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SERVICE NOTICE

HGI MERLIN GENERATORS

We have recently learnt of a small number of incidents where HGI Merlin Generators have caught fire. Damaged Generators are being recovered for detailed investigation to find the cause of the fire.

Initial investigation suggests that the problem may be caused by a combination of excessive coking of the exhaust during operation of the generators at low loading levels for long periods contrary to manufacturer's advice, coupled with diesel being spilled onto the generator during refuelling. Both these matters can be remedied relatively easily.

However, until our investigations are complete, we cannot be definitive about the root cause and therefore **strongly advise** that with immediate effect these generators are not used.

We anticipate being able to update this advice within a few working days on completion of our investigation.

Yours sincerely

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Managing Director