

## 40 C.F.R. § 146.8

## Mechanical integrity.

- (a) An injection well has mechanical integrity if:
- (1) There is no significant leak in the casing, tubing or packer; and
- (2) There is no significant fluid movement into an underground source of drinking water through vertical channels adjacent to the injection well bore.
- (b) One of the following methods must be used to evaluate the absence of significant leaks under paragraph (a)(1) of this section:
- (1) Following an initial pressure test, monitoring of the tubing-casing annulus pressure with sufficient frequency to be representative, as determined by the Director, while maintaining an annulus pressure different from atmospheric pressure measured at the surface;
- (2) Pressure test with liquid or gas; or
- (3) Records of monitoring showing the absence of significant changes in the relationship between injection pressure and injection flow rate for the following Class II enhanced recovery wells:

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