

Washington, Tanya

From: Nahas, Elisa
Sent: Friday, May 09, 2008 1:57 PM
To: Washington, Tanya
Cc: Farrell, Jerry; Padula, Jerry
Subject: FW: Proposed Regulations

Tanya, please include this submission with the other additional exhibits for Well Drilling. Thanks.

From: Farrell, Jerry
Sent: Friday, May 09, 2008 12:17 PM
To: James Hicks
Cc: Padula, Jerry; Nahas, Elisa
Subject: RE: Preoposed Regulations

Dear Mr. Hicks – Thank you for your email. I will pass it along so that it becomes part of the official record of the public hearing on this matter. At some point soon, the Department will decide on whether to proceed with the proposed regulations, revise them, or take other action. We appreciate your input.

Jerry Farrell, Jr.
Commissioner of Consumer Protection

From: James Hicks [mailto:ucslc@msn.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 07, 2008 1:28 PM
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Commissioner Jerry Farrell Jr.
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May 7, 2008

I am writing in response to the proposed regulations related to well drilling. The definition of a closed loop geothermal system leads me to believe that this work must be done by licensed well drillers only. This eliminates horizontal directional boring contractors or others proficient in the use of boring or piercing tools as well as excavating contractors specializing in underground pipe installation from installing horizontal closed

loop systems above the aquifers. This is an overly broad interpretation of protecting the water supply systems relating to well drillers. A horizontal loop would be much less of a hazard to an aquifer than an underground storage tank yet well drillers do not install those. I must also express my concern of section 25-128-60d which permits a W-8 to work on parts of an engineered system designed for heating and cooling. I do not think that either of these sections is of benefit to the consumer. I do, however, think it is essential to protect the water system and environment and would support measures that achieve those purposes. As a registered engineer and licensed mechanical contractor I do not think that the proposed changes do anything but increase the price of the work and exclude people such as myself from fully participating in advancement of new technology

Sincerely,

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