TO: All Departments with Space in 550 Harrison

DATE: November 2024

SUBJECT: Generator Test: 550 Harrison.

Generator testing for 550 Harrison is scheduled for **Monday, November 18, 2024**, as follows:

**THE 550 HARRISON TEST PROCEDURES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

* The emergency generator will be started between 5:00AM and 5:05AM and will be used as the source for emergency power for approximately 30 minutes.
* The emergency power will be switched back to normal between 5:30AM and 5:35AM when the generator turns off.
* Emergency (red) outlets and emergency lights will blink when the test starts and again when it ends.

**The test, although intended to simulate an actual power outage, has been modified to keep the disruption to hospital services at a minimum. If an actual power outage occurs, the electrical circuits supported by the generator will be without power for 5 to 10 seconds except for those areas which have their own uninterruptible power supplies. Our recent experience suggests that a real power outage can be expected once a year. If you have equipment, processes, etc. that cannot cope with a power outage of this duration, your department should consider installing uninterruptible power supplies (UPS's).**

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the test or the emergency power system, please feel free to contact Stewart Hatzinger, Facilities Electrical Manager, Physical Plant at extension 4-8923.

Your continued cooperation in completing the code mandated emergency diesel generator test is greatly appreciated.