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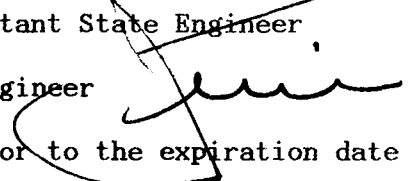
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Robert A. Longenbaugh, Assistant State Engineer

FROM: Jeris A. Danielson, State Engineer 

SUBJECT: Reconstruction of a well prior to the expiration date on the well permit

It has recently been discussed whether a new permit to construct a well must be obtained when a well is found to be unsatisfactory and in need of deepening or replacement and the expiration date on the permit has not passed. To clarify the matter I am adopting the following policy.

A) A new permit is required if, 1) a well completion report confirming completion of the initial well has been received by the Division or 2) if water from the initial well has been diverted for beneficial use.

B) Only one well structure shall be completed under a specific well permit. If an initial attempt to construct a well is unsuccessful the contractor may drill at a new location within 200 feet of the location specified on the well permit provided that the previous attempt is properly plugged and no conditions of approval of the well permit are violated.

cc: Hal Simpson
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