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ABSTRACT

This report on emergency electric power for security systems at nuclear reactor and fuel cycle facilities was prepared for use in the Safeguards program of the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission. The report includes information that will be useful to those responsible for the planning, design, and implementation of emergency electric power systems for physical security and special nuclear materials accountability systems. Basic information concerning different types of emergency power supply systems is presented. Those individuals with a comprehensive understanding of electrical power systems may find segments of the text very fundamental. Basic considerations for establishing the system requirements for emergency electric power for security and accountability operations are presented. Methods of supplying emergency power that are available at present and methods predicted to be available in the future are discussed. Such emergency power considerations as capacity, cost, safety, reliability, and environmental constraints are presented. The report includes basic consideration for the development of a system concept and the preparation of a detailed system design. A bibliography, with most items annotated, is included. Within the content of the report the user will find answers to the following questions.

- What types of systems are available, and which systems can best meet the licensee's needs?
- What is the estimated purchase and installed price range of the various systems per kilovolt-ampere?
- 3. What are the operating and maintenance requirements for maintaining system reliability?
- 4. Where can additional information on the various systems discussed be obtained?

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1. INTRODUCTION

The subject of this report is the supply of emergency electrical power to safeguard hardware systems at licensee facilities in the event of failure of the normal power source. Power failure is defined as any variation in electric power supply which causes unacceptable performance of the user's equipment. The purpose of the report is to present basic concepts to be considered before designing or assembling an emergency electric power subsystem for security monitoring and control systems.

A variety of detection, assessment, response, and communications systems will require reliable sources of electric power. Voice radio, video, data, telephone, and other communications used to transmit, receive, and display or sound alarms for notification all require dependable electric power supplies.

The assessment and response activities may involve the employment of such measures as additional fixed lighting, portable or mobile lighting, voice radio, video, data, telephone, or other communications devices, system monitoring devices and portable or mobile detection devices. The response activities may involve the remote control operation of the access and egress portals of the facility to confine, minimize or delay the effect of the incident. The assessment and response operations will require reliable electric power supplies.

The detection, alarm, assessment, and response activities mentioned above occur only in the event of a threatened or actual breach of security, the misplacement of special nuclear materials, or the occurrence of a false alarm. Emergency electric power is required in the day-to-day security and materials accountability operations. The monitoring and control of the various alarm systems and the communications systems employed in normal operations all require emergency power supplies.

Emergency power for fire alarm systems, criticality and radiation detection systems, process cooling control systems and for other similar systems is not included in the scope of the report. The power source for such systems is referred to in the report as the plant emergency power system.

2. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR EMERGENCY POWER SUPPLY SYSTEMS

2.1 GENERAL

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Certain elements of security and materials accountability systems must be operable, either in their entirety or in part, irrespective of the interruption of the normal source of their electrical power. The elements of the security and materials accountability systems that require emergency power must be determined by those responsible for the operation of the systems. The electrical loads, electrical characteristics and allowable tolerances, allowable interruption periods, and locations of the various components requiring emergency power must be determined.

The establishment of general requirements for emergency electric power involves analysis of the various types of electrical loads that must be supplied by the emergency power requirements, voltage, direct current, alternating current, permissible interruptibility, location, and physical security constraints. Included in this analysis must be the provision for a locally maintained, survivable supply of fuel for the emergency generators. This means the location of tanks and plumbing within the protected area to thwart an external adversary. Measures are also required to protect this supply specifically and the emergency system generally from subversion by one or more employees acting as the "insider" adversary element.

Conclusions derived from the analysis will establish the general system requirements. Consideration of the established basic requirements and familiarity with available methods of supplying emergency power will provide general indications of practical methods to serve the various electrical loads.

A typical basic determination that may be evolved from the establishment of general systems requirements is whether a particular electrical load may be satisfactorily served by the plant emergency power supply or requires a separate source of emergency power. Considerations involved in this basic determination are discussed below.

2.2 SEPARATE EMERGENCY POWER SYSTEM

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A separate emergency power system is required if any of the following conditions exist.

- The plant emergency power system does not have sufficient capacity to serve the required load.
- The response time of the plant emergency power system is insufficient to serve the required load.
- 3. Regulations prohibit use of the plant emergency power system.
- It is uneconomical to connect to the plant emergency power system because of the cost of distribution lines, inverters, rectifiers, voltage stabilizers, transformers, or other costs that may be encountered.
- 5. The plant emergency power system does not provide the required degree of reliability or security. Typically, separate emergency power supply systems will be required for physical security and safeguards instrumentation at nuclear reactor and fuel cycle facilities.

2.3 USE OF PLANT EMERGENCY POWER SYSTEM

The plant emergency power system may have reserve capacity that could supply the emergency electrical power to the entire protection system. In the event that the plant emergency power system is not suitable or sufficient to meet all of the protection system's electrical requirements, it may be capable of meeting portions of the requirements. Devices that are of secondary importance to the protection system and devices that can be dropped from service for short periods of time with minimal detrimental effect upon the protection system's efficiency may be served adequately by the plant emergency power system. Examples of such devices are heating, ventilating, and air conditioning equipment, secondary lights, and battery chargers.

2.4 UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SYSTEMS

Some protection devices are rendered ineffective or are reduced in effectiveness if there is any interruption of their input power. Interruption of the electric power input to automated data handling systems may cause the loss of the executive and operating programs and the data in volatile storage in the computer. Most computers of recent manufacture will detect a power slump and will go into a power-down mode automatically in order to preserve all executive and operational programs and transfer all data from core to disc storage. When power returns, the system will return automatically to operating status. Most intrusion alarm detectors are activated by input power line transients or a complete power failure. Each element of a protection system must be analyzed to determine if it can withstand momentary failures of the electric power input without significant detriment to the protection system. Components of the protection system that are unable to tolerate power interruptions require the employment of an uninterruptible power system. An uninterruptible power system is any source that protects a critical load from fluctuations or interruptions of the incoming AC power that drives it. Examples of uninterruptible power supply systems are shown in Figures 1 and 2.

2.5 INTERRUPTIBLE POWER SYSTEMS

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An interruptible emergency power system is applicable whenever a separate emergency power supply system is necessary and a momentary interruption of power is acceptable. The capacity of the source, the period of interruption permissible, and the type of available energy source determine the type of power system that should be employed. In some instances, it may be economically advantageous to use more than one emergency power supply in time sequence. For example, a vital device can be kept operating for a short period of time with batteries until an emergency engine-driven generator can



Figure 1. UPS with A.C. or D.C. Load



Figure 2. UPS with Prime Mover Drive

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be employed, until connection can be made to the large plant emergency power system, or until power from the normal source is restored. Another example would be the area of external Protected Area Lighting for use with closed-circuit television (CCTV) for remote assessment of alarms. The CCTV system, with low light cameras, would need to operate continuously during a commercial outage, although the dropout and delayed restart of the halide-type lights might be tolerated.

3. EMERGENCY POWER SUPPLY TECHNIQUES

Most existing emergency electric power supply systems, whether interruptible or uninterruptible, employ engine-driven generators and/or batteries. Other types of systems such as solar-powered photovoltaic and thermoelectric systems may be applicable at present to special requirements for emergency electric power or may become more feasible for such use in the future. In Sections 3.1 through 3.3, the systems hardware and general characteristics of the various techniques in practical use today are presented. In the future, other sources of electric energy may be developed which could fill some of the needs for emergency power supply systems. Possible new technologies foreseen for future applications are

- 1. Inertially powered generators,
- Fuel cells which convert chemical energy directly into electrical energy,
- 3. Wind or wave-powered generators,
- Nuclear-powered generators,
- 5. Solar-powered generators, and
- Thermoelectric-powered generators.

3.1 ENGINE GENERATORS

3.1.1 Engine Types - A wide variety of engine movers may be used to drive a generator/alternator to produce electric power. Internal combustion reciprocating engines, rotary and turbine engines, wind or water-powered engines, steam-powered engines, and many others have been used or considered for use as prime movers in electric power generation. An external combustible Rankin Cycle engine that uses almost any combustible fuel to drive a turbine and produce 200 to 3000 W of electrical power is commercially available. Power take-off devices on engine-driven vehicles and conversion devices to produce 100-V. 60-Hz electric power from vehicle alternators are available. The engine generator of this report is an Otto or diesel cycle internal combustion reciprocating engine driving a rotating machine that converts the mechanical power of the engine to electrical power.

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- 3.1.2 <u>Future Improvements Expected</u> Engine generators are used extensively throughout industry. Presently, generators are the most common source of emergency electric power. Existing trends of increased efficiency, decreased weight, and greater reliability for reciprocating internal combustion engines are expected to continue and thus keep these engines in their present dominant position in the emergency electric power field for a number of years.
- 3.1.3 <u>Generators/Alternators</u> Generators and alternators convert the mechanical power of the prime movers to electrical power. Most engine generator units are used to serve an alternating current load and have the internal combustion engine directly coupled to a four-, six-, or eight-pole self-excited alternator.

A schematic of a basic alternator is shown in Figure 3. The rotor contains the magnetic field winding which is supplied with a dc current through slip rings. Usually, a small dc generator or exciter mounted on the rotor shaft is used to provide the field current. The stator contains the armature winding, which is represented by the concentrated coil aa'. In general, additional coils are placed about the stator and connected in series, thus more effectively utilizing the available stator space.

For sinusoidal distribution of the angular flux, the voltage induced in the coil aa' varies sinusoidally as a function of time, as shown in Figure 4. The generated voltage goes through a complete cycle for each revolution of the motor. Therefore, if the frequency of the generated voltage is 60 cps, then the rotor speed must be 60 rps or 3600 rpm. If a gas or steam turbine is the prime mover, then it is usually feasible to drive the rotor at this rather high speed. However, for other prime movers, slower rotor speeds must be used. If four rotor poles are used as in Figure 5, an electrical cycle is completed for half a mechanical revolution of the rotor, and consequently a four-pole alternator is driven at 1800 rpm to produce 60 cps electric power. Similarly, if six poles are used, then the rotor speed must be reduced to 1200 rpm. The relationship between the frequency f, the number of poles P, and the speed S in rpm is therefore

 $f = \frac{P}{2} \frac{S}{60} cps$.

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Figure 5. Schematic of a Four-Pole Single-Phase Salient-Pole Alternator

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An expression for the induced armature voltage is given by

$$E = \left(\frac{PZ}{60P' \times 10^8}\right) \quad \phi S$$

where

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P = number of poles,

Z = total number of conductors on the surface of the armature.

P'= number of parallel paths through the armature,

S = speed of the armature in rpm,

 ϕ = total flux in maxwells.

For a given generator, the quantity within the parenthesis is constant and may be denoted by K. Hence,

$E = K \phi S$.

Therefore, the induced emf in a generator is directly proportional to the flux and to the speed. If the speed is kept constant, the induced emf is directly proportional to the flux ϕ .

The excitation for the alternator may be obtained from a combination rectifier and regulator or from a separate excitation generator built into the alternator. The speed of these units (therefore, the output a.c. frequency) is controlled by a simple governor, or on the smaller and less expensive units, a vane in the path of the cooling air flow. Units are available for the generation of a wide variety of single-phase and three-phase alternating current voltages, direct current voltages, and combinations of alternating and direct current voltages. The combinations available at present in capacities ranging from 1 kW to 115 kW are tabulated in Table 2.

3.1.4 <u>Capacity</u> - The engine generator must have enough capacity to serve the largest total continuous load that it will be expected to carry and to start the largest motor it will drive without excessive voltage dip. The largest voltage "p tolerable will be equal to, or slightly less than, the smallest of all of the permissible dips of the loads connected to the generator. The engine generator units commercially available will provide a voltage regulation and surge protection that exceeds the requirements of most communications alarm and control equipment, providing their capacity is not exceeded.

Nominal Capacity Nominal Electrical Characteristics Cooling Fuel (KW) Air G,N,LP 120 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 2 W. 1. 1.25, 1.5 12-15 V. D.C. 24-30 V. D.C. 32-40 V. D.C. 120 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 2 W. Air G.M. 120 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 2 W. & 12-15 V. D.C. 240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 2 W. G.N.LP 2.5 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 3 W. 120 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 2 W. 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH. 3 W Air G,N,LP,D 3 120 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 2 W. 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 3 W. 120/208 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. G.N.LP Air 4 G.N.LP 120/24J V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 3 W. Air 5, 6.5 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. 120/208 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. Air G.N.LP.D 7.5 120 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 2 W. 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 3 W. 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. 01 Liquid 120/208 V. A.C., 50 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. 277/480 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. 240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 3 W. 120 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 2 W. G,N,LP,D 10 Air 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 3 W. OF 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. 120/208 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. 277/480 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. Liquid 120 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 FH., 2 W. 240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 2 W. G,N,LP,D Air 12.5 70 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 3 W. Liquid 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. 120/208 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. 277/480 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. 240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. Air G,N,LP,D 15 120 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 2 W. 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 3 W. 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. OF Liquid 120/208 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. 277/480 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. 240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 3 W. G.N.LP.D 30, 45, 55, 60, 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 1 PH., 3 W. Liquid 120/240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W 120/208 V. A.C., 60 Hz 3 PH., 4 W. 277/480 V. A.C., 60 Hz 3 PH., 4 W. 240 V. A.C., 60 Hz., 3 PH., 4 W. 65, 70, 85, 90, 100, 115

Table 1. Engine Generator Characteristics

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Normal practice is to specify an engine generator for an installation which has a capacity that is at least 25% higher than the maximum anticipated load (Ref. 1). No matter what the load, a unit smaller than 2.5 kVA sold to the recreational, hobby, and other noncommercial users is frequently not as reliable as the larger units. An additional disadvantage of many of the smaller units is that they employ a two-pole alternator which, in turn, requires a 3600 rpm engine to produce 60-Hz power. This high operating speed is not conducive to long engine life. In fact, experience has shown that many 1800 rpm engine-driven sets are not adequate as continuous power supplies (several weeks' duration). Everything else being equal, the engine selected for a continuous duty application should be one with the 1) largest piston displacement, 2) lowest piston speed, and 3) lowest mean effective brake pressure or the lowest average pressure on the piston over one complete engine cycle at rated output (Ref. 2).

The capacity range of engine generator units normally employed as emergency power sources for communications systems, alarm systems, Security systems, etc., is usually between 2.5 kVA and 100 kVA. Manufacturers listed capacity ratings are for sea level installations and must be derated for installations at higher elevations. A general rule for derating engine power loss with altitude increase is to derate about 4% for each 1000-ft increase in altitude. Also, an average derating factor for high ambient temperature is 1% for each 10°F above 60°F. Temperature derating is not considered as important as altitude derating. Information regarding the available capacity increments from 1 to 115 kW is tabulated in Table 1.

3.1.5 <u>Initial Cost</u> - The costs in this section are based on the period of CY 78 and are estimates only. Due to the pace of inflation, adjustments need to be made accordingly when projecting procurement lead times. The initial installed cost of an engine generator may include several costs besides the supplier's price for the engine generator equipment. Accurate determination of the installed cost must include all of the optional accessories (Table 1) needed to meet the requirements of the particular installation. Dual fuel capabilities, if required, will add approximately 1 to 2% to the base price of the generator. Also included in the initial cost should be provisions for a locally maintained, survivable supply of fuel for the emergency generators.

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At present, the listed equipment prices for standard engine generator units that are gasoline fueled and air cooled with capacities below 15 kW will vary from approximately \$250 to \$375 per kW of rated output, with the lower end of the price range applying to the larger units. The present prices of standard liquid-cooled gasoline units with capacities below 100 kW range approximately from \$125 to \$400 per kW of rated output, with the lower end of the price range applying to the larger sizes. The present prices for standard liquidcooled diesel engine generators with capacities below 100 kW range from approximately \$150 to \$450 per kW of rated output. In this category, the lower end of the price range is also applicable to the larger sizes.

- 3.1.6 Operation and Maintenance Cost - The cost of maintaining an engine generator emergency power system includes the cost of parts, labor, materials, and expendable supplies such as lubricating oil and cooling fluid. The operating cost includes the cost of the fuel expended during the periods that the equipment is exercised or operated due to a failure of the normal power source. Warranties on engine generator systems issued by the manufacturer or installing contractor usually include the replacement of defective parts and perhaps the labor for their installation for a specific period of time after the installation is completed. Substantial savings in maintenance costs may be realized by invoking the provisions of a good warranty where they are applicable. Minimum warranties are generally for a period of one year, but warranty periods of 2, 3, 4, and 5 years are not uncommon. Estimating fuel consumption is discussed in Section 3.1.13, Fuel Considerations. Engine-driven generators when properly maintained and kept warm will dependably come on line within 8 to 15 seconds. To keep the generator in good condition, the unit should be run for 15 to 30 minutes under load at least once a month and preferably once a week. Enginedriven generator manufacturers generally furnish a detailed maintenance, operation, troubleshooting, and spare parts manual with each engine-driven generator set. A typical general maintenance schedule is shown in Table 2.
- 3.1.7 <u>Training</u> Adequate training of the maintenance and operations personnel responsible for an engine generator emergency power system is mandatory for reliable performance. Rigid adherence to adequate maintenance procedures will usually ensure that the system will perform as needed if the normal power source fails.

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TYPICAL OPERATOR MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE FOR ENGINE GENERATORS

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Maintenance Items	8	50	100	200-250					
Inspect Set	x								
Check Fuel	х								
Check Radiator Coolant Level	x								
Check Oil Level	x								
Drain Fuel Filter Sediment	х								
Check Air Cleaner (Clean if Required)		×1							
Clean Injector Pump Linkage Clean and Inspect		x1							
Crankcase Breather			×						
Inspect Fan Belt			×2						
Check Cooling System			×3						
Change Crankcase Oil			×6						
Replace Oil Filter Element			×6						
Clean and Inspect Battery Charging Alternator				x					
Check Starter				×4					
Check Injection Nozzles				×5					
Replace Fuel Filter Elements				×1					
Check Batteries				х					

- x1 Perform more often in extremely dusty conditions, or every three months.
- x2 Adjust to 0.50-inch depression between pulleys, or every three months.
- x3 Check for rust or scale formation. Flush if necessary.
- x4 Oil front bearing sparingly, check brushes.
- x5 Check for proper spray pattern, etc.
- x6 Perform every three months or 100 hours, whichever comes first.

- 3.1.8 <u>Total Life System Cost</u> The total cost of the engine generator emergency power system for the duration of the useful life of the system is the summation of all of the costs discussed above. The total life system cost may be estimated by estimating the initial and annual operating and maintenance costs and projecting these costs for the predicted useful life of the system and then subtracting the salvage value.
- 3.1.9 <u>Power Transfer Controls</u> The transfer switch has the principal functions of exercising the engine generator equipment periodically, sensing a failure of the normal power source, starting the prime mover, and transferring the electrical load from the normal power source to the emergency power system. This element of the emergency power system must be selected carefully to provide the maximum practical reliability. Satisfactory operation of the transfer switch (shown in Figure 6) is vital to the reliability of an engine generator emergency power system (Reř. 12). Transfer switches that are available fall into three general categories: 1) mechanical/ manual, 2) electromechanical, and 3) static (Ref. 3).

The mechanical transfer switch is one that is thrown manually to permit no-break transfer to the secondary source when maintenance is necessary. Customarily, it is a make-before-break type. With the inverter phase locked to the commercial power source, it can be thrown without interrupting power to the load (Ref. 3).

The electromechanical transfer switch is used in systems that can tolerate the transients normally encountered on power lines, since its transfer time is normally 50 msec or less (about three cycles). It may operate automatically, being actuated when a power outage or fault is sensed (Ref. 3).

Static transfer switches operate on the same principle as the electromechanical switches. They are used for load switching when the load is adversely affected by short-term transients. The moving armature is replaced by silicon controlled rectifiers (SCR) to reduce transfer time. Transfer time for the static switch is typically 5 msec or less (Ref. 3).

The monitoring and control provisions supplied by the manufacturers of engine generator units will vary with the manufacturer and with the various models offered by any one manufacturer. Most manufacturers offer the monitoring and control items listed in Table 4 either as standard items or as optional accessories.



Figure 6. Typical Generator System with Transfer Switch

- 3.1.10 Safety Considerations The major manufacturers of engine generator equipment generally comply with the safety requirements of the National Electrical Manufacturer's Association. Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, American National Standards Institute, and other safety codes and regulations applicable to the manufacture of the equipment. Compliance may be, in some instances, provided by optional accessories. Several safety code provisions must be considered in the installation of the system. Typical of these consider-ations are the safety codes, regulations, and policies governing the storage of volatile fuels, penetration f structures by hot exhaust pipes, disconnection of e' ..trical power sources during repair or maintenance operations, the discharge of toxic gases to atmosphere, battery venting, and provisions for combustion air. A list of codes and standards references that may be applicable is included in the Appendix.
- 3.1.11 Environmental and Physical Facility Considerations -Engine generator emergency power systems and their fuel supplies require space for their installation and access sufficient for maintenance. The allocation of space for an engine generator system must provide for the equipment to be removed and replaced and for adequate maintenance access. Also, the fuel supply must be reasonably nearby and survivable. Engine generator equipment must be protected from the weather if it is to be reliable. Most manufacturers include a raintight enclosure as an optional accessory to their equipment.

The use of emergency power systems in cold climates may require measures to prevent freezing of the engine colant at low ambient temperatures; and in extremely cold climates, the use of lubricating oil preheaters may be necessary. Installations in locations with high ambient temperatures may require special cooling or ventilating measures to prevent overheating the equipment. Tropical installations may require special moisture and fungusresistant provisions. Where the equipment is installed inside a building, provisions must be made for the satisfactory discharge of the exhaust fumes, the supply of combustion air, and the intake and discharge of air for cooling. The transmission of objectionable noise and vibration from the unit to the building structure must be prevented.

- 3.1.12 Lifetime and Reliability Considerations The length of the useful life of an engine generator emergency power system may be predicted with some degree of accuracy from the manufacturer's records of the operating life of similar installations. Such predictions must consider the predicted quality of the maintenance that the equipment is expected to receive, the environment in which it is installed, and the ratio of idle and operating time periods anticipated, including exercise periods and periods of full and partial load operation. The manufacturer's statement can be verified by communications with the users of the manufacturer's systems. The reliability of an engine generator system may be predicted by analysis of tests previously conducted by the manufacturer. The various branches of the U.S. Armed Forces have conducted extensive tests of numerous emergency electric power systems. Military standard 1058, "Generator Sets, Engine Driven, Methods of Test and Instructions" provides information concerning generator systems. Another useful reference is the Army Corps of Engineers document ETL-1110-3-150 "Engineering and Design of Electric Generator Sets, Diesel Engine Driven; Classification and Testing." System reliability considerations must include all elements of the system and must not be confined to the engine generator equipment.
- 3.1.13 <u>Fuel Considerations</u> The prevalent fuels used in engine generator systems at present are gasoline, diesel oil, natural gas and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG). These fuels are discussed below.

Gasoline is used extensively since it is universally available, is a liquid at atmospheric pressure, and is easy to handle. Engines using gasoline fuel have a lower initial cost than diesel engines. Gasoline engines are easier to start than diesel engines under difficult conditions and in extremely low temperatures. Care must be exercised in the storage of gasoline because it vaporizes readily when exposed to air and can create conditions with an explosion potential. The storage life of gasoline is limited, and it will deteriorate and damage an engine in which it is used after approximately six months in storage. Gasoline has a lower octane rating than the gaseous fuels, and it has a greater fouling tendency.

Diesel fuel is less volatile than gasoline and is safer to store and to use. Diesel fuel has a longer storage life than gasoline, is readily available, and easy to handle. Most engine generator manufacturers recommend No. 1-D or No. 2-D grades of diesel fuel for use in their engines, since other grades of fuel in this general class have lower octane ratings and higher sulfur content, both detrimental to engine performance. The initial cost of diesel engines is generally greater than for engines of the same size built to use gasoline or gaseous fuels.

Diesel fuel costs less per gallon than gasoline and has a greater heating value. Fuel consumption in a diesel engine is significantly less than in a gasoline engine operating with the same load. Diesel engines are inherently heavier and more rugged than engines built to use gasoline or gas fuels, and the diesel engine has no points, spark plugs, or condensers, which require frequent maintenance on gasoline or gas-fueled engines.

Natural gas is usually obtained from a municipal distribution system or from a public utility source. If an off-site source is chosen, it should be coupled to an on-site supply of LPG with automatic switchover capability should the off-site supply be cut off. The use of natural gas will generally reduce the capacity of the engine to 85 to 90% of its capacity when using gasoline or liquified petroleum gas. This reduction is due to the lower Btu content of natural gas.

Liquified petroleum gas consists of a mixture of propane and butane. The mixture ratio is usually varied with the seasons to account for the effect of ambient temperature on the vapor pressures of the gases. The fuel is readily available in most areas of the United States, is generally stored in refillable pressure tanks, and is reasonably easy to handle.

Natural gas and liquified petroleum gas both have a higher octane rating than gasoline. They have a lower residue content than gasoline and contain no tetraethyl lead. They mix more thoroughly with the air in the engine cylinders than do liquid fuels and are more completely consumed by the combustion process. The introduction of the gaseous fuels into the cylinders of the engine causes no washing of the lubricating oil from the cylinder walls as occurs with the liquid fuels. The use of the gaseous fuels will produce less engine wear, less carbon formation, less sludge in the lubricating oil, and less fouling than the use of gasoline. Fuel consumption varies with the manufacturer and varies among different models and sizes of equipment offered by any one manufacturer. Approximate fuel consumption may be estimated at full engine load as follows.

1. Gasoline fuel consumption is approximately 0.16 gal per kWhr of rated generator output and varies approximately from 0.10 to 0.18 gal per kWhr.

2. Natural gas consumption is approximately 18 ft^3 per kWhr of rated generator output and varies approximately from 13 to 25 ft³ per kWhr.

3. Liquefied petroleum gas consumption is approximately 7.5 ft³ per kWhr of rated generator output capacity and varies from approximately 4 to 10 ft³ per kWhr.

4. Diesel fuel consumption is approximately 0.08 gal per kWhr of rated generator output and varies from approximately 0.04 to 0.10 gallon per kWhr.

The selection of a fuel for use in engine generator emergency power systems must consider survivability of the fuel supply, fuel availability, the engine efficiency required, the initial cost of the equipment, fuel cost, maintenance costs, reserve fuel storage requirements, and reliability requirements.

A summary of engine generator units available from 1 to 115 kW nominal capacity is given in Table 1. Table 3 shows the cost figures for diesel generator units ranging in size from 15 kW to 750 kW. Transfer switches will range in cost from \$1500 for 30 A to \$6200 for 800 A.

Engine generator sets with capacities of 5 kW and smaller are available in portable models with one-man or two-man carrying frames. An optional available accessory is a two-wheeled cart. Two-wheeled and four-wheeled trailers are available for mobile applications for any size of engine generator set listed in Table 1.

Most of the portable units are drip-proof construction for use exposed to the weather. Weatherproof enclosures are available for all sizes listed in Table 1.

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Available starting methods include rope-recoil manual starting on the portable models, local push-hutton starting using a battery and starter, remotely controlled starting, and automatic starting and load transfer.

Frequency regulation available range from ± 1.8 Hz to $\pm 7\%$ of the rated frequency.

Response performance of engine generators varies with the manufacturer and with different models produced by the same manufacturer. The instantaneous voltage dip that occurs upon the application of full load varies from 12 to 20% of rated voltage on the units presently available. The period of recovery from the instantaneous voltage dip to stable operation varies from 1 to 2 seconds, and stable operation rating: vary from 0.50 to 1% of rated voltage.

Most of the engine generator combinations listed in Table 1 are available for dual fuel operation using gasoline and one of the gaseous fuels, natural gas, or LPG. The primary consideration when changing from one fuel type to another is the change in carburetion.

The list presented in Table 4 is representative of the controls, instruments and accessories available with engine generator equipment.

Below is a partial list of the U.S. manufacturers of engine generator units.

General Electric Company Kohler Company General Corporation Caterpillar Tractor Company Onan Division of Onan Corporation Winco Division of Dyna Technology, Incorporated

Specific availability, delivery schedules, and prices may be obtained from local manufacturer's representatives or distributors.

3.2 Battery Power

3.2.1 <u>General</u> - Batteries are the most convenient source of a limited amount of dc power. The selection of a battery for a particular application involves compromises and tradeoffs. Normally, batteries are located as close as possible to the device(s) to be powered to decrease resistive power loss in the supply bus. This requirement can result in distributed systems as opposed to a system with all batteries in a single location. Theoretically, a battery can be constructed using

Table 4

GENERATOR ACCESSORIES

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commercially available battery cells to store any desired voltage and current output; however, the size, weight, and cost of such a battery could be prohibitive. The U.S. Department of Justice, under the Law Enforcement Standards Program, commissioned the National Bureau of Standards to compare the performance characteristics of batteries normally used with communication security systems. The result (Ref. 4) is a useful pamphlet which presents a thorough set of definitions of terms, comparisons of characteristics, and suggestions for selecting and using batteries. Batteries are usually grouped into three classifications--primary, secondary, and reserve.

> 3.2.2 <u>Primary Batteries</u> - Primary batteries are designed to deliver their stored power in a continuous or intermittent discharge. They cannot be recharged efficiently. The amount of energy a primary battery will deliver is determined by the materials used in their manufacture and the size of the cell. When the available energy drops below the point that the battery will deliver a useful voltage/current ratio to the load, the battery is usually discarded. The use of primary batteries as a source of emergency power for safeguards systems is limited because they cannot be efficiently recharged. Primary batteries may be classified by the type of electrolyte used (Ref. 5).

> > Aqueous-electrolyte batteries use solutions of acids, bases, or salts in water as the electrolyte. These solutions have ionic conductivities around 1 mHO per cm and almost negligible electron conductivity. Examples of this type of battery are the Leclanche cell and the alkaline manganese-zinc cell, both of which are used in flashlight batteries.

Solid-electrolyte batteries are electrolytes composed of solid crystalline salts that have predominantly ionic conductivity. Solid-electrolyte batteries may be classified into two categories. 1) cells with solid crystalline salt as the electrolyte, and 2) cells with an ion-exchange membrane as the electrolyte. The conductivity of either of these types of solid-electrolyte batteries must be nearly 100% ionic because any electron conductivity will cause a continuous discharge of the cell and shorten shelf life. The lead-lead chloride-silver cell is a typical solid electrolyte battery. One cell of such a battery will produce a voltage potential of 0.49 V, and they have been stacked to deliver 90 to 100 V at 10 µA with a capacity of 1 uA/sec. Such a battery is about 3/8 in. in diameter and 1 in. long. A representative of the ion exchange

membrane battery is the zinc-silver battery which produces a voltage potential of about 1.5 V. The capacity of such batteries is approximately 0.4 A-hr per in³ of volume.

Wax-electrolyte batteries use waxy materials in which a small amount of a salt is dissolved. The conductivity of these batteries is low, and the current output is limited to approximately 1 μ A per in². A 25-cell zinc-polyethylene glycol-manganese dioxide battery is 0.34 in. in length, 0.25 in. square, weighs 1.5 g, and provides an output voltage potential of 37.5 V.

Fused-electrolyte batteries use crystalline salts, or bases, which are solid at room temperature but are used after heating to a temperature above the melting point of the electrolyte.

3.2.3 <u>Secondary Batteries</u> - Secondary batteries, commonly called storage batteries, are the predominant portable energy source in the United States today. A storage battery is composed of one or more identical voltaic cells in which the electrochemical action is reversible so that the battery can be recharged by passing a direct current through the cells ir the opposite direction to that of discharge (Ref. 6). The availability and variety of secondary batteries have been developed to the point that they are replacing the use of primary batteries at an ever-increasing pace, including their use in the hand-held flashlight. There are two general classifications of secondary batteries-lead-acid and alkaline.

> Lead-acid batteries provide an extremely flexible and dependable tool for maintaining power stability and continuity. They are composed of lead sponge and lead peroxide plates immersed in sulfuric acid. They develop 2.0 V per cell when fully charged and produce 10 to 15 Whr of energy per pound of weight and 0.6 to 1.3 Whr of energy per in³. The lead in lead-acid batteries is hardened by the addition of 1.5 to 5% antimony or calcium. Batteries used in U.S. automobiles employ

antimony hardener, which provides the battery with an improved tolerance for high ambient temperatures and enables rapid recharging. When batteries with the antimony hardened plates are floated across the line, the charges on the individual cells become unequal; and periodic equalizing charges must be applied.

Batteries with calcium-hardened plates may be floated across the line for long periods without equalizing as long as a charge of approximate; 2.25 V per cell is maintained. Lead-acid batteries are used to provide power to the load for short periods until the engine generator reaches operating speed and to supply power to electronic equipment when no other power source is available. A stationary lead-acid battery system can be designed to meet practically any desired voltage rating. Most dc-powered equipment systems are within one of the following major dc voltage groups:

12 ' (audible and visual alarm systems, communications systems),

24 V (audible and visual alarm systems, communications systems),

32 V (emergency lighting systems, electric clock systems),

48 V (telephone systems, microwave systems),

120 V (emergency lighting systems, communication systems, telemetering, supervisory control systems, teletype systems, uninterruptible ac power supply systems), and

240 V (uninterruptible ac power supply systems).

Care must be exercised in specifying battery capacity, and the capacity should be specified at a definite discharge rate. The slower the discharge rate specified, the thicker the individual plates in the battery can be. The thicker plates provide a longer life expectancy for the battery.

Alkaline storage batteries employ nickel and iron, nickel and cadmium, or silver oxide and zinc plates immersed in an alkaline solution. The nickel-iron battery is known also as the Edison battery. It is lighter in weight than a lead-acid battery of equal capacity and has a longer life because there is no

chemical deterioration during charging. The Edison battery is commonly used as an emergency electric power source in industrial alarm and communications applications. Alkaline storage batteries employing nickel and iron were formerly used in large battery banks to provide standby power for telephone and alarm systems. Few (if any) companies still manufacture this type of battery as the functions they used to fulfill are now being fulfilled by the lead-acid battery with the calcium hardener discussed in this section.

The nickel-cadmium batteries are commonly found in pocket calculators, hand-held portable radio transceivers, and similar devices where a reliable, compact source of energy is required. They are reliable, rechargeable, and can be assembled to deliver any voltage-current capacity required; but they are much more expensive than the lead-acid battery. Therefore, they are only used in applications where it is impractical to employ the lead-acid battery with its corrosive liquid electrolyte. Care must be exercised in cycling nickel-cadmium batteries from charge to discharge to charge or the capacity of the battery is greatly reduced. One nickel-cadmium cell will produce an out-put voltage of 1.28 to 1.15 V during the useful discharge portion of its cycle.

The silver-zinc battery has been used widely in military and space applications due to its high stored energy to weight ratio and its constant 1.45-V output over the major part of the discharge portion of its cycle. The silver-zinc battery is the most expensive storage battery commercially available. Extreme care must be taken when charging the battery to develop a full charge and not destroy it by ignoring the flat voltage versus charge characteristics of this type battery.

3.2.4 <u>Reserve Batteries</u> - Reserve batteries transcend the primary and secondary classifications used above. A reserve battery is one which remains inert until it is activated. Initiation methods to activate reserve batteries include the puncture of a seal, the rupture of a membrane, the addition of an electrolyte, the application of heat to melt the electrolyte, and other methods. Fused-electrolyte batteries can be considered to be reserve batteries. The main advantage of all reserve batteries is their extremely long shelf life without deterioration.

- 3.2.5 DC-DC Converters - In some nuclear reactor facilities. the number of battery cells in operation has become a problem from the standpoint of battery maintenance. In attempt to reduce the number of battery cells, dc to ac converters are being considered, the advantage being the reduction in the number of individual 12-, 24-, and 48-V systems. These DC voltages are generated using dc-dc converters tied to the 250- and 125-V dc systems. The converters are located close to the high DC voltage source, with the lower voltages being distributed to the user points. An inherent disadvantage with this approach is the overcurrent capability of the converter. Overcurrents cannot exceed approximately 150% of normal converter output. An additional disadvantage of dc-dc converters is their extremely low efficiency.
- 3.2.6 Future Improvements Expected - Technological improvements of batteries are continually being made. Battery life and battery storage capacity are generally increasing, and battery size and cost are generally decreasing. A wide variety of types and sizes of batteries is available at present, and the availability of additional types and sizes is increasing rapidly. The use of batteries for short-term energy sources will continue to increase in the future. Performance parameters and projected performance parameters for rechargeable batteries are given in Table 5. The characteristics of existing commercially available batteries presented below are limited to secondary batteries of the types and sizes normally used as emergency power sources for components of security systems.
 - 3.2.7 Initial Cost The initial cost of a battery power system includes the cost of the battery cell plus the cost of the charging and switchover circuitry and equipment. Normally, the cost of the battery cells is the predominant factor and is directly proportional to capacity. The cost of a nickel-cadmium battery is three to four times that of a lead-acid battery of equivalent capacity.
 - 3.2.8 Operation and Maintenance Typically, stationary battery systems are maintained at voltages higher than the nominal system voltage. For example, a nominal 120-V system is usually operated at 129 V. This is due to a tendency of a battery cell to lose gradually some of its electrical charge because minor electrochemical reactions take place constantly on the plate surfaces. These losses are made up by constant "float" charging

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Battery System	Estimated Volts per Cell	Estimated Energy Wact/H per Cell	Escimated Density Watt/H per Cubic Inch	Initi \$/1b	al Cost \$/Kwhr	Estimated Life In Number of Cycles for 50% Discharge
Lead Acid	2.0	10-15	0.6-1.3	1	100	>1000
Nickel-Cadmium	1.2	8-11	0.4-1.0	5	360	3000
Nickel-Iron	1.2	10-14	0.6-1.0	2		>1000
Nickel-Zinc				4	50	<2000
Nickel-Cadmium Centered	1.2	10-13	1.0	_		
Silver-Cadmium	1.1	15-50	2.5	-		
Silver-Zinc	1.5	20-100	3.0	20	> 360	< 200
Zinc-Chlorine				> 1	> 15	< 150
Zinc-Air				< 1	< 36	< 250
Sodium-Sulfur				> 1	>10	100
Lithium-Sulfur				3	30	

Table 5. Secondary Battery Performance Parameters
during normal system operations. Float-charging voltage is maintained at a precise preset level, virtually always higher than the nominal system voltage but lower than the recharge or equalizing charge voltage.

The equipment powered by dc is usually designed to operate within a fairly broad range of voltage supply. This is necessary for two reasons: 1) to accommodate the gradual decline of battery voltage during discharge and 2) to accept voltage increases when required by recharging or equalizing charge operations (Ref. 7).

Battery capacity (c) is usually stated in ampere hours. Ampere-hour capacity is defined as the number of amperes that can be delivered under specified conditions as to temperature, rate of discharge, and final voltage.

Ampere-hour ratings, as stated by the manufacturer, can be very confusing and misleading. The actual ampere hours that a battery can deliver is very much dependent upon a number of factors such as

1. A specified discharge rate,

2. Ambient temperature at which the battery is being operated,

3. Allowable voltage swing from full charge to a low cutoff voltage, and

4. Duty cycle.

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An example of the varying degree of battery capacity may be illustrated as follows. A battery with a nominal 9-A-hr capacity rating, when discharged over a 20- hr period, might deliver only 7 A-hr usable capacity when discharged over a 2-hr period, and only a 4-A-hr capacity for a 0.2-hr discharge.

The general condition of a battery can be determined by inspection. Items that should be checked on a quarterly basis are

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1. Specific gravity readings of each cell,

2. Voltage readings of each cell and total battery terminal voltage,

3. Electrolyte level of each cell,

4. Float voltage,

- Temperature of electrolyte of representative cells, and
- 6. Battery load voltage with battery on float charge.

A major advantage of some pattery-powered emergency power systems is that they require very little, if any, maintenance, although some types of batteries must be checked periodically for electrolyte level. Adding water to the electrolyte is the most important single maintenance requirement in stationary battery systems. The best time to add water to the stationary lead-acid battery is when the recharge or equalizing charge is about two-thirds completed. Water tends to float on top of the electrolyte for a while, but the gassing action of the latter part of the charging period will mix the water into the electrolyte. For some safeguards applications, dry cell batteries may be chosen for cost and convenience reasons. In this case, a preventive maintenance practice should be initiated for periodic replacement of the dry cells.

The most efficient type of battery in terms of low watering frequency is the calcium alloy pasted-plate cell. Inspection of electrolyte level and, if necessary, watering of these cells are scheduled usually once a year throughout the battery's service life, if the float voltage is set at 2.17 Vpc and periodic equalizing charges at the recharge voltage of 2.33 Vpc are given. Equalizing charges can be eliminated by raising the float voltage to 2.22 or 2.25 Vpc, but an increase in inspection and watering frequency will be necessary. The frequency of watering required by antimony cells increases as the battery ages.

Periodically, or immediately after a power outage has ended, the lead-acid battery should be given an equalizing charge or a recharge at a higher voltage per cell than the float charge. This is possible only when the electrical load can tolerate the increased system voltage (Ref. 7). Table 6 gives the recharging times for stationary lead-acid batteries based on a 6-A charger serving a 100-A-hr lead-acid battery rated at an 8-hr discharge rate. Equalizing charges and recharges usually are given at 2.33 volts per cell (a system voltage of 140 V in a 60-cell battery).

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Discharge	@ 2.15 vpc	@ 2.25 vpc	0	2.33	vpc
100	75 hours	16.6 hours		14.8	hours
90	73	14.6		13.0	
80	71	13.2		11.7	
70	69	11.2		10.3	
60	67	9.8		8.6	
50	65	8.5		7.1	
40	62	6.6		5.8	
30	55	4.9		4.0	
20	45	3.4		2.5	
10	27	1.6		1.0	

RECHARGING TIMES FOR STATIONARY LEAD-ACID BATTERIES

For recharging times to 100% recharged, add the following times to the above figures.

At 2.15 vpc, add 70 hours for antimony alloy cells or add 96 hours for calcium alloy cells (approximate)

At 2.25 vpc, add 2.2 hours for antimony alloy cells, or add 8.0 hours for calcium alloy cells (approximate)

At 2.33 vpc, add 1.2 hours for antimony alloy cells, or add 3.0 hours for calcium alloy cells (approximate)

An antimony alloy cell floated at 2.15 Vpc should be given a periodic 2.33 Vpc charge for between 8 to 24 hr. Maximum system voltage can be reduced by lowering the equalizing charge voltage to 2.30 Vpc (138 volts in a 60-cell battery), but the duration of this charge will be lengthened to between 11 and 34 hr.

Calcium alloy batteries, float charged at 2.17 Vpc to 2.21 Vpc, should be given periodic equalizing charges at 2.30 Vpc for 48 to 72 hr. Calcium alloy cells, float charged at 2.22 to 2.25 Vpc, do not normally require an equalizing charge. The purpose of the periodic equalizing charge is to ensure that all the battery's cells are at full charge level. Lead-acid cells are complex assemblies with many variables that affect cell performance. No two cells are exactly alike. Float charging keeps most of the battery's cells at full charge, but some cells may gradually lose a little capacity. These "weak" cells can be upgraded or equalized with all the other cells by periodically feeding a prolonged charge at the specified recharge voltage. The frequency of giving equalizing charges depends on the charge method and also on the charging loads.

Frequency can be as often as once a month or as infrequently as once a year with constant voltage chargers, if the records show that all cells are kept fully charged (Ref. 7). Recommended practices for maintenance, testing, and replacement of large lead-acid storage batteries can be found in the IEEE Standard 450-1975.

- 3.2.9 <u>Training</u> Training in battery care usually consists of instruction in the method of checking electrolyte level and normal precautions in handling the electrolyte.
- 3.2.10 Total Life System Cost The major component of the total life system cost of a battery system is the initial installed cost of the batteries since the maintenance and operating costs are very minimal.
- 3.2.11 Monitoring and Control Monitoring and control of a battery installation must include provisions to prevent battery overcharge, maintain proper trickle charge rate, prevent excessive rates of charge and discharge, and prevent the discharge from exceeding the design limits of the battery. Some of these monitoring and control features are automatically incorporated into the device that employs the batteries; and sometimes in large battery installations, these monitoring and control features require alarms and manual control or manual control override features.

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3.2.12 <u>Safety Considerations</u> - Secondary batteries produce hydrogen gas which must be vented to the air in the battery room or compartment. This hydrogen generation occurs primarily during the charging cycle with leadacid batteries. The greatest amount of hydrogen is produced when the maximum system voltage is impressed on the fully charged cells. Very little hydrogen is produced during float charging operations.

The volume of hydrogen produced is determined by the amount of charging current supplied to the fully charged battery by the charger.

When the cell is fully charged, each charging ampere supplied to the cell produces about 0.016 cubic feet (0.453 liter) of hydrogen per hour per cell. This volume applies at sea level, when the ambient temperature is about 77°F (25° C) and when the electrolyte is "gassing" or bubbling. A fully charged 60-cell leadacid battery being charged at 1 A would produce a hydrogen volume as calculated:

 $0.016 \times 1.0 A \times 60 \text{ cells} = 0.96 \text{ ft}^3/\text{hr}$

0.453 x 1.0 A x 60 cells = 27.18 liter/hr

Sufficient ventilation should be provided to prevent the hydrogen gas from building up to a level of 3% by volume in the room air at any time.

Another safety consideration is the proper handling of the acid electrolyte. When performing battery maintenance, the following protection equipment should be available:

- Eye protection side protection safety glasses or goggles,
- 2. Protective apron,

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- 3. Acid-resistant gloves,
- Available source of water in case of acid spills, and
- Bicarbonate of soda for a neutralizing agent (Ref. 13).

Care should be taken to prevent accidental shorts across the battery terminal.

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3.2.13 <u>Sources</u> - A few of the larger U.S. battery manufacturers are listed below.

> Acme Battery Corporation Alexander Manufacturing Company Bright Star Industries Burgess, Incorporated

Chromalloy American Corporation Electra Corporation, Prestolite Battery Division Electrolite Battery Company E.S.B., Incorporated, Ray-O-Vac Division Exide Power Systems Division Gates Energy Products, Incorporated General Electric Co., Battery Business Dept. Globe International Corporation Globe-Union, Inc., Glode Battery Division Gould, Inc., Industrial Battery Division Gould, Inc., Portable Battery Division Gulton Battery Corporation Hughes Aircraft Company Ideal Battery Company Mallory Battery Company McGraw-Edison Company, Edison Battery Division Mule Battery Company Ramsey Engineering Company S.G.L. Batteries Manufacturing Co., Dept. SM Singer Products Company Solfan Systems, Incorporated Standard Electric Company Surrette Storage Battery Company, Incorporated Union Carbide Corporation, Battery Products Div. Varta Batteries Yardney Electric Corporation

Environmental and Physical Facility Considerations -3.2.14 Batteries should be installed in a facility that will ensure that the minimum and maximum environmental operating temperatures of the batteries will not be exceeded. For fuel cycle facilities, this constraint would apply mainly to external systems. Physical protection should be designed into the installation to preclude the possibility of short circuiting the battery and, if the battery is not "maintenance free," to provide ease of checking electrolyte level and adding electrolyte when necessary. Devices which produce sparks, or could otherwise ignite the hyrogen gas produced by the batteries, should not be installed in 'e same area as the battery bank. The standard ambient temperature for rating stationary lead-acid batteries is 77°F (25°C). The discharge capacity of the batteries is reduced as the ambient temperature falls below 77°F (25°C), and battery life is shortened as the temperature rises above that standard rating temperature. Achievement of the best life expectancy for lead-acid stationary battery systems requires an average ambient temperature in the range of 59°F (15°C) to 86°F (30°C). Solid freezing of the battery electrolyte is rare because as the water in the electrolyte

freezes, the specific gravity of the liquid is increased by the increased ratio of acid to the liquid water. Slush ice is formed in a discharged battery at a temperature of approximately -15.8°F (-9°C), while the freezing may not start in a battery with an adequate charge until the temperature drops below approximately -22°F (-30°C). The major battery manufacturers publish data concerning physical and environmental requirements and offer special electrolytes and other provisions to compensate for environmental conditions.

3.2.15 Lifetime and Reliability Estimates - A lead-acid battery bank that is designed for the service that is imposed upon it in terms of charge rates, discharge rates, temperature, depth of discharge, etc., will last from 10 to 25 years. If any of the design limits are exceeded, the life expectancy of the battery will be seriously shortened. For example, the Bell Telephone Company warns that the lifetime of a lead-acid battery bank will be cut in half if the temperature in the room housing the bank goes over 90°F (32°C) more than 30 days a year.

> The life expectancy of any stationary lead-acid cell depends heavily on the thoroughness of the maintenance given to it during its service life. Frequency of deep cycling also can affect life expectancy, especially in calcium alloy pasted plate batteries. When the battery fails to produce at least 80% of its rated discharge capacity, it has ended its service life.

3.3 UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SYSTEMS

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3.3.1 <u>General</u> - One of the most common types of emergency power supply techniques utilized for physical security and safeguards systems in nuclear fuel cycle and reactor facilities is uninterruptible power supplies (UPS). A UPS is any source that protects a critical load from fluctuations or interruptions of the incoming ac power that drives it. The need for a UPS is determined by a number of factors. In general, it can be said that any physical security or safeguards instrumentation system whose operation could be degraded or interrupted by an ac power outage has need for a UPS. Discretion must be used at this point in determining which safeguards systems can tolerate ac line fluctuations or interruptions.

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- 3.3.2 <u>Rotary UPS</u> Early development efforts centered on a rotary UPS. This system rectified the commercial ac power and used the DC to drive a solid-state inverter. The inverter output powered a synchronous motorgenerator set which supplied the critical load. Poor frequency control, slow start-up time, and reliability and maintenance problems make the rotary units impractical, especially if power demand is relatively small.
- 3.3.3 <u>Static UPS</u> More recently, solid-state static UPS systems have become available. The static UPS in its most basic form consists of a rectifier charger, storage batteries, and an inverter, as shown in Figure 7.

Static UPS systems are classified according to the way in which they are operated. There are three common methods, referred to in most cases as continuous, forward transfer, and reverse transfer. There are also three modes of operation for a UPS regardless of its classification. These modes are commonly referred to as operate, emergency, and recovery.

3.3.4 <u>Continuous Method</u> - The continuous UPS system, as shown in Figure 7, is always the final source of power for the critical load. Under normal operating conditions, "operate" mode, the battery charger acts as a rectifier to provide dc to the inverter from the normal ac incoming line. The battery is connected in parallel to the dc being supplied from the charger so that if any failure or voltage drop occurs in the ac line, the batteries provide dc to the inverter. In this manner, no break of any kind occurs in power to the load.

> The battery continues to power the inverter until commercial power is restored or the battery output drops to a level that will no longer drive the inverter. How long the battery will drive the inverter depends on the ampere-hour rating and the size of the inverter load.

The "recovery" mode begins when the commercial power returns to normal. At this time, the rectifier-charger begins to drive the inverter and recharge the battery. When the battery reservoir, as shown in Figure 7, is completely recharged, the UPS is once more in the "operate" mode.





One major advantage of the continuous UPS is that it acts as an ac filter, suppressing voltage transients, power interruptions, waveform distortion, and frequency deviations, ensuring a clean and stable source of power for the critical load (Ref. 3). A major disadvantage with the continuous mode is the lack of a backup power source, as provided with a reverse transfer method of operation.

3.3.5 Forward Transfer Method - In the forward transfer method, the "operate" phase is off-line, and the commerical line actually orives the critical load directly through a transfer switch. During this time, the UPS is rectifying that same commercial line and providing "hot standby" current for the inverter as well as the current necessary to maintain the battery at full charge (Figure 8). The inverter idles during this time, supplying no power to the critical load. When the commercial power is interrupted or fails, a switch transfers the critical load to the inverter. During this 'emergency" mode, the inverter draws current from the battery until commercial power is restored or the battery is exhausted. The return of commercial power is sensed by the UPS. After a fixed delay period (to prevent "nuisance" switching), the load is transferred back to the line. The rectifier-charger again supplies "hot standby" current to the inverter and also begins recnarging the batteries.

> Since the inverter does not continually carry the critical load, UPS reliability should exceed that of a continuous UPS system. Note also that the rectifier charger is never required to provide current directly to the loaded inverter, but need only be large enough to recharge the batteries. This feature can result in a significant cost saving. There is an inherent limitation in the forward transfer UPS. Since the critical load operates from the UPS only when the commercial power is interrupted, it is vulnerable to the transients generated by commercial power switching or circuit breaker trips and reclosures (Ref. 3).

3.3.6 Reverse Transfer Method - Reverse transfer UPS operating modes occur as follows. In the "operate" mode, like the continuous UPS, it acts as a buffer between the commercial power source and the critical load. The rectifier-charger provides current to the inverter and maintains the battery charge (shown in Figure 7). The principle difference between the continuous UPS and the reverse transfer UPS is the



Figure 8. Forward Transfer Mode

inclusion of a backup power source (Figure 17). This alternate power source serves a twofold purpose: 1) it backs up the UPS if it should fail, and 2) it provides a "stiff" current source for clearing faults. This is a vital function since most inverters cannot provide the large amount of current required to blow a fuse or trip a circuit breaker on a branch line of the critical load. The reverse transfer UPS includes circuitry to detect such faults and transfers the critical load to the auxiliary source (usually the commercial line). When the fault has been cleared and the critical load is again normal, the UPS initiates a retransfer.

Hence, the reverse transfer UPS overcomes the disadvantages of both the continuous and forward transfer types. However, the charger must be able to meet the input requirements of the loaded inverter as well as maintain the battery charge. It must therefore be larger than the charger used in a forward transfer system. Also, the inverter is under more stress, since it is always on-line during the "operate" phase (Ref. 3).

3.3.7 Future Improvements Exrected - Of the three basic components in a static ui ystem (i.e., rectifier charger, battery, and the inverter), future improvements are expected in all three areas. Most UPS manufacturers now use lead-calcium batteries as the storage medium. Considering the current activity in battery technology, it is reasonable to expect an improvement over the lead-calcium battery, a strong candidate being the lead-strontium battery. Battery charger techniques utilizing digital electronics have resulted in significant improvements in charger reliability. The inverter determines the ultimate quality of the power that drives the critical load. Continued improvements are being made in the inverter designs. Currently, the three inverter techniques most commonly used by UPS manufacturers are ferroresonant, step-wave, and guasi-square wave.

> All three techniques typically employ a parallel commutated square-wave inverter bridge (Figure 9). The ferroresonant inverter consists of a ferroresonanttype transformer that connects across the square wave output of the inverter bridge (Figure 10). Advantages of the ferroresonant inverter are simplistic design, lack of clcsed-loop feedback, storage of energy in the secondary of the ferroresonart transformer to supply







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surge current when necessary, and current limitation of the transformer in a forward and reverse direction. Ferroresonant inverters work well with single phase systems under 10 kVA and three-phase systems up to 30 kVA.

The step-wave inverter typically consists of four three-phase inverter bridges (Figure 11). This inverter technique is used almost exclusively for three-phase systems and, in particular, those three-phase systems above 30 kVA.

The quasi-square wave inverter utilizes a modified square wave inverter bridge to convert the plus-minus dc level to an ac output (Figure 12). As with the step-wave inverter, a voltage-current feedback is required. Typical applications for the quasi-square wave inverter are for single phase systems above 10 KVA (Ref. 14).

3.3.8 UPS Systems Cost - The major disadvantage of uninterruptible power supplies is systems cost. When compared with generators or comparable emergency power supply devices, a UPS is extremely expensive. In most cases when UPS capability is really needed, systems cost is not the overriding factor. Budgetary 1978 prices for nonredundant UPS systems with rectifier, inverter, and battery are given in Table 7. Hardware costs may vary 15% for a given size unit. Installation cost is approximately 20% of the hardware cost. Dollar figures in Table 7 are for CY 78.

> When considering UPS operation over a long time period, the efficiency at which the device operates should be a point of concern. The UPS itself consumes power as a result of heat losses and charging of the batteries. A 90% efficient UPS would pass 90% of its power to the critical load, the UPS itself consuming 10%. Based on a per-kilowatt-hour cost of five cents, a 75-kVA UPS and associated air conditioning would cost \$25,000 less for electricity over a 10-year period if the UPS were operating with an efficiency of 90% rather than 85%. Optimizing the efficiency of the UPS can be counterproductive, however, in that sometimes efficiency in a UPS can be gained only at the expense of reliability. Due to the important part the inverter plays in UPS system performance (determines quality of output load voltage and contributes significantly to overall system reliability), the specific inverter technique should be considered. Table 8 lists the inverter technique best suited for the particular UPS system requirements.

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Figure 12. Quasisquare-Wave Inverter

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Single Phase KVA	30 Minute Backup	Cost Per KVA
1 2	\$ 6,700	6,700
3	39,600	3,200
5	11,000	2,200
7.5	14,200	1,893
10	16,200	1,620
15	22,500	1,500
20	27,500	1,3/5
57.5	55,500	0,5
Three Phase	15 Minute	Cost Per
KVA	Backup	KVA
37.5	40,000	1,066
75	50,000	666
125	65,000	520
225	80,000	355

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UPS Power Requirement	Ferro-Resonant Transformer	Step Wave Inverter	Quasi Square Wave
1-10 KVA Single Phase	X		
10 KVA and Up Single Phase			Х
Up to 30 KVA Three Phase	х	Х	
30 KVA and Up Three Phase		х	

- 3.3.9 UPS System Selection and Specifications When selecting a UPS, there are five key points of interest:
 - 1. Load requirements,
 - 2. Protection time limits,
 - 3. Power distribution system,
 - 4. Local and national electrical codes, and
 - 5. Building requirements.

Information contained in Table 9 summarizes each of these considerations. A typical specification for an 85-kVA UPS system is given in Table 10.

- 3.3.10 Environmental and Physical Facility Considerations -Primary considerations for UPS operation are proper ventilation to outdoor air for the battery room and sufficient cooling for the UPS operations area. Temperature of the battery storage area should be approximately 75°F (24°C).
- 3.3.11 Lifetime and Reliability Estimates Reliability estimates of UPS systems are very dependent upon the operating mode. Continuous mode systems with no bypass may have mean time between failure (MTBF) rates as low as 8,000 to 10,000 hr, whereas UPS systems operating in the reverse transfer mode with bypass and static switching can experience MTBF rates of 60,000 to 70,000 hr. Redundant and parallel redundant UPS systems, if configured properly, offer the ultimate in system reliability.
- 3.3.12 UPS Vendor Selection A sound approach to obtaining a reliable and reasonably priced UPS system is to develop a limited list of experienced, financially sound vendors. The vendor should be asked to submit a list of installations of similar UPS equipment in service. A list of UPS manufacturers is listed below.

Emerson Electric Company Exide Teledyne, Inet. Solid State Controls, Incorporated Elgar Corporation Topaz Electronics General Electric Company Westinghouse Electric Corporation Cyperex, Incorporated Clary Corporation

Table 9

FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR UPS INSTALLATION

LOAD REQUIREMENTS (KVA)

Present Critical Load - List each item comprising your critical load and gather the following data for each.

Line-to-Line Voltage Average RMS Line Current Average Peak Line Current Real Power in Kilowatts Apparent Power in Kilovolt Amperes Power Factor Maximum Inrush Current and Time Duration

(Much of this information will be found on equipment nameplates. Usually, voltage, current, kilowatts, and power factor will be listed. The KVA ratings can be calculated by multiplying voltage and current or dividing kilowatts by power factor.)

PROTECTION TIME REQUIREMENTS

Controlled Shutdown - Enough time to allow notification or remote terminals.

Continued operation maintaining precise power from battery until standby generator is activated.

3. DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

Load - Power lines from UPS to critical components.

Utility or Input Capacity - Power ratings of utility transformer or substation.

UPS Location - Distance to both distribution system and critical equipment.

- LOCAL AND NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODES
- BUILDING REQUIREMENTS

Floor space needed (UPS and related equipment, spare parts, switch gear, generators, etc.)

Floor load-carrying capacity (pounds/square feet)

Ventilation to outdoor air for battery room

Additional cooling requirements

Amount of outside contracting

Self-installed or turnkey operation (total responsibility to UPS supplier)

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TYPICAL UPS SYSTEMS SPECIFICATIONS FOR 75-KVA MODULE

INPUT		BATTERY DATA	
Voltage No. of Phases Power Factor Frequency Power Walk-in OUTPUT	208 or 480 VAC ± 10%	Battery Type No. of Cells Voltage Range Temperature Specific Gravity Recharge Time GENERAL CHARAC- TERISTICS	Lead Calcium 180 405-315V dc 77°F 1.210 10X Discharge Time
Rating Voltage Voltage Regu- lation Balance Load 50% Unbalanced	75 KVA 208 or 480 VAC, 30 4W ± 1% ± 2%	Controls	Automatic Line Synchronization Circuit Breakers: Input, Output, Bypass, Battery and Control Power
Frequency Frequency Regu- lation Power Factor Phasing Balanced Load 50% Unbalanced	60 Hz ± 0.1%, Adj. ± 3 Hz 1.0 to 0.8 lag 120 ± 1° 120 ± 3°	Instruments	Input Voltmeter and Ammeter Output Voltmeter, Ammeter, and Frequency Meter Battery Voltmeter and Ammeter
Loads Total Harmonics Single Harmonic Overload Short Circuit Current	5% RMS Maximum 3% Maximum 125% Load for 10 Min. 150% Load for 30 Sec. 150%	Alarms Efficiency Environment	Blower Failure, Open Fuse, Low Battery 85% at Full Load 50°F to 110°F 95% Relative Humidity
VOLTAGE TRANSIENTS 50% Step Load Char Loss of AC Input F	(+ 10%, -8%) nge Power	Cooling System Compatibility	Blower Cooled, 4800 CFM, Can be Paralleled with Like Power Supplies
Return of AC Input Removal or Additic One Power Conver Module when Oper in Parallel Loss of One Module to an Internal F	t Power on of rter rating e due Failure	Weight	4500 Pounds
Parallei Transfer of Load f UPS to Bypass or Vice Versa Recovery Time	from		1428 1
To Steady-State within 100 Milli	Conditions iseconds		

4. SYSTEM CONCEPT CONSIDERATIONS - GENERAL

The design of an emergency electric power system must be generated by the application of system engineering principles, not by an attempt to select generators, hatteries, and prime movers to supply a given amount of electric power when "the lights go out." This approach to design entails determining objectives and requirements, then synthesizing the required system. The synthesized system must be analyzed in light of the requirements, and the design must be modified, improved, and optimized as indicated by the analysis. After the iterative application of the above process has been completed, the system can be specified and procured. Care must be exercised during this process to include all necessary provisions for support and growth to ensure a viable system.

4.1 OBJECTIVES

The system engineering process commences with the recognition of a problem, problem definition, listing of constraints, and the establishment of objectives. The problem will be a variation of the theme that some amount of emergency power must be ensured for particular operations when the normally used power source fails. Problem definition entails determining the conditions which will require use of the emergency electric power system, who will be responsible for designing it, how it will be procured, how soon it must be installed, and other outside influences on the system engineering project. The constraints will be time, money, people, energy and physical facilities. Physical facility constraints will determine where and how the system is to be installed. After these factors have been determined, the objectives of the project can be established. The objectives will include design responsibilities, procurement responsibilities, project budget, project schedule, and the overall direction of the project.

4.2 REQUIREMENTS

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General requirements for the emergency electric power system are stated in section 2. Specific requirements include the following considerations, which must be consistent with the general requirements:

Required system output in dc volts and amperes, Required system output in ac volts, amperes, and power factor, Maximum length of time that emergency power system will be required, Maximum tolerable outage time before emergency power system must be started, Allowable tolerance in voltage and current, Availability of energy sources that may be used, Physical sites and accommodations that may be employed, Location of points where emergency power must be supplied, Methods for detecting when emergency power is required, and Electronic monitoring of emergency electrical power supply system.

Reliability required of the emergency power system, Effects of the environment upon the emergency power system, Growth requirements of the emergency power system, Length of time before the system must be operational, Policies that affect the design and implementation of the system, Lightning protection required for towers, control lines, and power lines, and

Survivability of the emergency power supply system.

4.3 SYSTEM SYNTHESIS

The synthesis of the design of the needed emergency electric power system can commence after the objectives and system requirements have been established. The synthesis operation may be no more than determining if a lead-acid or a nickelcadmium battery is to be used to power an emergency telephone system, the capacity rating and other parameters of the battery, and how it is to be charged and switched into service when needed. On the other hand, the requirements may lead to the synthesis of a complicated UPS system with inverters, several different types of power sources, and battery banks. The synthesis must respond to the requirements and produce a system design that will satisfy all requirements.

4.4 SYSTEM ANALYSIS

The resultant design must be analyzed to determine if it is the best method of satisfying the requirements, and if a slight change in the requirements will produce a large simplification in system design. As a result of the analysis, the design may be modified and improved; and the requirements may be examined and modified to enable simplifying of the system design.

4.5 SYSTEM SPECIFICATION

When the system requirements have been analyzed and the resultant system design optimized, the system may be specified. The primary purpose of specifications is to describe a system to meet the established requirements in sufficient detail that misunderstanding between the buyer and seller of the system is avoided. All of the features necessary to meet the system requirements must be described in the specifications since most manufacturers of emergency electric power supply equipment offer a variety of optional features, and there is little standardization among them on the number of features offered on their basic units. The specifications must define the type, size, location, capacity, output characteristics, fuel to be used and overall performance of the system and must establish the responsibility for delivery, installation, testing, and placing the system in operation. The specifications must take into account the procurement method to be used and must include provisions that are compatible with the procurement method.

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4.6 SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS

The system design must contain provisions to ensure that system maintenance, resupply of expendable material, and training of personnel are performed.

4.7 GROWTH REQUIREMENTS

The system design and implementation must contain provisions to expand the system as necessary to keep pace with expansions that may occur in the operations which the emergency electric power system serves.

5. EXEMPLARY SYSTEM DESIGNS

Examples of the five basic emergency power supply techniques discussed in this report will be illustrated.

5.1 ENGINE GENERATORS

Figure 13 shows a standby power system in which power fails from the normal source, two engine generators automatically start. The first generator to reach operating voltage and frequency will actuate load dumping circuits and cause the remaining load to transfer to this generator. When the second generator is in synchronism, it will be paralleled automatically with the first. After the generators are paralleled, all or part of the dumped load is reconnected if the standby capacity is adequate.

5.2 BATTERY SYSTEM

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A standby system in its simplest form, employing one single battery and charger, is shown in Figure 14. Under normal conditions, the battery is maintained fully charged on automatic float/trickle, and the steady continuous load is supplied by the charger. In the event of loss of the ac supply or a breakdown of the charger, the connected load is taken over by the battery without interruption of supply. When the charger and battery are connected permanently to each other and to the load, and the charger regulates the voltage supplied to the load and the battery, the system is known as a stationary or floating battery system.

5.3 UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SUPPLY SYSTEM

5.3.1 <u>Continuous Method</u> - Figure 15 is a block diagram of a continuous method UPS system with a bypass transfer switch which transfers the load back to the line in the event that the inverter fails.





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Figure 14. Diagram of Typical Floating Lead-Acid Battery System



Figure 15. Continuous Mode UPS



Figure 16. Forward Transfer UPS

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- 5.3.2 Forward Transfer Method A forward transfer or line primary type UPS is shown in Figure 16. With this configuration, the load receives power directly from the a.c. line through a switch. When primary power is lost, the load is transferred to the inverter through the switch. This system can be used where short breaks can be tolerated and if inverter isolation and constant regulation are unnecessary. The continuous and forward transfer mode UPS systems are the least desirable systems when compared with the float or reverse transfer systems. Continuous and forward transfer systems constitute less than 2 to 3% of the total UPS sales.
- Reverse Transfer Method By far the most preferred UPS 5.3.3 system is the reverse transfer or float-type system (Figure 17). Under normal operating conditions, the battery charger will operate as a rectifier to provide dc to the inverter from the normal ac incoming line. The battery bank will be connected in parallel to the DC being supplied from the charger so that if any failure or voltage drop occurs in the AC line, the batteries will provide DC to the inverter. In this manner, no break of any kind will occur in power to the load. A zero-break automatic static bypass switch provides automatic bypass of the inverter in case of malfunction or overload. Transfer sensing occurs at the inverter switching stages so that all portions of the inverter are bypassed. The transfer can be accomplished with absolutely no loss (not even a fraction of a cycle) of continuity of power to the load. A manual make-before-break bypass switch can be placed on the output of the system so that all electronic portions can be bypassed manually.
- 5.3.4 <u>Parallel Redundant UPS Systems</u> To improve the reliability of UPS system operation, the basic power elements (rectifier, inverter, and static switch) can be duplicated, resulting in redundant or parallel redundant UPS operations. A system with dual inverters and static switches is shown in Figure 16. The critical load will normally derive its power from inverter Number 1 through the static transfer switch connected at its output. Upon failure of inverter Number 1, or load fault, the static transfer switch will, without interruption, connect the load to inverter Number 2.



Figure 17. Reverse Transfer UPS





For applications requiring large blocks of power and the extra reliability of a redundant system such as the static switching bypass system, two or more inverter continuous systems can be operated in parallei (Figure 19). This requires the addition of paralleling and protection equipment consisting of a static interrupter for each unit as shown, real and reactive load-sharing equipment, and sensing and logic to very quickly detect an individual system problem while operating in parallel with other systems. For example, the logic must detect and isolate a defective reference in a voltage regulator which would otherwise drive the entire system bus voltage out of limits due to the action of the load balance circuit. The systems are sized so that the maximum total load is less than the rating of the combination of all the inverter systems less one. If one system fails, it is detected and isolated by the associated static interrupter rapidly enough so that it will not seriously affect the other systems or the uninterruptible load. The static interrupter is a device similar to the static switch used in the static switching bypass system. Parallel systems requirements should be referred to the manufacturer.

5.3.5 Combination UPS and Engine Generator - The continuous. forward transfer or reverse transfer systems can be combined with an engine generator as shown in Figure 20 to provide for power outages of indefinite duration. The system can also be used to maintain less critical loads such as air conditioning and lighting in a computer installation. Upon power failure, the static UPS provides continuing power to its load. A delay prevents engine starting for short-duration outages. If this short period is exceeded, the engine generator automatically starts, and when stabilized, the transfer switch connects the UPS and the less critical load to the engine generator. While operating from the engine generator, the inverter synchronizing circuit is disconnected so that the UPS will provide stable frequency (and voltage) regardless of starting and stopping of loads such as air conditioners.

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Figure 19. Parallel Redundant System Operation



Figure 20. UPS and Engine Generator System

6. SUMMARY GUIDANCE

A reliable, noise-free source of power (ac or dc) is essential for safeguards and security instrumentation. Whether designing emergency power supply systems for a new facility, for an upgrade of existing facilities, or for specific instrumentation, the requirements of the emergency power system must be defined, followed by system design and optimization. General requirements are defined in Section 2, and specific requirements are detailed in Section 4.2. Typical emergency power supply systems for physical security instrumentation consist of one or more combinations of the following devices: 1) engine generators, 2) batteries, or 3) uninterruptible power supplies.

<u>Generators</u> - Typically, diesel-powered generators are recommended. This is due in part to the durability of the unit and the characteristics of the fuel. A nominal capacity of from 20 to 50 kW should be sufficient for physical security instrumentation needs.

Battery Power - Secondary batteries (lead-acid or alkaline storage) are recommended for most safeguards physical security system needs. Operation and maintenance procedures, as defined in Section 3.2.8, should be established and adhered to. Safety considerations are most important for secondary batteries (lead-acid typically) when maintenance functions are being performed (see Section 3.2.12). Optimum battery performance requires proper environmental and physical facilities (see Section 3.2.14).

Uninterruptible Power Systems - A decision must be made concerning the "real" need for UPS in the physical security system operation. UPS is recommended for the central alarm station and the secondary alarm station. Solid-state static UPS systems are available from a number of reliable vendors (see Section 3.3.12). Static UPS systems are classified according to the way in which they are operated. There are three common methods, referred to in most cases as continuous, forward transfer, and reverse transfer. Of the three methods, the reverse transfer is recommended. Details of the different methods of operation are given in Section 5.3. Inverter techniques recommended are ferroresonant transformer or step-wave inverter for three-phase units up to 30 kVA. Step-wave inverter is the choice for three-phase units above 30 kVA.

Consideration should be given for a separate, stand-alone power supply system for physical security and safeguards instrumentation.

- 1. The central alarm station should have a UPS system for ac and possible dc requirements operating in the reverse transfer mode with generator backup for ar alternate ac power input to the UPS.
- Remote alarm devices should have battery backup with no false alarms generated if primary power is lost. Alarm devices should remain functional during loss of primary power.

3. Consideration should be given for the survivability of the safeguards and security emergency power supply system. A bunkered supply system with capabilities for reactor shutdown only are being contemplated. This system would be onsite and within the protected area. The safeguards and security electrical power source could be part of or physically located within the bunker site.

Each facility should have established an effective maintenance program for emergency power supply systems.

Specific safeguards and security instrumentation devices and appropriate emergency power supply sources are listed in Table 11.

Table 11

SAFEGUARDS AND SECURITY INSTRUMENTATION AND APPROPRIATE EMERGENCY POWER SUPPLY SYSTEMS

	Instrumentation	Generator	Battery	UPS	Solar	Thermoelectric
1.	Lighting					
	A. Control Room			Х		
	B. Facility Perimeter C. Strategic	X		Х		
2.	Intrusion Alarm		Х	х		
3.	Computer Operation	1.54		Х		
4.	Communications Equipment		X			
5.	Surveillance Equipment	Х		х		
6.	Isolated Instrumentation				Х	х

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Fire Prevention Code	
Uniform Building Code	
SOCIETY OF AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERS, INC. (SAE)	
Std. for Engine Test Code-Spark Ignition and Diesel (1971)	J816B
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10.2 Glossary

<u>Alternator</u> - Synchronous generator that converts mechanical power into alternating current (ac) electric power.

Ampere-hour capacity - The number of amperes that can be delivered under specified conditions as to temperature, rate of discharge, and final voltage.

Asynchronous machine - An alternating-current machine in which the rotor does not turn at synchronous speed.

Asynchronous operation - Operation of a machine where the speed of the rotor is other than synchronous speed.

Btu - British thermal unit, a measure of energy equal to 2.930 x 10^{-4} kW-hr.

Discharge capacity - The conversion of the chemical energy of the battery into electric energy.

Float charge - A method of operation for storage batteries in which a constant voltage is applied to the battery terminals sufficient to maintain an approximately constant state of charge.

Generator - A machine that converts mechanical power into electric power, either ac or dc.

kVA - Kilovolt-ampere rating is the product of the rated load amperes and the rated range of regulation in kilovolts. The kilovolts-ampere rating of a three-phase voltage regulator is the product of the rated load amperes and the rated range of regulation in kilovolts multiplied by 1.732.

KW - Kilowatts, a measure of electrical energy defined as being 1000 joule/sec. Electrical power can be determined by

 $P = I^2 R = VI,$

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I = Current (amps), R = Resistance (ohms), V = Voltage (volts).

<u>Power apparent</u> - The product of the root-mean-square current and the root-mean-square voltage.

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Power factor - The ratio of total watts to the total root-meansquare (RMS) volt-amperes.

Watts per phase RMS volt-amperes per phase \underline{RMS} - Root-mean-square is the square root of the average of the square of the instantaneous amplitude taken over the pulse duration. For alternating voltage or current, it is the square root of the mean of the square of the voltage or current, during a complete cycle.

<u>SCR</u> - Semiconductor controlled rectifier, an alternative name used for the reverse-blocking triode-thyristor.

Synchronous operation - Operation where the speed of the rotor is equal to that of the rotating magnetic flux and where there is a stable phase relationship between the voltage generated in the primary winding and the voltage of a connected power system or synchronous machine.

<u>Thyristor</u> - A bistable semiconductor device comprising three or more junctions that can be switched from the OFF state to the ON state or vice versa, such switching occurring within at least one guadrant of the principal voltage-current characteristic.

Transfer switch - A switch arranged to permit transferring a conductor connection from one circuit to another without interrupting the current.

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