

PSI Heavy-Duty Technical Standard 56300000B - Engine Rating Guidelines

Emergency Standby Power Rating: Applicable for supplying emergency power for the duration of utility power outage. There is no overload capability for the emergency standby rating. Any use of the generator above the emergency standby rating is prohibited. Any unit operating in parallel with a public utility is not considered emergency standby. Emergency standby engine is applicable to a variable load with a maximum average load factor of 82% and 200 hours of operation per year. Emergency standby rating should only be applied in emergency power outages.

Prime Power rating: Applicable for supplying electrical power in lieu of commercially purchased power or providing guaranteed standby power. The prime power rating is applicable for variable loads with limited number of operating hours per year. The average power output shall not exceed 75% of the prime power rating. The total time at 100% Prime power shall not exceed 500 hours per year. A 110% overload rating is available one hour in every twelve hours with the total hours at 110% not to exceed 25 hours per year. Maximum number of hours per year is 2500.

Continuous Power Rating: The continuous power rating is applicable for variable loads with unlimited number of operating hours per year. The power output shall not exceed 75% of the prime power rating. There is no overload capability.