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OFFSHORE SAMPLING PERMITS

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WAC 344-16-010 Applications for permits. Any person desiring to drill a hole for the purpose of obtaining information about or sampling of the offshore beds of ocean waters within the state of Washington shall make application to the state oil and gas supervisor for a permit authorizing such operation. The supervisor may issue such permits under the terms and conditions of this resolution.

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WAC 344-16-015 Permits—Fee—Conditions of issuance—Duration. Drilling permits for offshore sampling shall be issued upon the payment of a fee of $50.00. No permit shall be valid for a period longer than one year. As a condition of issuance, each permittee shall agree to pay to the supervisor, to defray the cost of observers required by this resolution;

(1) For each necessary observer, the sum of $407.00 monthly in advance for each month or portion of the month during which drilling operations are to be conducted; and

(2) Such additional sum as equals the amount by which actual costs for observers exceed the sums paid in advance, said additional sums to be paid to the supervisor upon receipt of a statement therefor from the supervisor.

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WAC 344-16-020 Vessel must carry. Every boat, ship, or other water-borne vessel or other equipment outfitted with rotary drilling equipment for the purposes described in WAC 344-16-010 shall carry with it at all times during drilling operations:

(1) A valid drilling permit for offshore sampling;

(2) Mud, cement, and equipment which in accordance with good operating procedures would reasonably be deemed adequate to control and seal off any high pressure encountered; and

(3) An observer appointed and employed by the supervisor: Provided, That the supervisor for reasonable cause may waive compliance with this requirement for periods not to exceed twenty-one consecutive calendar days.

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WAC 344-16-025 Permit shall require. Each drilling permit for offshore sampling shall require that:

(1) Upon abandonment of any hole, all rigging and material used in drilling that would constitute a hazard to naviga-