Mark,

Our previous response was focused on battery operated equipment, including the tablet. However, I have since clarified that a large number of the equipment used to perform our services safely do not run on batteries but require continuous AC power. This equipment is powered by an inverter, which in turn is powered by the truck's engine. This equipment includes the following:

Drop lights	Pro-Tex 4010336 (100W Bulb)
Water pump	Power-flo PF01011 or equivalent
Ventilator	Pelsue 1375D
Strobe Lights	ECCO 3510
Cargo lights in Van	Maxxima M84400

The foregoing equipment will not function without the truck running, and is necessary to ensure a dry, adequately ventilated and well-lit operating environment for our crews. This is in addition to the battery operated equipment that does not require continuous power but does require periodic recharging (i.e. Tablet, flashlights and air monitoring devices).

Thank you and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any additional questions or concerns.

John G. Rigney

Dear Mr. Rigney:

I am writing in response to Osmose's recent application for a variance from section 24-163 of the Air Code. After reviewing your original petition and the follow up information, I still have a few areas of concern. At a recent public hearing on your request, it was suggested that the equipment you are claiming needs to be powered by the vehicle engine could be powered by alternative technologies. While DEP does not endorse the use of a particular product, one example that was suggested at the hearing is the Zebra ET80/85 Tablet, which has an 11-hour battery life. Please provide any information as to technologies you have considered to reduce idling, and why it would not be feasible for Osmose to use alternative technologies, so that I may make a fully informed decision as to whether an unreasonable hardship exists.

Thank you,

Mark