

PERMIT NO. 7374-247-0076-B-01-0

ISSUANCE DATE: 02/26/2025



GEORGIA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

Air Quality Permit

In accordance with the provisions of the Georgia Air Quality Act, O.C.G.A. Section 12-9-1, et seq and the Rules, Chapter 391-3-1, adopted pursuant to and in effect under that Act,

Facility Name: DCB Atlanta East, LLC
Facility Address: 1726 Farmer Rd
Conyers, Georgia 30012 Rockdale County
Mailing Address: 1040 Crown Pointe Pkwy, Suite 560
Atlanta, Georgia 30338
Facility AIRS Number: 04-13-247-00076

is issued a Permit for the following:

The construction and operation of a data center containing 6 diesel-fired emergency generators that provide back-up power for the facility.

This Permit is conditioned upon compliance with all provisions of The Georgia Air Quality Act, O.C.G.A. Section 12-9-1, et seq, the Rules, Chapter 391-3-1, adopted and in effect under that Act, or any other condition of this Permit.

This Permit may be subject to revocation, suspension, modification or amendment by the Director for cause including evidence of noncompliance with any of the above; or for any misrepresentation made in Application No. 29442 dated September, 26, 2024; any other applications upon which this Permit is based; supporting data entered therein or attached thereto; or any subsequent submittals or supporting data; or for any alterations affecting the emissions from this source.

This Permit is further subject to and conditioned upon the terms, conditions, limitations, standards, or schedules contained in or specified on the attached 7 pages.



Jeffrey W. Cown

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1. General Requirements

- 1.1 At all times, including periods of startup, shutdown, and malfunction, the Permittee shall maintain and operate this source, including associated air pollution control equipment, in a manner consistent with good air pollution control practice for minimizing emissions. Determination of whether acceptable operating and maintenance procedures are being used will be based on information available to the Division which may include, but is not limited to, monitoring results, opacity observations, review of operating and maintenance procedures, and inspection or surveillance of the source.
- 1.2 The Permittee shall not build, erect, install or use any article, machine, equipment or process the use of which conceals an emission which would otherwise constitute a violation of an applicable emission standard. Such concealment includes, but is not limited to, the use of gaseous diluents to achieve compliance with an opacity standard or with a standard that is based on the concentration of a pollutant in the gases discharged into the atmosphere.
- 1.3 The Permittee shall submit a Georgia Air Quality Permit application to the Division prior to the commencement of any modification, as defined in 391-3-1-.01(pp), which may result in air pollution and which is not exempt under 391-3-1-.03(6). Such application shall be submitted sufficiently in advance of any critical date involved to allow adequate time for review, discussion, or revision of plans, if necessary. The application shall include, but not be limited to, information describing the precise nature of the change, modifications to any emission control system, production capacity and pollutant emission rates of the plant before and after the change, and the anticipated completion date of the change.
- 1.4 Unless otherwise specified, all records required to be maintained by this Permit shall be recorded in a permanent form suitable for inspection and submission to the Division and shall be retained for at least five (5) years following the date of entry.
- 1.5 In cases where conditions of this Permit conflict with each other for any particular source or operation, the most stringent condition shall prevail.

2. Allowable Emissions

- 2.1 The Permittee shall not discharge into or cause the discharge into the atmosphere from the emergency generators (Source ID: EG01-EG06), any visible emissions which exhibit an opacity equal to or greater than forty (40) percent.
[391-3-1-.02(2)(b)(1)]
- 2.2 The Permittee shall not fire any fuel other than diesel fuel in the emergency generators (Source ID: EG01-EG06).
[391-3-1-.03(2)(c)]
- 2.3 The Permittee shall not burn fuel containing more than 2.5 percent sulfur, by weight, in the emergency generators (Source ID: EG01-EG06), unless otherwise specified by the Director.
[391-3-1-.02(2)(g)2]

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- 2.4 The Permittee shall limit the operation of the emergency generators (Source ID: EG01-EG06) to the following criteria:
[391-3-1-.02(2)(mmm)8]
- a. Operate only for routine testing and maintenance, when electric power from the local utility is not available, or during internal system failures;
 - b. Total annual operation for the emergency generator is less than 500 hours per year,
 - c. Operation for routine testing and maintenance during the months of May through September occurs only between 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. Operation for routine testing and maintenance during the months of January through April and October through December may be done during any time of the day, and
 - d. The facility maintains records of all operation, including the reason for the operation.

For each emergency generator that cannot meet the definition of “Emergency standby stationary engine” found in Georgia Rule 391-3-1-.02(2)(mmm)8 for data centers, the Permittee shall not discharge, or cause the discharge, into the atmosphere, from each engine, any gases which contain nitrogen oxides (NO_x) in excess of 80 ppm at 15% oxygen, dry basis, during the ozone season. For purposes of this permit, the ozone season is defined as the time period beginning May 1 and ending September 30.

- 2.5 The Permittee shall fuel the emergency generators (Source ID: EG01-EG06) subject to 40 CFR 60 Subpart IIII with distillate fuel oil that has a maximum sulfur content of 15 ppm (0.0015% by weight) and either a minimum cetane index of 40 or maximum aromatic content of 35 volume percent.
[40 CFR 60.4207(b), 40 CFR 1090.305, and 391-3-1-.02(2)(g) (subsumed)]
- 2.6 The Permittee shall comply with all applicable provisions of the New Source Performance Standards, as found in 40 CFR 60, Subpart A “General Provisions” and 40 CFR 60, Subpart IIII “Standards of Performance for Stationary Compression Ignition Internal Combustion Engines” for operation of the compression ignition emergency generators (Source ID: EG01-EG06).
[40 CFR 60 Subparts A and IIII]
- 2.7 The Permittee shall not discharge or cause the discharge into the atmosphere from the diesel-fired emergency generators (Source ID: EG01-EG06) any emissions of non-methane hydrocarbons and nitrogen oxides (NMHC+NO_x), hydrocarbons (HC), nitrogen oxides (NO_x), carbon monoxide (CO), and particulate matter (PM) in an amount exceeding the emissions standards specified in 40 CFR 60.4205(a) and (b), as indicated in Tables 2.7-1:
[40 CFR 60.4205(b), 40 CFR 60.4202(b)(2), and 40 CFR 1039, Appendix I(b)]

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Table 2.7-1: NSPS 40 CFR Part 60. Subpart IIII Emission Standards For all Stationary 2007 and later Model Year Diesel Engines with a Displacement Of Less Than 10 Liters Per Cylinder And Maximum Engine Power Of Larger Than 560 kW, with emission limits in terms of g/kW-hr (lb/HP-hr)

Pollutant →	NO _x + NMHC	CO	PM
Emission Limit →	6.4 (0.0105)	3.5(0.00575)	0.20 (3.29X 10 ⁻⁴)

2.8 The Permittee shall operate the emergency generators (Source ID: EG01-EG06) according to the requirements specified below. Any operation other than emergency operation, maintenance check and readiness testing, as described below, is prohibited:
[40 CFR 60.4211(f)]

- a. There is no time limit on the use of emergency stationary ICE in an emergency situation.
- b. The emergency generators may be operated for maintenance checks and readiness testing for a maximum of 100 hours per calendar year. The Permittee may petition the Division for approval of additional hours to be used for maintenance checks and readiness testing, but a petition is not required if the owner or operator maintains records indicating that federal, state, or local standards require maintenance and testing of emergency ICE beyond 100 hours per calendar year.
- c. The emergency generators may be operated for a maximum of 50 hours per calendar year in non-emergency situation. The 50 hours of operation in non-emergency situations are counted as part of the 100 hours per calendar year for maintenance and testing specified in Paragraph b. Except as provided in Condition 2.5.c.i, the 50 hours per calendar year for non-emergency situations cannot be used for peak shaving or non-emergency demand response, or to generate income for a facility to an electric grid or otherwise supply power as part of a financial arrangement with a another entity.
 - i. The 50 hours per year for non-emergency situations can be used to supply power as part of a financial arrangement with another entity if all the following conditions are met:
 - (A) The engine is dispatched by the local balancing authority or local transmission and distribution system operator.
 - (B) The dispatch is intended to mitigate local transmission and/or distribution limitations so as to avert potential voltage collapse or line overloads that could lead to the interruption of power supply in a local area or region.
 - (C) The dispatch follows reliability, emergency operation or similar protocols that follow specific NERC, regional, state, public utility commission or local standards or guidelines.

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(D) The power is provided only to the facility itself or to support the local transmission and distribution system.

(E) The Permittee identifies and records the entity that dispatches the engine and the specific NERC, Regional, state, public utility commission or local standards or guidelines that are being followed for dispatching the engine. The local balancing authority or local transmission and distribution system operator may keep these records on behalf on the engine owner or operator.

2.9 The Permittee shall not discharge into or cause the discharge into the atmosphere from the emergency generators (Source ID: EG01-EG06), any visible emissions the opacity of which is equal to or greater than 20 percent during the acceleration mode, 15 percent during the lugging mode, and 50 percent during the peaks in either the acceleration or lugging modes per 40 CFR 89.113(a).

[40 CFR 60.4205(b), 40 CFR 60.4202(b), 40 CFR 1039.105(b)]

2.10 The Permittee shall comply with all applicable provisions of the National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) as found in 40 CFR 63 Subpart A - "General Provisions" and 40 CFR 63 Subpart ZZZZ - "National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Stationary Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines," for the operation of the emergency generators (Source ID: EG01-EG06).

[40 CFR 63, Subparts A and ZZZZ]

3. Fugitive Emissions

3.1 The Permittee shall take all reasonable precautions with any operation, process, handling, transportation, or storage facilities to prevent fugitive emissions of air contaminants.

4. Process & Control Equipment

4.1 All emergency generators (Source ID: EG01-EG06) shall be operated and maintained according to the manufacturer's written specifications/instructions or procedures developed by the Permittee that are approved by the engine manufacturer, over the entire life of the engine.

[40 CFR 60.4211(a)]

5. Monitoring

5.1 Any monitoring system installed by the Permittee shall be in continuous operation except during calibration checks, zero and span adjustments, or periods of repair. Maintenance or repair shall be conducted in the most expedient manner to minimize the period during which the system is out of service.

[391-3-1-.02(6)(b)1]

5.2 The Permittee shall install, calibrate, maintain, and operate a non-resettable continuous monitoring system (or device) for each emergency generator (Source ID: EG01-EG06) to track the hours operated during emergency service and the hours of operation in non-emergency

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service (maintenance and/or testing); to record the reason the engine was in operation during those time, and to record the cumulative total hours of operation. Each system shall meet the applicable performance specification(s) of the Division's monitoring requirements.
[40 CFR 60.4209(a) and 391-3-1-.02(6)(b)1]

6. Performance Testing

- 6.1 The Permittee shall cause to be conducted a performance test at any specified emission point when so directed by the Division. The following provisions shall apply with regard to such tests:
- a. All tests shall be conducted and data reduced in accordance with applicable procedures and methods specified in the Division's Procedures for Testing and Monitoring Sources of Air Pollutants.
 - b. All test results shall be submitted to the Division within sixty (60) days of the completion of testing.
 - c. The Permittee shall provide the Division thirty (30) days prior written notice of the date of any performance test(s) to afford the Division the opportunity to witness and/or audit the test, and shall provide with the notification a test plan in accordance with Division guidelines.
 - d. All monitoring systems and/or monitoring devices required by the Division shall be installed, calibrated and operational prior to conducting any performance test(s). For any performance test, the Permittee shall, using the monitoring systems and/or monitoring devices, acquire data during each performance test run. All monitoring system and/or monitoring device data acquired during the performance testing shall be submitted with the performance test results.

7. Notification, Reporting and Record Keeping Requirements

- 7.1 The Permittee shall submit written notification of startup to the Division within 15 days after such date. The notification shall be submitted to:
Mr. Sean Taylor
Stationary Source Compliance Program
4244 International Parkway, Suite 120
Atlanta GA 30354
- 7.2 The Permittee shall maintain monthly operating records for each emergency generator in emergency and non-emergency service, as recorded on the non-resettable hour meter required for the emergency generators (Source ID: EG01-EG06). The Permittee shall record the time of operation of the engine and the reason the engine was in operation during that time. Records shall be maintained for a period of five (5) years in a format suitable for inspection by or submission to the Division.
[40 CFR 60.4214(b) and 391-3-1-.02(6)(b)1]

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- 7.3 The Permittee shall use monthly emergency and non-emergency service operating time data required by Condition 7.2 to calculate monthly the twelve-month rolling total of the emergency and non-emergency service operating time for each generator for each consecutive twelve-month period. All the calculations shall be kept as part of the records required in Condition 7.2. The Permittee shall notify the Division in writing within 15 days if any of the twelve-month rolling total service operating time equals or exceeds 500 hours. This notification shall include an explanation of how the Permittee intends to attain future compliance with Condition 2.4.
[391-3-1-.02(6)(b)1]
- 7.4 The Permittee shall retain the following records regarding fuel consumed in all fuel burning equipment. The records shall be submitted to the Division and contain the following:
[391-3-1-.02(6)(b)1]
- a. Shipping receipts or approved analyses used by the Permittee, to verify compliance with Condition Nos. 2.3 and 2.5.
- Or
- b. A statement from each fuel oil supplier used that all fuel delivered complies with Condition Nos. 2.3 and 2.5.
- 7.5 The Permittee shall use monthly non-emergency service operating time records required by Condition 7.2 to calculate monthly the twelve-month rolling total of the non-emergency service operating time for the emergency generators for each consecutive twelve-month period. All the calculations shall be kept as part of the records required in Condition 7.2. The Permittee shall notify the Division in writing within 15 days if the twelve-month rolling total of non-emergency service operating time for any generator equals or exceeds 100 hours. This notification shall include an explanation of how the Permittee intends to comply with Condition 2.8.
[40 CFR 60.4211(f)(3)]
- 7.6 The Permittee shall demonstrate compliance with the applicable emission limits in Permit Condition 2.7 according to one of the following methods, as applicable:
[40 CFR 60.4211(b)]
- a. Purchasing engines certified to emission standards for the same model year and maximum engine power as described in 40 CFR parts 1039 and 1042, as applicable. The engine shall be installed and configured according to the manufacturer/s specifications.
- b. Keeping records of performance test results for each pollutant for a test conducted on a similar engine. The test shall have been conducted using the same methods specified in 40 CFR 60, Subpart IIII. Those methods shall have been followed correctly during the performance test.
- c. Keeping records of the engine manufacturer data indicating compliance with the standards.

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- d. Keeping records of control device vendor data indicating compliance with the standards
- 7.7 The Permittee shall maintain a copy of the manufacturer's written operating and maintenance instructions or operating and maintenance procedures developed by the Permittee that are approved by the engine manufacturer for the emergency generators. These records shall be maintained in a format suitable for inspection or submittal.
[40 CFR 60.4211(a)]
- 7.8 The Permittee shall demonstrate compliance with emission standards specified in 40 CFR 60, Subpart IIII for the emergency generators by purchasing an engine certified to the emission standards in 40 CFR 60.4205(b) for the same model year and maximum engine power. The engine must be installed and configured according to the manufacturer's emission-related specifications. These records shall be maintained in a format suitable for inspection or submittal.
[40 CFR 60.4211(c)]
- 7.9 The Permittee shall submit an annual report with the requirements specified in 40 CFR 60.4214(d) if the emergency generators are operated for the purpose specified in 40 CFR 60.4211(f)(3)(i).
[40 CFR 60.4214(d)]

8. Special Conditions

- 8.1 At any time that the Division determines that additional control of emissions from the facility may reasonably be needed to provide for the continued protection of public health, safety and welfare, the Division reserves the right to amend the provisions of this Permit pursuant to the Division's authority as established in the Georgia Air Quality Act and the rules adopted pursuant to that Act.