

# DSG-NPS R&D Meeting Minutes

**Date: February 14, 2023**

**Time: 02:00PM – 02:15PM**

*Attendees: Mary Ann Antonioli, Peter Bonneau, Aaron Brown, Pablo Campero, Brian Eng, George Jacobs, Tyler Lemon, and Marc McMullen*

## 1. Thermal readback

*Mary Ann Antonioli, Peter Bonneau, Aaron Brown, Pablo Campero, and Tyler Lemon*

1. LabVIEW 2020 wasn't set up properly on the development computer; unable to add real-time modules to project
  - Attempted to add NI-9485 solid state relay module to project to control remote power controllers (RPCs) for chillers
  - Able to access module from different computer with LabVIEW 2022, but not the development computer, which uses LabVIEW 2020
  - Downloading LabVIEW 2022 to development computer to try to resolve issue

## 2. Hardware

*Aaron Brown and Marc McMullen*

1. Started setting up the RPCs for the chillers
2. Attempting to view voltage of K-type thermocouples to test if 60-ft extension cables attenuates the voltage signal ( $40 \mu\text{V}$  for every  $1^\circ\text{C}$ ) from the thermocouples
  - Will make new project or VI and attempt to read just the DC voltage with and without the extension cables

## 3. High voltage controls

*Aaron Brown*

1. Debugging high voltage settings Python program
  - Some channels return a Channel Access warning when the command to set a parameter is sent, even if the channel is set to the new value
  - Implemented a wait time of 0.25 s after each command; did not resolve problem
  - Trying to force the set command by repeatedly checking the set value against the input value and resending the set command
    - Will check Pyepics documentation to see if there is another way to access PVs that may be more reliable

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CA.Client.Exception.....
Warning: "Channel write request failed"
Context: "op=1, channel=hchv20:00:008:V0Set, type=DBR_DOUBLE, count=1, ctx="hchv20:00:008:V0Set"
Source File: c:\jenkins\win64-2\workspace\epics-base-3.15-win64\src\ca\client\oldchannelnotify.cpp line 160
Current Time: Tue Feb 14 2023 11:55:00.596785414
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The set voltage for hchv20:00:008:V0Set is 6.0
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The set voltage for hchv20:00:014:V0Set is 5.0
False
K = 0 for hchv20:00:014:V0Set
K NOW = 0 for hchv20:00:014:V0Set
K NOW = 1 for hchv20:00:014:V0Set
K NOW = 2 for hchv20:00:014:V0Set
K NOW = 3 for hchv20:00:014:V0Set
K NOW = 4 for hchv20:00:014:V0Set
K NOW = 5 for hchv20:00:014:V0Set
False
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