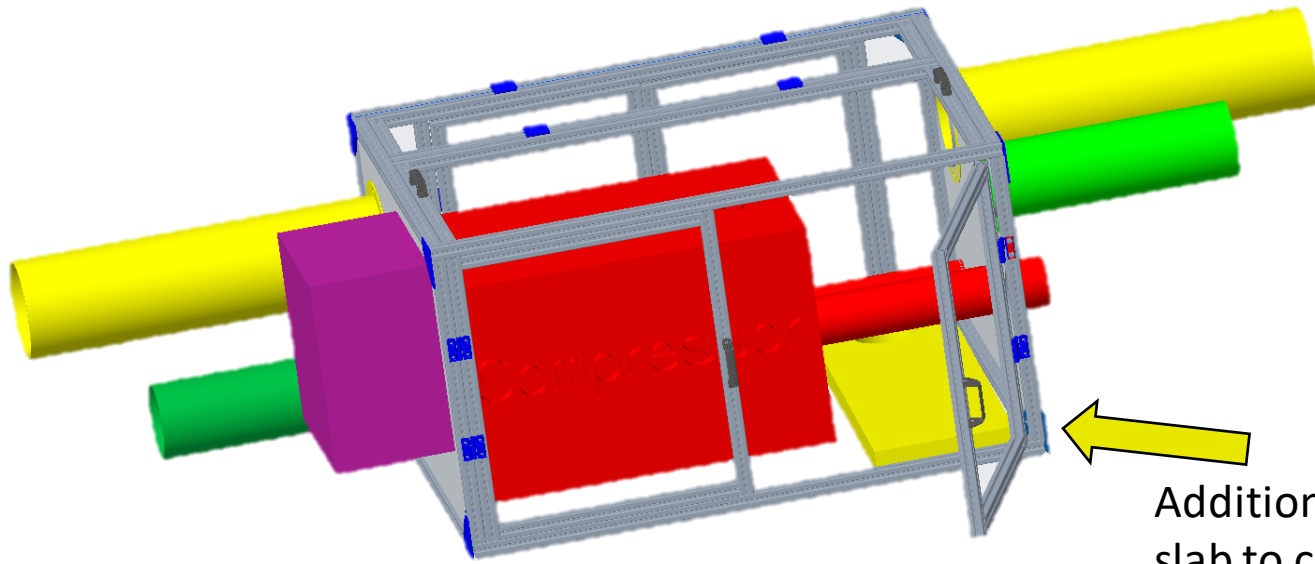


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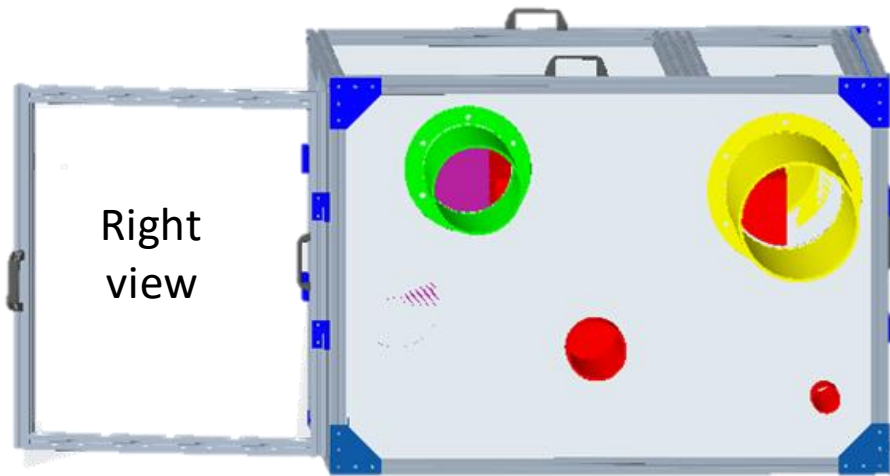
Allows better access  
for both the crane  
and operator



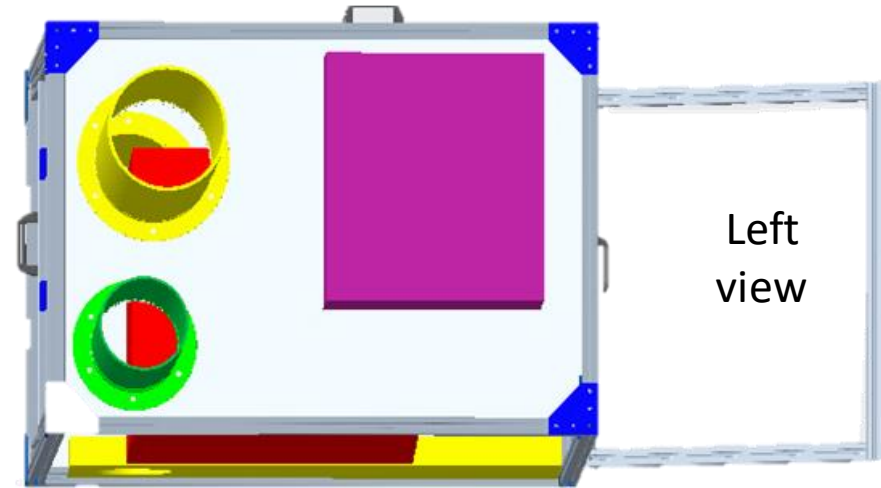


Additional metal slab to cover gap below chamber

- Compressor
- Humidifier
- AC Inlet and outlet
- Dehumidifier inlet and outlet



Right view



Left view

# Our Systems

1. Air Conditioning Unit

2. Heating Element

3. Humidifier

4. Dehumidifier

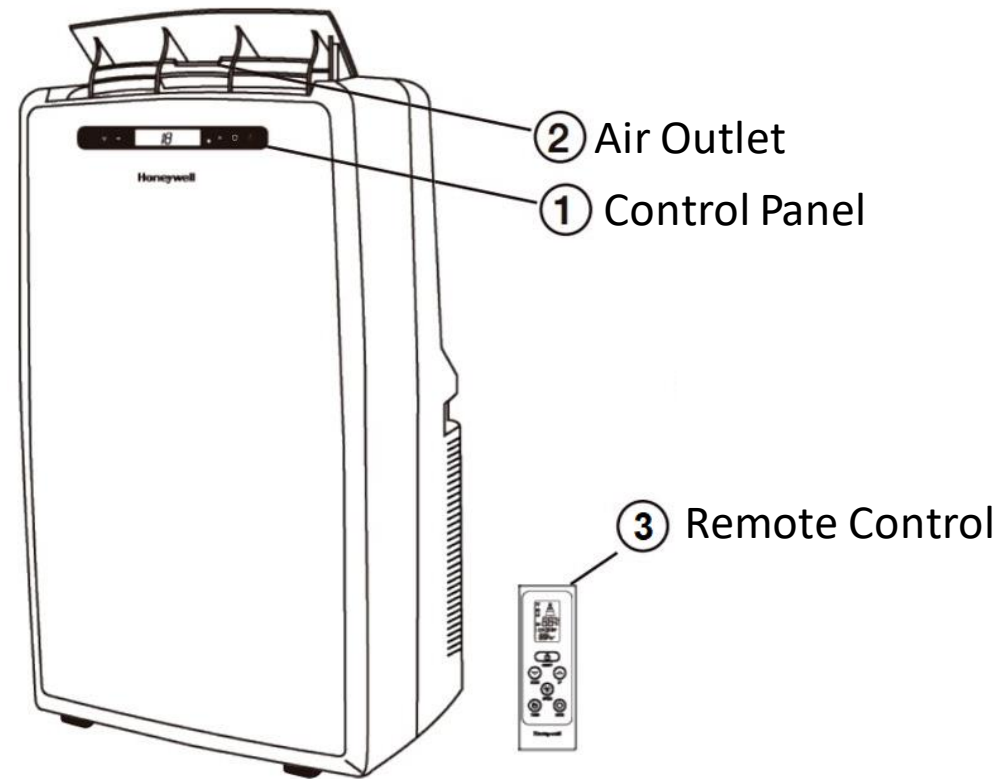
# Honeywell Air Conditioner

**\$659.95**

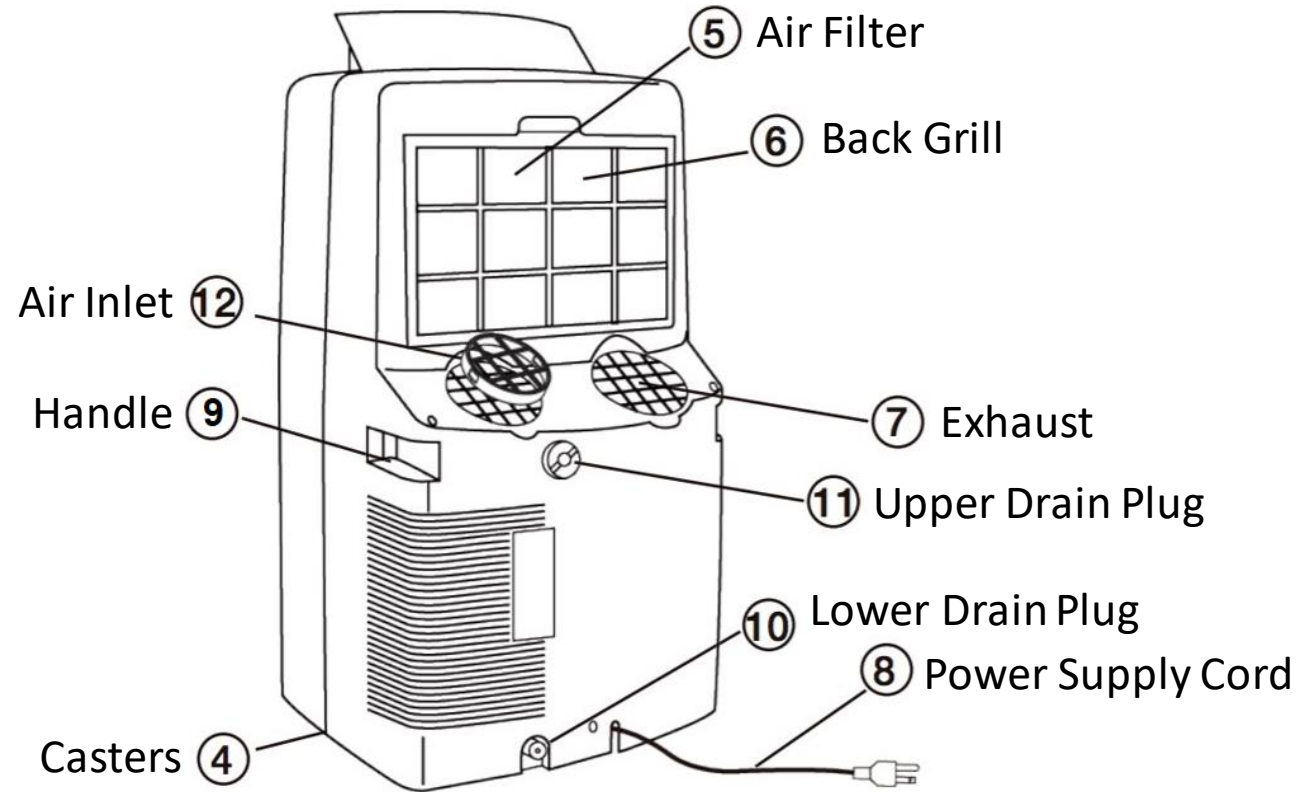
- 14,000 BTU cooling capacity
  - Calculated 4500 BTU needed for cooling
  - Exceeds cooling capacity requirements by a factor of 3
  - Cools chamber in ~10 minutes, exceeding the max cooling requirement of 30 minutes
- Four modes:
  - Cooling Mode
  - Heating Mode (Max temperature of 26°C)
  - Fan-Only Mode
  - Dehumidifier Mode (up to 90 pints a day)



# Honeywell Air Conditioner Front View



# Honeywell Air Conditioner Back View





# HE200 TrueEASE 17 Gallon Basic Bypass Evaporative Humidifier

**\$365.64**

- 17 gallons/day capacity
- ¼" water supply line
- Compatible with Honeywell humidistat controller



# Honeywell Pint Dehumidifier With Built in Drain Pump

**\$339.95**

- 70 pints/day dehumidifying capacity
- Built-in auto-drain pump
- 182 CFM
- Built-in humidistat control system



# HumidiPRO Digital Humidistat Controller

**\$60.89**

- Our current solution for humidity control
- Manual humidification control
- Manual dehumidification control
- Adjustable high and low range stops (10-90%)
- Compatible with the selected Honeywell humidifier and dehumidifier



# Temperature Control System

- Need to first integrate the AC/heating unit with the additional heater
- Need to select from 3 different types of sensors
  - Pt sensor
  - Thermocouple
  - Thermistor
- We are currently working to find the best solution for a central control system, incorporating both temperature and humidity elements

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5. We plan to select the additional heater and dehumidifier in order to have all ordering completed by the end of the month.

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# Questions?

