

A woman with her hair in braids, wearing a VR headset and a light-colored blazer, is interacting with a futuristic, semi-transparent digital interface. The interface displays various data visualizations, including a 3D wireframe model of a mechanical component, a line graph with a y-axis from 0 to 10, a circular gauge showing 59%, and a 'POWER Load' section with a bar chart and another 59% gauge. The background is a blurred blue-toned environment.

# Digitally connected solutions for empowering the modern Navy

## The Connected Maintainer Environment

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# Trey Taylor

## Credentials

- 20 years experience building software experiences
- 15 years experience in Maritime and Power Generation
- Leads FMD's digital solutions product development group
- Technology advisor, innovator, strategist and SME

## Field Expertise

- Software development
- Data analytics & AI
- Business intelligence
- Technology introduction
- Digital media
- Extended Reality
- Robotics



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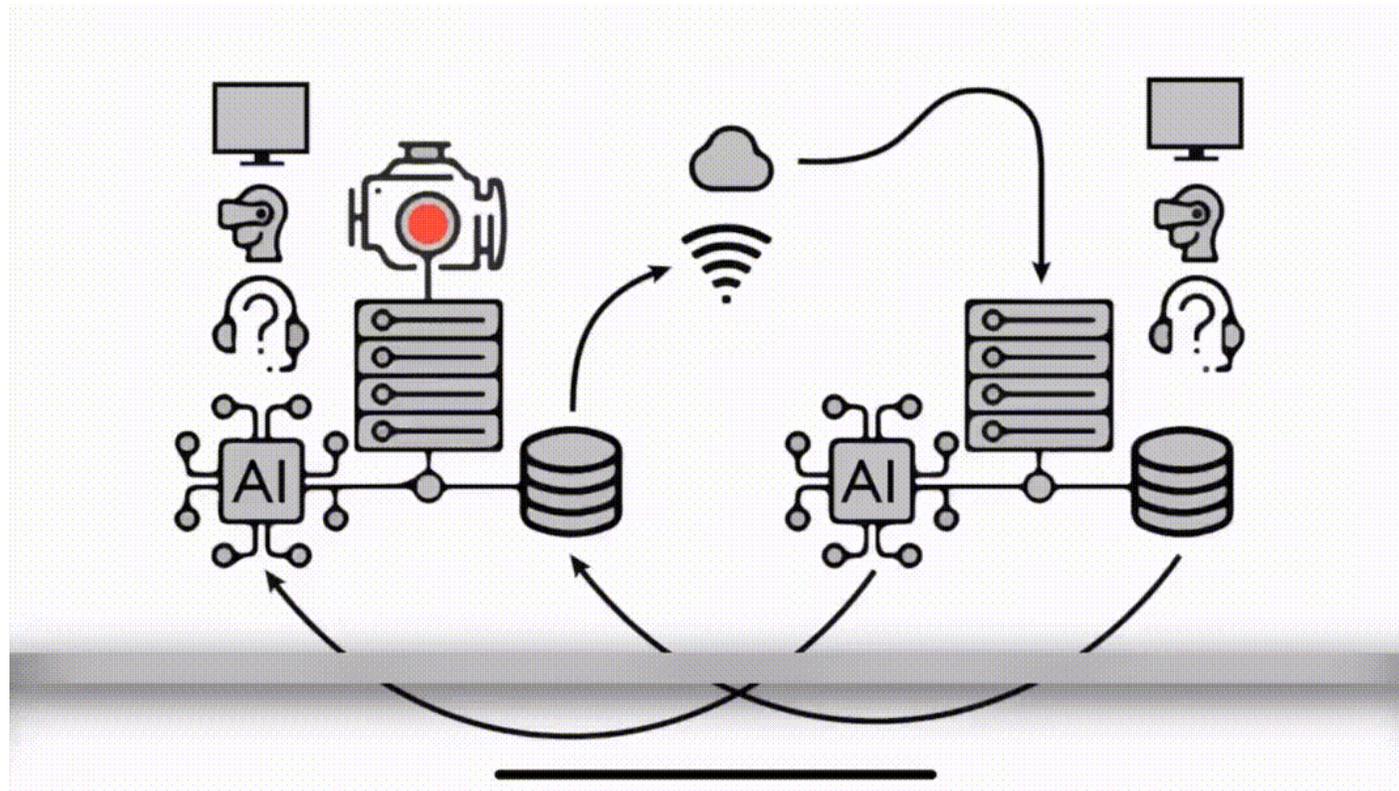
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# Problem Statement

- Navy Challenges
  - Complex assets and systems
  - Retaining qualified technical staff
  - Secure data systems
  - Need for remote support and asset management
  - Reliable data for decision making and planning
  - Siloed systems for data acquisition and health monitoring
  - Technical oversight
  - Uncrewed mission support

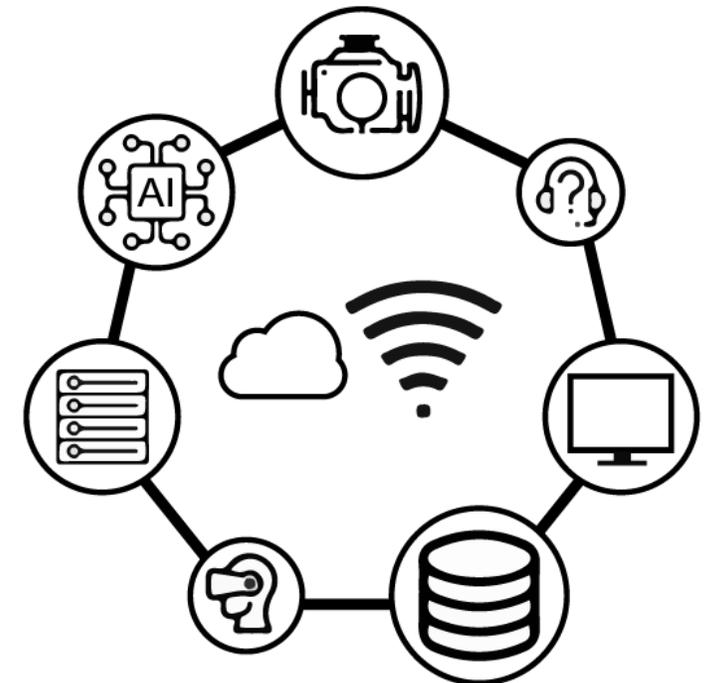
# Introduction to Connected Maintainer Environment (CME)

A digitally augmented machinery space comprised of capital equipment, control systems, automation equipment, data acquisition systems, predictive maintenance software, and extended reality (XR) interfaces to support operators and maintainers.



# The Functional Areas of a Connected Maintainer Environment

- On-premise ingest and historian
- AI/ML algorithms, prognostic calculations, and predictive health monitoring
- Updatable database of standard work packages
- “Media” Work packages
- MR – Augment Reality, Virtual Reality instructions
- On-demand insights across a class and/or fleet of vessels
- Secure communication capability
- External aggregation services
- Automated systems
- Central repository publishing tools
- Microservices



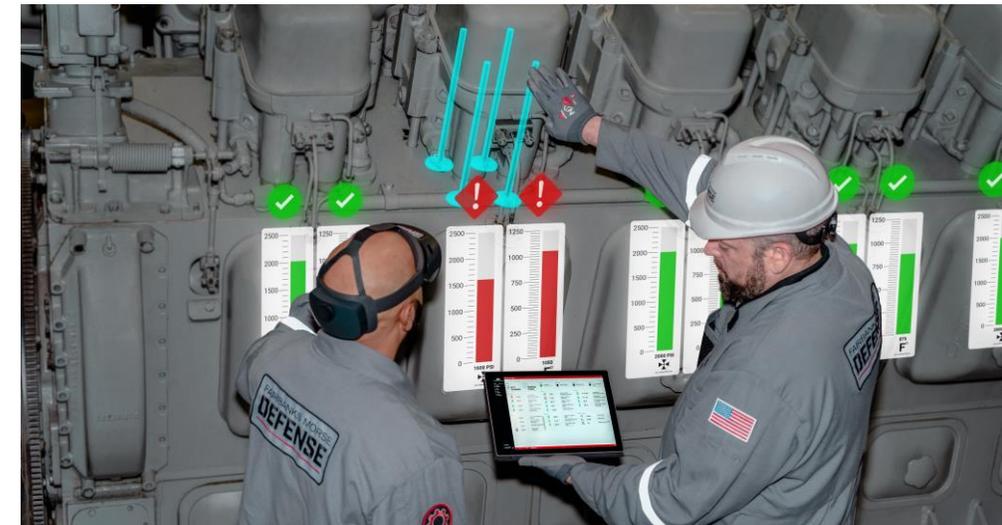
## Primary Benefits

- Instantly leverage remote expertise
- Reduce mobilizations and travel costs
- Optional private and secure connectivity with LiFi
- Increase operational availability (Ao)
- Improve first time fix rate
- Train personnel remotely in an intuitive augmented reality environment
- Workforce multiplication by leveraging senior personnel's expertise

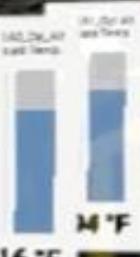
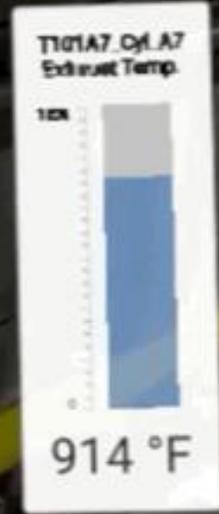
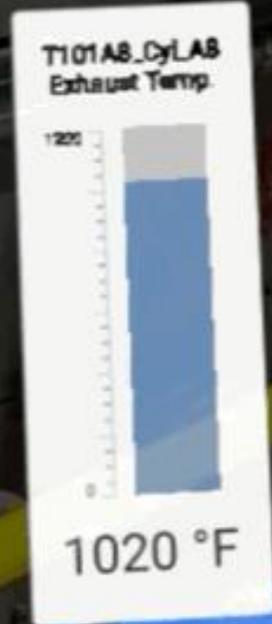


## Secondary Benefits

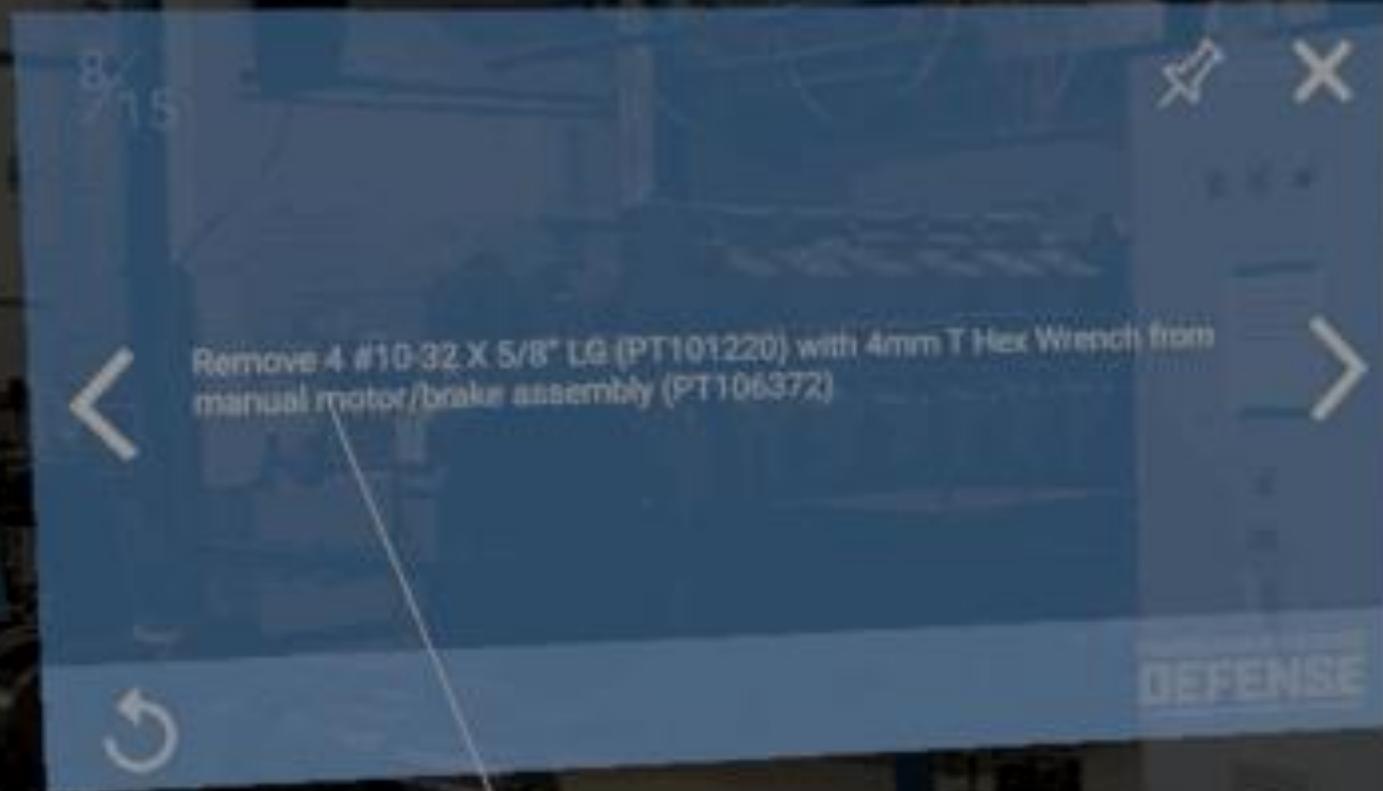
- Equipment life statistics
- Training and staffing resource evaluation
- Data mining provides insight for the SIOP process and future platform development
- Consumption data for depots, Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), and fleet management
  - Material acquisition
  - Demand planning for the industrial base
  - Yard planning resources



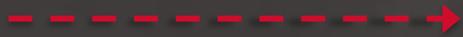
# Machine Monitoring



# Work Instructions



**ISSUES**  
(Machine Monitoring)



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**RESULTS**  
(Training & Fixing)

# Training Content

- Full systems and sub assembly
  - A-School lessons/familiarity
  - CG Academy lessons/Student Engineer training
- Simulated casualties
  - Run simulations in Augmented Reality with no risk to personnel or equipment
- Mixed reality training mixes physical and digital assets
  - Mount internal components on real assets
  - Pre-arrival training/familiarization with assets



## Connected Maintainer Environment in Practice

- ✓ AI identifies possible valve lash issue
- ✓ XR and PC based software alerted
- ✓ Historic data provided
- ✓ Work instruction offered for repair
- ✓ Worksteps followed
- ✓ Technician requests remote support
- ✓ Additional information provided
- ✓ OQE's captured in repair process
- ✓ AI Validates repair on restart



# Risk Mitigation

## Security

Device  
Software  
Comms

- UIDs at the hardware level
- Signed software
- Li/Fi and private 5G networks

## XR Devices

Computing Power  
Field of View  
Secure Comms

- 3Gen devices improving
- Alternatives to wave guide
- Multiple network drivers

## Data

Proprietary Data Systems  
Legacy systems

- Standard historians
- Standalone sensors

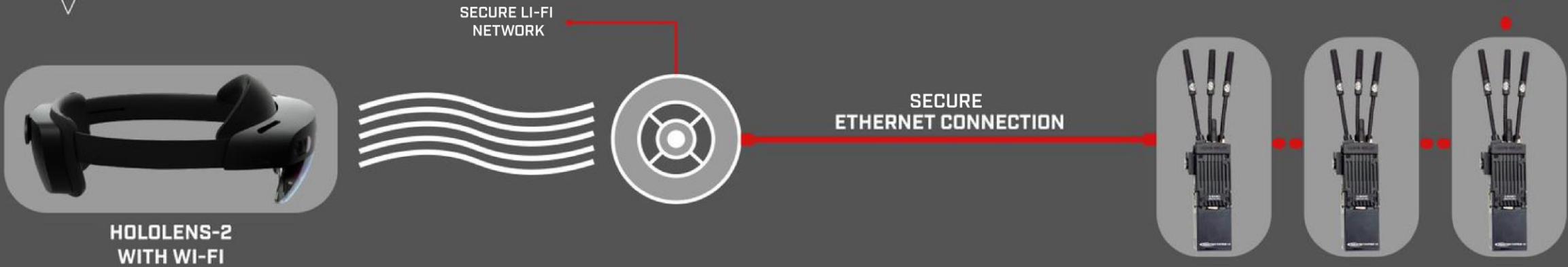
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LiFi Uplink/Downlink

LiFi Uplink/Downlink

POE + 12 Port Switch

MS Hololens + Halo



PLC

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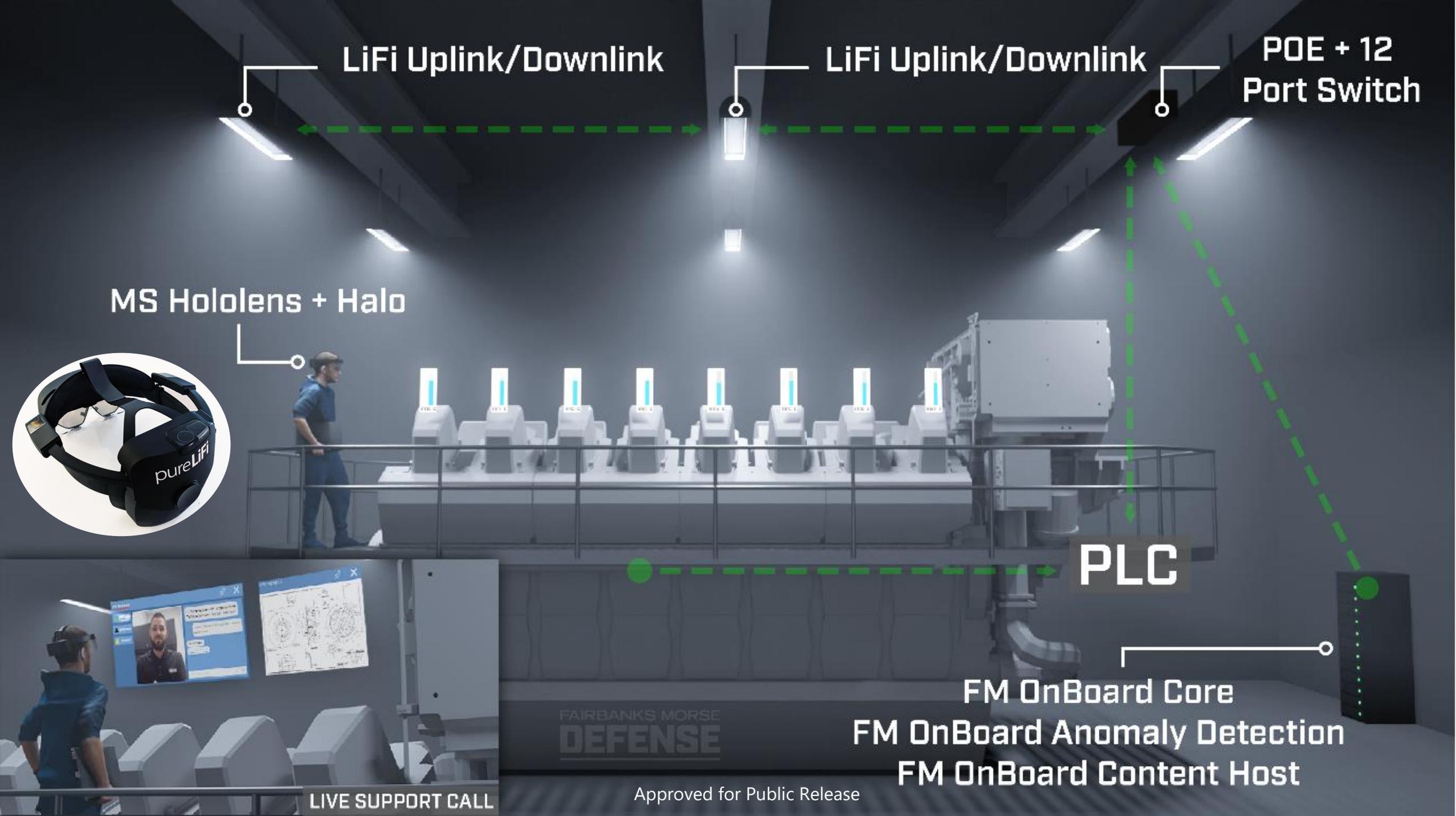
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## Conclusion

- FMD is leaning forward to revolutionize how the maintainer operates and performs their activities with equipment agnostic solutions.
- The connected maintainer environment is real and can be accomplished now.

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