

**SCHEDULE 6 - GEOTHERMAL SCHEDULE**

Beginning in the year 2005, permit fees pursuant to this schedule shall increase at the rate of fourteen percent (14%). Beginning January 1, 2006, this permit fee will be adjusted annually by multiplying the base permit fee for the previous year by the average percentage rate for the month of August of the previous year (rounded to the nearest half dollar) which is derived by a fraction, the numerator of which is the Revised Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics for All Consumers for the Rural Service Area #7 statistical area (All Items, Base 1982-84 = 100), (the "CPI"), and the denominator of which is the CPI for the same calendar month of the prior year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall the permit fee be decreased and in no event shall any increase exceed 4% per annum, without formal action by the Air Pollution Control District Board. Permit fees shall be paid in accordance with the following schedule:

	Year 2024	Year 2025
Geothermal Exploratory or Test Wells (per well)	\$265.50	\$272.00

For exploratory or other geothermal wells, not drilled or operating in connection with a utilization project, a separate permit shall be required for each well. Such wells may be tested or operated during the year drilled under an Authority to Construct permit. A Permit to Operate shall be obtained for each subsequent year that the well is maintained (i.e. not properly abandoned pursuant to the Division of Oil and Gas requirements). A geothermal well with activity in excess of ninety days per year shall be considered a production facility and pay fees based on that schedule.

**Geothermal Resource Production/Utilization Facility:**

Year 2024	Year 2025
for the first year \$737.50 per MW	for the first year \$756.00 per MW
for each subsequent year \$368.00 per MW	for each subsequent year \$377.50 per MW

Where the facility will generate electricity, the net maximum permitted megawatt production shall be used. Where direct heat utilization, mineral, or other resource production is involved, the Air Pollution Control Officer shall determine a megawatt equivalency based upon comparable geothermal fluid production.

Where different portions of a geothermal project (such as well field, brine handling, and electricity generation, for example), are permitted separately to different operators, the total fee shall not exceed that cited above. The Air Pollution Control Officer, after consultation with the affected permittees, shall apportion the fee among the separate operators considering the following factors: estimated actual and potential emissions, estimated hazard of emissions, and extent of inspection and monitoring required.

An applicant or permittee for a permit assigned such apportioned fee may request a hearing pursuant to the Hearing Board Procedures of the Imperial County Air Pollution Control District. The Hearing Board may reapportion the fee among the affected permittees, but not increase or decrease the total fee.