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Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion (OTEC) is a new alternative to traditional energy sources which is still in the early stages of development. This article examines both domestic and international legal issues which arise in connection with OTEC implementation, and makes recommendations for the resolution of these issues. In particular, the author discusses the regulation and environmental effects of OTEC devices, and questions of jurisdiction on the high seas, in territorial waters, on the continental shelf, and in the Exclusive Economic Zone.

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