

Instructions and Definitions

All reporting is cumulative, year to date, and begins with October 1.

Section V. Permit Application

Enter under each well class the total number of permit applications that have been received this year to date. Include all applications: complete and incomplete; individual and municipal well (Area Permit); and applications for “New” and “Existing” wells.

A “New Well” is any well other than an existing well or a plugged/abandoned well that became operable after the effective date of the State (or EPA) Underground Injection Control Program.

An “Existing Well” is any operable (i.e., active, under construction, shut in, or temporarily abandoned) injection well or a properly plugged and abandoned injection well that was in existence on the effective date of the State (or EPA) UIC Program.

Section VI. Permit Determination

Permit Determinations include the approval or denial of UIC permit request/actions such as: applications for permits, major modifications to issued permits, revocation and reissuance of permits, or termination of permits for cause. A complete permit determination includes a thorough technical evaluation of the request, public notification or review before issuance, and a final decision document signed by the regulating authority.

Item A: Enter under each well class the number of individual permits issued for “New” or “Existing” wells this year to date.

Item B: Enter under each well class the number of area permits that have been issued for “New” or “Existing” well fields this year to date. (“New” in this case, describes a nonhazardous injection well field having only new wells or a mixture of new and existing wells. “Existing” describes a nonhazardous well field having only existing wells.)

Item C: Enter under each well class the number of “New” and “Existing” wells covered by the Area Permits entered in Item B.

Item D: Enter under each well class the number of permits or major modifications denied by the State (or EPA) UIC program and/or permits withdrawn by applicants this year to date. The denial of a permit or major modification should be included as a permit determination only after there has been a complete technical review.

Item E: Enter under each well class the number of major modifications approved this year to date. An approved major modification requires a complete technical review, public notification or review, and a final decision document signed by the regulating authority.

Section VII. Permit File Review

A complete technical review of an existing (rule authorized) Class II well record may be conducted by the authorized regulating authority in lieu of a permit determination in accordance with the UIC 1425 Guidance to determine whether the well is in compliance with UIC regulatory requirements. The well record (or file) review may include an evaluation of siting reports, wells in the area of review, construction, operating, monitoring or other State reports. Existing Class II wells should be routinely reviewed at least once every five years during the life of the well.

Well Reviewed: Enter under the appropriate category of injection wells the number of rule authorized (existing) Class II wells with permit files reviewed and compliance status determined this year to date.

Well Deficient: Enter under the Class II well class the number of reviewed rule authorized Class II wells found deficient (not in compliance) that received corrective or enforcement action as appropriate followup response.

Section VIII. Area of Review (AOR)

All wells that penetrate the injection zone in the AOR of an injection well/field are reviewed during permit determination or during any AOR analysis of a rule authorized well file.

Item A: Enter under the well class of each permit application or file that has been reviewed this year to date, the number of “Abandoned” and “Other” wells reviewed in the AOR.

“Abandoned” includes any well penetrating the injection zone in the AOR that has been properly or improperly plugged and/or abandoned. “Other” includes any producing well, operable injection well, dry hole, exploratory well, etc., that penetrates the injection zone in the AOR.

Corrective Action is required for those wells that penetrate the injection zone in the AOR that are improperly sealed, completed, or abandoned.

Item B: Enter under the well class of each permit applications or file reviewed this year to date, all “Abandoned” and “Other” wells in the AOR that have required corrective action.

Item C: Enter under the well class of all permit applications or files that have been reviewed, the number of wells in the AOR which have received corrective action (be specific) this year to date.

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