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I urge the Department of Ecology to reconsider approving the permits to add new diesel generators for the Sabey data center in Quincy. We must avoid diesel backup power for the health of the community. The current proposal underestimates real-world particulate emissions, fails to account for startup and shutdown pollution, and continues a pattern of piecemeal permitting that ignores cumulative and lifecycle impacts in a community already nearing NAAQS limits.

Approving new diesel infrastructure also conflicts with Washington's Climate Commitment Act and the state's emissions-reduction goals. If these protections cannot be guaranteed, this project should not be approved.