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RE: CMS Rental Generators

Recently we received some information on rental (backup) generators which some Nursing Home/Hospital facilities will use as part of the EP Plan.

Some things to consider when contracting for a rental (backup) generator for use as a Type I or Type II:

- In some cases, rental generators may be neglected and unreliable as they may not have received monthly ITM (Inspection, Testing & Maintenance)
- Some companies that rent generators may not include setup and testing of the generator. Be sure to be clear and get something in writing for the EP plan.
- Make sure that the generator will be installed and tested upon delivery (this includes transfer of power within 10 seconds).
- Make sure the generator will meet the demand for power to your Facility. Make it clear to the rental place how big the facility is.
- Make sure you will have adequate fuel supply available.

If you contract with a rental company, make sure that they can guarantee they will have enough generators on hand to provide your facility one in a timely manner (in the event of an outage the demand will be high).

Most importantly, have another backup plan in place just in case!

If you have questions, please submit them to prevention@ks.gov.