4410.7934 APPLICATION AND MONITORING ASSESSMENTS.

Subpart 1. **Initial assessment.** Every applicant for a drilling permit shall pay to the board an initial assessment of \$20,000 to be paid as follows:

- A. 50 percent accompanying the application; and
- B. 50 percent to be paid five days before the hearing held pursuant to part 4410.7910.
- Subp. 2. **Purpose of assessments and additional costs.** The purpose of the assessments is to cover the actual costs of processing an application or amendments, holding hearings, whether required by law or initiated by the board, or the costs incurred through permit revocation and monitoring the investigative activities, including staff and consultant expenses including housing, travel, office space within the potentially impacted area, equipment, administrative, logistical, and all other costs relating to the monitoring of the investigative activities. If the actual costs exceed the initial assessment the board shall assess the permittee any additional assessments necessary to cover the actual costs.
- Subp. 3. **Method of assessment.** The costs assessed under subpart 2 shall be assessed quarterly, at least 30 days before the start of each calendar quarter, by the board against the permittee. The money paid pursuant to the assessment shall be paid to the board within 30 days after receipt of the assessment, which assessment shall constitute notice of the assessment and demand for payment thereof. The total amount which may be assessed to the permittee under authority of this part shall not exceed the sum of the costs incurred through the monitoring, processing, and related activities. Money received by the board pursuant to any assessment shall be paid to the special revenue fund.

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