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POWER OUTAGE AT OCCC PUTS FACILITY ON BACK-UP GENERATOR

HONOLULU – The Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) is working with various local electrical contractors to locate and fix a power supply problem that is affecting the facility. The electrical outage began on Friday afternoon. Back-up generators kicked in immediately. All modules are secure. The air conditioning is not hooked into the generator system.

"Our correctional staff are trained for situations such as these. Despite the uncomfortable conditions, they are doing an excellent job providing a safe and secure environment for staff as well as inmates, and at no time has there been any risk to public safety," said Nolan Espinda, Public Safety Director.

In order to help alleviate the uncomfortable conditions, staff have been allowing inmates to have longer recreational periods in the outside rec yard. They are also looking at alternative ways to cool down the modules while the electricity problem is being assessed.

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