

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Raul Pino, M.D., M.P.H.
Commissioner



Dannel P. Malloy
Governor
Nancy Wyman
Lt. Governor

Drinking Water Section

DWS Circular Letter # 2018-27

To: Community Public Water Systems (CWS) serving less than 10,000 people

From: Lori Mathieu, Public Health Section Chief, Drinking Water Section 

Date: November 1, 2018

Subject: Subsidized Funding Opportunities for the Emergency Power Generators

As a follow-up to Circular Letter 2016-01 dated January 19, 2016 and Circular Letter 2018-13 dated May 18, 2018, the Drinking Water Section (DWS) would like to remind you that you are required to have generator systems capable of operating critical drinking water infrastructure during a power outage installed no later than December 17, 2018 to comply with Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA) Section 19-13-b102(w). It is very common that power outages that occur at a community water system (CWS) result in the loss of distribution system pressure, followed by the interruption of water service to the customers. Back-up generator systems prevent such interruptions of service and allow PWS to continue to provide their customers a source of safe water supply for drinking and other important public health needs until normal utility power is restored.

I would also like to remind you that the DWS's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) offers a program to provide subsidized low interest loans for the purchase and installation of permanent stationary stand-by generator systems. For additional information, please visit the [Emergency Power Generator Program](#) on our website. Applications for DWSRF funding may be submitted at any time and are requested to be submitted electronically to DPH.CTDWSRF@ct.gov. The DPH encourages you to submit an [Eligibility Application](#) as soon as possible if you have not yet installed a generator system to satisfy the regulatory requirement. If your completed application is received prior to December 17, 2018 the DPH will grant you a 12 month extension of time to comply with the requirement via a written Consent Agreement between the CWS and the DPH.

For questions related to funding through the DWSRF program please contact Cameron Walden. For questions related to RCSA Sec. 19-13-B102(w) compliance please contact Michael Hage. They can be reached at (860) 509-7333.



Phone: (860) 509-7339 • Fax: (860) 509-7359
Telecommunications Relay Service 7-1-1
410 Capitol Avenue, P.O. Box 340308
Hartford, Connecticut 06134-0308
www.ct.gov/dph

Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer

