

Letter to Congress

Subject: Support Modernizing Emergency Power Standards in Healthcare Facilities

Dear [Congressman/Congresswoman/Senator] [Last Name],

As a healthcare facilities professional, I am writing to encourage CMS approval and alignment of federal healthcare regulations with the most current **NFPA 110 (2025 edition) Standard for Emergency and Standby Power Systems**.

Emergency power systems are critical to patient safety, clinical continuity, and community resilience. Hospitals must be able to rely on power systems that perform under real-world conditions, especially during natural disasters and grid failures. NFPA 110 (2025 edition) reflects years of lessons learned from these events and incorporates advancements in emergency power system design, performance, and maintenance.

The updated standard strengthens healthcare resilience by:

- Improving emergency power system reliability and readiness
- Supporting risk-based, reliability-centered maintenance approaches
- Providing greater operational flexibility for complex healthcare campuses
- Aligning requirements with modern technologies and practices

Despite these improvements, federal healthcare regulations—most notably those enforced through the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)—continue to reference older editions of NFPA 110. This misalignment creates unnecessary barriers for hospitals seeking to enhance resilience while maintaining strict life-safety compliance.

We respectfully urge Congress to support CMS in updating its referenced standards to align with **NFPA 110 (2025 edition)**. Doing so will help ensure healthcare facilities nationwide are regulated using the most current, consensus-based standards developed with patient safety and system reliability as their core focus.

Thank you for your consideration of this important healthcare infrastructure issue. For additional technical context, Michelle Hilger, CEO and Founder of Mongoose Power Solutions, is available for discussion at michelle@mongoosepowersolutions.com or (215) 370-1119.

Sincerely,

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[Your Title / Role]

[Your Organization]

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