HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE
SECTION 41514.1

41514.1. (a) A health facility shall test each of its diesel backup generators 12 times a year with testing intervals of not less than 20 days and not more than 40 days. The tests shall be conducted for at least 30 continuous minutes pursuant to either of the following:

(1) A dynamic load that is at least 30 percent of the nameplate rating of the generator.

(2) A test conducted at less than 30 percent of the nameplate rating of the generator, if the health facility revises its existing documented management plan to conform with the National Fire Protection Association 110: Standard for Emergency and Standby Power Systems, 2005 edition, testing and maintenance activities. These activities shall include inspection procedures for assessing the prime mover's exhaust gas temperature against the minimum temperature recommended by the manufacturer.

(b) If a diesel backup generator cannot be tested pursuant to the requirements of either paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (a), it shall be tested for 30 continuous minutes at intervals described in subdivision (a) with available Emergency Power Supply Systems (EPSS) load and tested annually with supplemental loads of all of the following in the following order for a total of two continuous hours:

(1) Twenty-five percent of nameplate rating for 30 minutes.

(2) Fifty percent of nameplate rating for 30 minutes.

(3) Seventy-five percent of nameplate rating for 60 minutes.

(c) A health facility shall submit all data collected under this section to the State Department of Public Health when requested by the department.

(d) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2016, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2016, deletes or extends that date.

(e) For the purposes of this section, "health facility" has the same meaning as Section 1250, but includes only those facilities described in subdivision (a), (b), (c), (d), (f), (g), or (k) of that section.

(f) Nothing in this section affects the authority of the state board or a district to regulate diesel backup generators owned by a health facility.