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I am writing to ask Ecology to deny or completely alter the permit for Sabey's proposed diesel generators in Quincy. Sabey's proposal does not address the real-world particulate emissions it will create. For example, it does not account for startup and shutdown pollution. Approving this project is one of many in a string of irresponsible permitting that ignores cumulative and lifecycle impacts in a community already bearing the brunt of systemic pollution.

The community of Quincy is disproportionately impacted by air-pollution already, so adding more with systems that are known to heavily impact community health goes against the environmental-justice and public-health stance the Washington State government purports to promote. Ecology has the authority to require Best Available Control Technology or cleaner backup power alternatives, such as battery storage, instead of locking in long-term diesel pollution. 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.