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Diesel is the steroidal version of fossil fuels. Please consider the below and seek alternatives...

Policy research on data centers shows that diesel generators are one of the most harmful and least scrutinized parts of data-center infrastructure:

Diesel backup generators are a major source of local air pollution, including fine particulate matter (PM2.5), nitrogen oxides (NO_x), and toxic diesel exhaust, pollutants linked to asthma, heart disease, and cancer.

While labeled "emergency" equipment, diesel generators are routinely tested, creating ongoing emissions that add up across dozens of facilities.

Permitting is often done piecemeal, approving one set of generators at a time, which masks the cumulative impact on communities like Quincy.

Communities hosting data centers are frequently rural, agricultural, or communities of color, raising serious environmental-justice concerns when diesel pollution is concentrated there.

Cleaner alternatives exist, including battery energy storage systems and renewable-based backup power, but regulators often fail to require them.