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Dear President Koroivulaono,

Season's greetings from me and my staff to you and yours!

I trust that this letter finds you in good health and spirit during this holiday season.

I wish to inform you that the Department has received a generous donation of training materials/pods from the Air conditioning and Refrigeration Equipment Manufacturers Association (AREMA) and the Australia Industry in September 2023. The purpose of the pods is to assist in training our technicians in the Refrigeration and Air Conditioning (RAC) Industry in FSM. Given that our RAC Master Trainer for the National Ozone Unit (NOU), Mr. Bertoldo Esteban Jr, is based at the college, these training pods have been placed in the COM-CTEC Refrigeration workshop where they will be utilized during trainings. Not only will they benefit the technicians but also support students that are currently enrolled or will enroll in RAC courses at the college in the coming years.

With the existing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the College and DECEM, our efforts for collaboration remains through the opportunities and available resources necessary to build the capacity of the RAC sector. May our partnership continue to strengthen so that FSM continues to meet and deliver our obligations under the Montreal Protocol.

Attached are images of the training pods for your ease of reference. These will be assembled by our Master trainer/ Instructor Esteban and utilized during trainings/workshops and in his courses if needed.

Should there be any further inquiries, please do not hesitate to contact us at $\underline{fsmozone8814@gmail.com}$ or $\underline{natasha.nakasone@decem.gov.fm}$.

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Sincerely

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