

Mr. Larry D. Freimel
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Houston, Texas 77056-5310

Re: Permit by Rule Registration
Emergency Generator Engines
Houston, Harris County

Dear Mr. Freimel:

This is in response to your submittal to register two existing emergency generator engines and two proposed generators located at the Westheimer Office Building in Houston, Harris County. We understand that the only emissions sources at this site will be four emergency generators and two heaters, and the operation hours for the generators and the heaters will be in accordance with permits by rule §106.511 and §106.183. Your registration indicated that the site wide emissions are 22.44 tons per year (tpy) nitrogen oxide, 2.3 tpy carbon monoxide, 1.7 tpy sulfur dioxide, 0.815 tpy PM10(particulate matter less than 10 micron in diameter) and 0.6124 tpy volatile organic compound. You have established federal enforceable emission limits for the emergency generators by submitting PI-8 forms for each generator. Please note that the maximum annual operating hours for the generators in this registration may not exceed 10 percent of the normal annual operating schedule of this facility. In addition, the generators must be used for emergency and/or standby services only, whereby "standby" means to be used as a "substitute for" and not "in addition to" other equipment.

After evaluation of the information which you have furnished, we have determined that the overall operation of this facility conforms to the requirements of permitting by rule authorized under 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Sections §106.511 and §106.183, if constructed and operated as described in your registration request. This permit by rule was authorized by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) pursuant to 30 TAC Chapter 106.

A copy of this permit by rule in effect at the time of this registration is enclosed. You must construct this facility in accordance with the version of the permits by rule in effect when construction actually begins (see 30 TAC Chapter 106.4[a][5]). After completion

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of construction, the facility shall be operated in compliance with all applicable conditions of the claimed permits by rule and 30 TAC Chapter 106.4.

You are reminded that regardless of whether a permit is required, these facilities must be in compliance with all rules and regulations of the TNRCC and of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency at all times.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated. If you have any questions concerning this permit by rule, please call Ms. Laterria May at (713) 767-3598 or write to her at Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, Office of Permitting, Remediation, and Registration, Air Permits Division (MC-162), P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

Sincerely,

Duncan F. Stewart, P.E. Manager
Permit by Rule and General Operating Permits Section
Air Permits Division
Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission

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Enclosures

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