

HYDROGEN SULFIDE DRILLING OPERATIONS PLAN

APPLICABILITY:

The provisions of this plan are effective when drilling operations are conducted in areas where zones may be penetrated that are known to contain, or may be reasonably expected to contain, hydrogen sulfide gas in concentrations of 100 parts per million or more.

TRAINING REQUIREMENTS:

- A. When conducting drilling operations in an area where hydrogen sulfide gas might be encountered, all personnel at the well site will have had proper training in the following areas:
 - 1. The hazards and characteristics of hydrogen sulfide gas (H_2S).
 - 2. Toxicity of hydrogen sulfide and sulfur dioxide.
 - 3. Hydrogen sulfide gas detectors, warning systems, evacuation procedures, and proper use and maintenance of personal protective equipment.
 - 4. Proper rescue procedures, first aid, and artificial respiration.
- B. In addition, supervisory personnel will be trained in the following areas:
 - 1. The effects of hydrogen sulfide on metal components. If high tensile tubulars are to be used, personnel will be trained in their special maintenance requirements.
 - 2. Corrective action and shut-in procedures when drilling or reworking a well, and blowout prevention and well control procedures.
 - 3. The contents and requirements of the Hydrogen Sulfide Drilling Operations Plan and the Public Protection Plan.

There will be an initial training session just prior to encountering a known or probable hydrogen sulfide zone (within 3 days or 500 feet) and weekly hydrogen sulfide and well control drills for all personnel in each crew. The initial training session will include a review of the site specific Hydrogen Sulfide Drilling Operations Plan and the Public Protection Plan. This plan will be available at the well site. All personnel will be required to carry documentation that they have received the proper training.