

1 Q. With reference to the Project **C-67, Replace Battery Banks and Chargers 2013**,  
2 what is the justification for using VLRA batteries, given their shorter average service  
3 life?

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6 A. VRLA batteries are used when there are space restrictions that prevent the  
7 installation of a larger flooded cell battery bank with equivalent capacity. As  
8 indicated in Section 3.4 - Development of Alternatives of the proposal report:  
9 "Space limitations sometimes dictate that VRLA batteries must be used." VRLA  
10 batteries are also used at locations where the ventilation is not acceptable for the  
11 use of flooded cell batteries.