

Information collection	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Responses per annum	Burden hour per response	Annual burden hours	Hourly cost per response	Annual cost
Total .....	40	Every 5 years	8	200	1600	\$40	\$64,000

**B. Solicitation of Public Comment**

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

(1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

**Authority:** Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35.

Dated: November 8, 2013.

**Anna Guido,**

*Department Reports Management Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5683-N-101]

**Notice of Emergency Approval of an Information Collection: Record of Employee Interview**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, HUD has requested from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) emergency approval of the information collection described in this notice.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date:* November 21, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB

Control Number and should be sent to: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax: 202-395-5806. Email: *OIRA\_Submission@omb.eop.gov.*

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Saundra A. Green, Administrative Officer, Office of Labor Relations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410, Room 2124 or telephone (202) 402-5537 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at *Saundra.A.Green@hud.gov.* Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Saundra Green.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice informs the public that HUD has submitted to OMB a request for approval of the information collection described in Section A.

**A. Overview of Information Collection**

*Title of Information Collection:*

*Record of Employee Interview.*

*OMB Approval Number:* 2501-0009.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Form Number:* HUD-11 and HUD 11-SP (Spanish).

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The information is used by HUD and agencies administering HUD programs to collect information from laborers and mechanics employed on projects subjected to the Federal Labor Standards provisions. The information collected is compared to information submitted by the respective employer on certified payroll reports. The comparison tests the accuracy of the employer's payroll data and may disclose violations. Generally, these activities are geared to the respondent's benefit that is to determine whether the respondent was underpaid and to ensure the payment of wage restitution to the respondent.

*Respondents:* (i.e. affected public): Business.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 20,000.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 20,000.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.  
*Average Hours per Response:* .25.

*Total Estimated Burdens:* 5,000.

**B. Solicitation of Public Comment**

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

(1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

**Authority:** Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35.

Dated: November 8, 2013.

**Anna Guido,**

*Department Reports Management Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5746-N-01]

**Performance Review Board**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Deputy Secretary, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of appointments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Housing and Urban Development announces the appointments of, Maurice A. Jones, Michael A. Anderson, Towanda A. Brooks, Kenneth M. Leventhal, Susan J. Shuback, Jemine A. Bryon, Stanley A. Gimont, John P. Benison, David R. Ziaya, Damon Y. Smith, Mary K. Kinney, Charles S. Coulter, Jean Lin Pao, Ricky T. Valentine, and Mary E. McBride as members of the Departmental Performance Review Board. The address is: Department of

Housing and Urban Development, Washington, DC 20410-0050.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Persons desiring any further information about the Performance Review Board and its members may contact Juliette Middleton, Director, Office of Executive Resources, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, DC 20410. Telephone (202) 402-3058. (This is not a toll-free number.)

Dated: November 7, 2013.

**Maurice A. Jones,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R3-ES-2013-N199;  
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#### NiSource, Inc.; Record of Decision, Habitat Conservation Plan, Environmental Impact Statement, and Permit Issuance

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), are advising the public of the availability of the Record of Decision (hereafter, "ROD") on an Incidental Take Permit (hereafter, "ITP") issued pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA). The ITP authorizes NiSource, Inc., to take 10 federally listed species over a 50-year period. For availability of the record of decision and associated documents, see **ADDRESSES**.

**DATES:** The ROD is available effective September 13, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** *Document availability:* The ROD and other documents associated with the decision are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a.) and Freedom of Information Act, by any of the following methods:

- *Internet:* You may access an electronic copy of the ROD and related documents on the Internet at <http://www.fws.gov/midwest/endangered/permits/hcp/r3hcps.html>.

- *U.S. Mail:* You may obtain an electronic copy of the ROD, Final Environmental Impact Statement, and Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan on compact disk by submitting a request in writing to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice; see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

- *In-Person:* Printed copies of the documents are available for public inspection and review (by appointment only), at the office listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Thomas J. Magnuson, Regional HCP Coordinator, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 5600 American Blvd. West, Suite 990, Bloomington, MN 55437-1458; 612-713-5467.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We are advising the public of the availability of the ROD associated with an ITP application received from NiSource, Inc., pursuant to the ESA. The ITP issued to NiSource authorizes the take of 10 federally listed species over a 50-year period.

NiSource prepared a multi-species habitat conservation plan (MSHCP) to cover a suite of activities associated with operation, maintenance, and construction of their existing natural gas pipeline system in the States of Delaware, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.

The Service was the lead Federal agency for review of the application and preparation of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the proposed permit issuance. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service (FS) Eastern Region and Southern Region, and the National Park Service (NPS) Southeast Region served as cooperating agencies. Availability of the FEIS was published in the **Federal Register** on June 7, 2013 (78 FR 34402), and June 14, 2013 (78 FR 35928).

#### Background

NiSource, Inc., headquartered in Merrillville, Indiana, is engaged in natural gas transmission, storage, and distribution, as well as electric generation, transmission, and distribution. NiSource, Inc.'s wholly owned pipeline subsidiaries, Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC; Columbia Gulf Transmission LLC; Crossroads Pipeline Company; Central Kentucky Transmission Company; and NiSource Gas Transmission and Storage Company (companies referred to collectively as "NiSource"), are interstate natural gas companies whose primary operations are subject to the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C. 717) and fall under the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and the U.S. Department of Transportation

(USDOT). NiSource applied for authorization under the ESA to take species in the course of engaging in otherwise lawful gas transmission and storage operations. An ITP application under the ESA requires submission of a Habitat Conservation Plan in conjunction with the application.

On July 16, 2009, NiSource filed an application with the Service for a section 10(a)(1)(B) ITP for 10 ESA-listed species known to occur within NiSource's operating territory. These species include the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), bog turtle (*Glyptemys muhlenbergii*), Madison Cave isopod (*Antrolana lira*), clubshell mussel (*Pleurobema clava*), northern riffleshell mussel (*Epioblasma torulosa rangiana*), fanshell mussel (*Cyprogenia stegaria*), James spiny mussel (*Pleurobema collina*), sheepsnose mussel (*Plethobasus cyphus*), Nashville crayfish (*Orconectes shoupi*), and American burying beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*). The MSHCP was prepared to cover a 50-year timeframe.

The Covered Land for the MSHCP and ITP includes 12 counties in Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia, and a 1-mile-wide corridor associated with 15,562 miles of existing NiSource right-of-way within the 14 aforementioned States.

The Covered Activities, or those NiSource activities that fall under the purview of the MSHCP, include a wide range of operation, maintenance, and new construction activities that are specific to NiSource's wholly owned pipeline subsidiaries and to the Covered Land specified in the MSHCP.

The MSHCP evaluated 42 species that could potentially occur within the NiSource Covered Land, and that could potentially be impacted by NiSource Covered Activities. However, after analysis of the 42 species and the Covered Land, it was concluded that NiSource Covered Activities will not adversely impact 32 of the 42 species evaluated. Therefore, NiSource requested incidental take for the remaining 10 species, for which take could be minimized, but not avoided.

In addition to the 42 species evaluated in the MSHCP, 47 additional ESA-listed, proposed, or candidate species are either known to occur or potentially occur within the NiSource Covered Land. Potential impacts to these species are discussed in the FEIS and in the Service's Biological Opinion.

#### NEPA Compliance

Issuance of an ITP by the Service to NiSource is a Federal action that may affect the quality of the human environment and therefore is subject to