10 QUICK SUSTAINABLE WINS POWER- CONCERT TOURING



Run all fixtures through a power advancing app to accurately calculate your peak and nominal power requirements, plus estimated energy consumption; never use types of plugs for power requirements.

ALLOCATE ENERGY BUDGETS

During planning, allocate an energy budget to each production discipline, e.g. audio, LX and video, and work with production suppliers to choose the most energy efficient fixtures.

SCHEDULING

Work with production teams to schedule when generators need to run during build phase; only run gensets in sync when absolutely necessary; share this detail in schedules and call sheets, and affix daily runtime schedules to the outside of generator canopies.

CONNECT TO HOUSE POWFR

Wherever possible, utilise house power; check with venues whether they have a renewable energy tariff and, if not, ask them to explore alternative suppliers; where supplies are not adequate for peak requirements, consider bolstering mains feeds with high storage capacity battery systems (peak shaving); where supplies are considered unreliable, use batteries for redundancy (UPS).

RENEWABLES AND LOW CARBON SOLUTIONS

Consider deploying midsize battery systems, fed by solar PV and hybridised with generators, for baseload management; consider alternatives to diesel, such as HVO biofuel.

RUN GENERATORS EFFICIENTLY

Where generators must be used, size them such that they are running at +50% of total generation capacity to optimise kWh generation vs fuel consumption and reduce emissions.

PEAK SHAVE GENERATORS

Explore options for downsizing generators, for example peak shaving with an inline battery system where only headline acts require additional power.

MONITORING

Use on board telemetry to monitor power generation from generators and battery systems; also monitor at a distribution level, for examples feeds to specific production disciplines, to help set reduction targets in key areas of high energy usage; ensure this is built into contract with power provider.

MINIMUM STANDARD FOR RECORD KEEPING

Ensure that daily runtime hours, kWh generation, peak power output and fuel usage are all recorded on a daily basis for each generator.

TOUR BUSES

Only energise when in use by crew or talent; only run on board HVAC systems when really needed, as these are the most energy intense consumers on the tour buses.

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