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TITLE 19NATURAL RESOURCES AND WILDLIFECHAPTER 14GEOTHERMAL POWERPART 26SEALING OFF STRATA

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19.14.26.8 SEALING OFF STRATA:

A. During the drilling of any well, all fresh water strata and salt water strata overlying the geothermal resources strata shall be sealed or separated to prevent the migration of fluids from one stratum to the other.

B. All waters of present or probable future value for domestic, commercial, agricultural or stock purposes shall be confined to their respective strata and shall be adequately protected by methods approved by the division. Special precautions by methods satisfactory to the division shall be taken to guard against loss of artesian water from the strata in which it occurs, and to prevent the contamination of such artesian water strata by any objectional geothermal fluids. Sealing off of strata, and migration prevention shall ordinarily be accomplished by cementing casing.

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