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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in response to your recent inquiry regarding the installation of portable emergency generators. Potable emergency generators shall be placed outside the structure on the ground 10' from any building opening (window or door). Portable emergency generators are typically fueled with diesel (a combustible fuel) or gasoline (a flammable fuel). These fuels must also be kept at least 10' away from the building and any opening.

Normally individuals are concerned with theft of the generator and fuel when an emergency is taking place. I recommend that the sites for generators and fuel be selected before the emergency and the ability to secure the generator and fuel be established before the need arises. Some individuals in our area have installed 4x4 posts or poles in the ground and have chained and locked the generators to this. Each owner can determine how to use and secure their fuel and generator as long as they are not in the building and are 10' away from any door or window opening of the building. Second story units will have to arrange for longer electrical wires to go from the generator, located on the ground, up to the second floor.

If you have any questions regarding this information or need additional assistance please feel free to contact me at (239) 425-9336.

Sincerely,

Fire Inspector

Division Chief Phillip Brown
Iona McGregor Fire District
11/08