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Sec. 2. NAC 519A.235 is hereby amended to read as follows:
519A.235 On or before April 15, 1991, and on or before April 15 of each year thereafter, an operator of an exploration project or mining operation shall submit to the division for services rendered by the division:

~~1. [One hundred dollars for each exploration project which is active on October 1, 1990, and for which a permit has been issued by the division or an application for a permit has been submitted to the division.]~~

For each exploration project which is active on October 1, 1990, and for which a permit has been issued by the division or an application for a permit has been submitted to the division shall submit the following fee:

- (a) \$100 if the total affected area is 20 acres or less;
- (b) \$500 if the total affected area is more than 20 acres but does not exceed 100 acres;
- (c) \$1,000 if the total affected area is more than 100 acres but does not exceed 500 acres; and
- (d) \$2,000 if the total affected area is more than 500 acres.

~~[2. For each mining operation which is active on October 1, 1990, and for which a permit has been issued by the division or an application for a permit has been submitted to the division:~~

- ~~-(a) A fee of \$500 if the total affected area is 200 acres or less;~~
- ~~-(b) A fee of \$1,000 if the total affected area is more than 200 acres but does not exceed 500 acres;~~
- ~~-(c) A fee of \$1,500 if the total affected area is more than 500 acres but does not exceed 1,000 acres; and~~
- ~~-(d) A fee of \$2,000 if the total affected area is more than 1,000 acres.]~~

2. For each mining operation which is active on October 1, 1990, and for which a permit has been issued by the division or an application for a permit has been submitted to the division shall submit the following fee:

- (a) \$500 if the total affected area is 50 acres or less;
- (b) \$1,500 if the total affected area is more than 50 acres but does not exceed 200 acres;
- (c) \$3,000 if the total affected area is more than 200 acres but does not exceed 500 acres;
- (d) \$4,500 if the total affected area is more than 500 acres but does not exceed 1,000 acres;
- (e) \$6,000 if the total affected area is more than 1,000 acres but does not exceed 2,500 acres;
- (f) \$8,000 if the total affected area is more than 2,500 acres but does not exceed 5,000 acres; and
- (g) \$10,000 if the total affected area is more than 5,000 acres.

3. If an operator has filed a corporate guarantee to meet the surety requirements of NAC 519A.350, the operator shall pay an annual review fee of \$10,000. This fee shall be payable to the division on or before July 1 of each calendar year.

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