



Enforcement Alert

Making You Aware of Anticipated Enforcement Activities

Compliance and Enforcement

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Emergency Generators and Packaged Boilers Use Provisions Necessitated by Hurricane Sandy

Who is affected by this Advisory?

All facilities adversely impacted by Hurricane Sandy that are using unpermitted emergency generators and packaged boilers.

What is occurring?

In the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, a facility may operate an emergency generator and/or packaged boiler of any size without an approved air permit.

What is DEP doing?

NJDEP is employing its enforcement discretion to allow a Hurricane Sandy-affected facility to operate an emergency generator and/or packaged boiler of any size without an approved air permit until that electrical power and/or thermal energy is back to normal service to the critical operations of the facility.

What should I do?

In order to benefit from this enforcement discretion, a facility must do the following:

1. The facility shall call the appropriate Bureau of Air Compliance & Enforcement office listed below within 24 hours of equipment arrival on-site.
2. The facility shall follow-up the telephone notification with a letter to the appropriate Bureau of Air Compliance & Enforcement office listed below within 72 hours of equipment arrival on-site. The letter shall provide the following information for each piece of equipment:
 - a. Make, model and year manufactured
 - b. Serial number
 - c. Size/capacity – in million Btu/hour and/or kilowatt
 - d. Firing rate – gal/hour or cubic feet/hour
 - e. Arrival date
3. If appropriate and where possible, ultra-low sulfur diesel shall be used as fuel and the equipment should be located as far as reasonably possible from homes, schools, daycare centers, healthcare facilities and other sensitive receptors.

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4. A report of the operation of each equipment, including start date/time and end date/time, total days and hours operated, the total emissions of all air pollutants that were emitted during its operation on-site, should be sent to the appropriate Bureau of Air Compliance & Enforcement listed below within thirty (30) calendar days after the equipment has left the site. If applicable, these emissions shall also be included in the annual Emission Statement submittal.
5. Equipment shall comply with the following New Jersey Administrative Codes:
 - a. N.J.A.C. 7:27-3, Control and Prohibition of Smoke from Combustion of Fuel; and
 - b. N.J.A.C. 7:27-5, Prohibition of Air Pollution (including odor issues).
6. Provide your local Office of Emergency Management and local officials (city/township officials including the mayor, police chief, fire marshal and county Health Department) with telephone and written notifications of your situation and planned actions. Notification shall include but not limited to, if any, potential impacts such as noise, odor and smoke.
7. The facility shall send a written notification to the appropriate Bureau of Air Compliance & Enforcement office listed below within 72 hours of equipment departure from site. The letter shall provide the following information for each equipment:
 - a. Make, model and year manufactured
 - b. Serial number
 - c. Size/capacity – in million Btu/hour and/or kilowatt
 - d. Firing rate – gal/hour or cubic feet/hour
 - e. Equipment(s) departure date
 - f. Amount of fuel used – in gallons and/or cubic feet, as appropriate

Who should I contact with questions?

During Business Hours:

Air Compliance and Enforcement - Northern Field Office (Bergen, Essex, Hudson Hunterdon, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, Warren and Union Counties)

7 Ridgedale Avenue
Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927
(973) 656-4444

Air Compliance and Enforcement – Central Field Office (Burlington, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth and Ocean Counties)

Mail Code 22-03A
22 South Clinton Avenue
PO Box 420
Trenton, NJ 08625-0420
(609) 292-3187

Air Compliance and Enforcement – Southern Field Office (Atlantic, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, and Salem Counties)

2 Riverside Drive
Suite 201
Camden, NJ 08103
(856) 614-3601

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Where can I get more information?

The following web sites provide additional information:

Hurricane Sandy information page <http://www.nj.gov/dep/special/hurricane-sandy/>

Air Quality Permitting Program <http://www.nj.gov/dep/aqpp/>

Air Compliance & Enforcement <http://www.nj.gov/dep/enforcement/air.html>

Air Regulations <http://www.state.nj.us/dep/aqm/>

General NJDEP contact information: <http://www.nj.gov/cgi-bin/dep/contactdep.pl>

EPA hurricane info: <http://www.epa.gov/hurricanes/>

FEMA hurricane info: <http://www.fema.gov/hazard/hurricane/index.shtm>

To comment on this advisory: <http://www.nj.gov/dep/enforcement/survey.html>

Please note this advisory is intended to be a summary explanation of a department initiative. It does not include all potentially applicable requirements. If you have any questions related to compliance with this initiative, please contact the contact numbers listed above.