

DEEP (8-10,000 FT.) SALT WELL DRILLING AND OPERATION

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Abstract

Salt wells can be drilled and operated at depths below 5000 ft. if care is utilized in dilution of the drilling fluid to assure adequate clearance while drilling. Pipe sizes are limited by workover rig hook load capabilities--these then impact flow rates. Caliper logs run on 15-inch hole in salt at 10,250 ft. over a period of a year showed one-inch closure.

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