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CODE APPLICATION NOTICE (CAN)

H&S Code §129851

SUBJECT

Location of Combustion Engines and Gas Turbines
 (Formerly CAN 2-413A.2.3)

CAN: 2-442.2.3

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CODE SECTIONS

Sections 442.2.3, 2702.1
 2019 California Building Code

442.2.3 Location. Combustion engines and gas turbines used for emergency power shall not be located in a room or area used for any purpose other than equipment and controls related to the generation and distribution of emergency power.

PURPOSE

This Code Application Notice is necessary to clarify the statement " ... area used for any other purpose." The purpose of the section is to restrict the type and amount of equipment allowed in the area.

INTERPRETATION

This notice addresses the equipment allowed in rooms where a combustion engine or gas turbines used for emergency power are installed. It is intended to apply to combustion engines or gas turbines located inside buildings or enclosures housing emergency power equipment. These requirements do not apply to such equipment located outside of buildings or enclosures.

Only equipment essential to the operation of the engine/generator may be located in these engine/generator rooms or enclosures. This equipment would include, but is not limited to, paralleling gear, generator monitoring equipment, emergency power system distribution centers, transfer switches, etc. Equipment which shall be specifically excluded from the room would include the normal system distribution equipment and any other equipment not essential for the operation of the engine/generator.

For Additional requirements related to combustion engines and gas turbines, refer to the current California Building Code referenced editions of NFPA 37, Installation and Use of Stationary Combustion Engines and Gas Turbines and NFPA 110, Standard for Emergency and Standby Power Systems.

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