

proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the DSS Industrial Security Office, Planning & Execution: Jamaar Deboise, Quantico, VA 22134, or call DSS Industrial Security Office at 571-305-6648.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Associated Form; and OMB Number: Voice of Industry Survey; OMB Control Number 0704-0472.

*Needs and Uses:* The information collection requirement is necessary to provide feedback on DSS performance with respect to the administration and implementation of the National Industrial Security Program (NISP).

*Affected Public:* Individual or households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 6,469 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 12,938.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 12,938.

*Average Burden per Response:* 30 minutes.

*Frequency:* Annually.

Respondents are government contracting activity (GCA) personnel who have a partnership with the DSS regarding the cleared contractors associated with their activities' program(s). The completed surveys will be analyzed by DSS in order to obtain information on DSS relationships with GCAs, and actions will be determined based on feedback from respondents to continue to improve the utility and efficacy of DSS programs and products for government partners.

Dated: May 30, 2018.

**Shelly E. Finke,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Army; Army Corps of Engineers**

**Notice of Solicitation of Applications for Stakeholder Representative Members of the Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Commander of the Northwestern Division of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is soliciting applications to fill vacant stakeholder representative member positions on the Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee (MRRIC).

Members are sought to fill vacancies on a committee to represent various categories of interests within the Missouri River basin. The MRRIC was formed to advise the Corps on a study of the Missouri River and its tributaries and to provide guidance to the Corps with respect to the Missouri River recovery and mitigation activities currently underway. The Corps established the MRRIC as required by the U.S. Congress through the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 (WRDA), Section 5018.

**DATES:** The agency must receive completed applications and endorsement letters no later than July 27, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail completed applications and endorsement letters to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District (Attn: MRRIC), 601 E 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106 or email completed applications to [mrric@usace.army.mil](mailto:mrric@usace.army.mil). Please put "MRRIC" in the subject line.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lisa Rabbe, 816-389-3837.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The operation of the MRRIC is in the public interest and provides support to the Corps in performing its duties and responsibilities under the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*; Sec. 601(a) of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1986, Public Law 99-662; Sec. 334(a) of WRDA 1999, Public Law 106-53, and Sec. 5018 of WRDA 2007, Public Law 110-114. The Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, does not apply to the MRRIC.

A Charter for the MRRIC has been developed and should be reviewed prior to applying for a stakeholder representative membership position on the Committee. The Charter, operating procedures, and stakeholder application forms are available electronically at [www.MRRIC.org](http://www.MRRIC.org).

**Purpose and Scope of the Committee**

1. The primary purpose of the MRRIC is to provide guidance to the Corps and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service with respect to the Missouri River recovery and mitigation plan currently in existence, including recommendations relating to changes to the implementation strategy from the use of adaptive management; coordination of the development of consistent policies, strategies, plans, programs, projects, activities, and priorities for the Missouri River recovery and mitigation plan. Information about the Missouri River Recovery Program is available at [www.MoRiverRecovery.org](http://www.MoRiverRecovery.org).

2. Other duties of MRRIC include exchange of information regarding programs, projects, and activities of the agencies and entities represented on the Committee to promote the goals of the Missouri River recovery and mitigation plan; establishment of such working groups as the Committee determines to be necessary to assist in carrying out the duties of the Committee, including duties relating to public policy and scientific issues; facilitating the resolution of interagency and intergovernmental conflicts between entities represented on the Committee associated with the Missouri River recovery and mitigation plan; coordination of scientific and other research associated with the Missouri River recovery and mitigation plan; and annual preparation of a work plan and associated budget requests.

*Administrative Support.* To the extent authorized by law and subject to the availability of appropriations, the Corps provides funding and administrative support for the Committee.

*Committee Membership.* Federal agencies with programs affecting the Missouri River may be members of the MRRIC through a separate process with the Corps. States and Federally recognized Native American Indian tribes, as described in the Charter, are eligible for Committee membership through an appointment process. Interested State and Tribal government representatives should contact the Corps for information about the appointment process.

This Notice is for individuals interested in serving as a stakeholder member on the Committee. Members and alternates must be able to demonstrate that they meet the definition of "stakeholder" found in the Charter of the MRRIC. Applications are currently being accepted for representation in the stakeholder interest categories listed below:

- a. Environmental/Conservation Org;
- b. Hydropower;
- c. Local Government;
- d. Major Tributaries;
- e. Navigation;
- f. Recreation;
- g. Thermal Power; and
- h. Water Supply

Terms of stakeholder representative members of the MRRIC are three years. There is no limit to the number of terms a member may serve. Incumbent Committee members seeking reappointment do not need to re-submit an application. However, they must submit a renewal letter and related materials as outlined in the "Streamlined Process for Existing Members" portion of the document

*Process for Filling MRRIC Stakeholder Vacancies (www.MRRIC.org).*

Members and alternates of the Committee will not receive any compensation from the federal government for carrying out the duties of the MRRIC. Travel expenses incurred by members of the Committee are not currently reimbursed by the federal government.

*Application for Stakeholder Membership.* Persons who believe that they are or will be affected by the Missouri River recovery and mitigation activities may apply for stakeholder membership on the MRRIC. Committee members are obligated to avoid and disclose any individual ethical, legal, financial, or other conflicts of interest they may have involving MRRIC. Applicants must disclose on their application if they are directly employed by a government agency or program (the term "government" encompasses state, tribal, and federal agencies and/or programs).

Applications for stakeholder membership may be obtained electronically at [www.MRRIC.org](http://www.MRRIC.org). Applications may be emailed or mailed to the location listed (see **ADDRESSES**). In order to be considered, each application must include:

1. The name of the applicant and the primary stakeholder interest category that person is qualified to represent;
2. A written statement describing the applicant's area of expertise and why the applicant believes he or she should be appointed to represent that area of expertise on the MRRIC;
3. A written statement describing how the applicant's participation as a Stakeholder Representative will fulfill the roles and responsibilities of MRRIC;
4. A written description of the applicant's past experience(s) working collaboratively with a group of individuals representing varied interests towards achieving a mutual goal, and the outcome of the effort(s);
5. A written description of the communication network that the applicant plans to use to inform his or her constituents and to gather their feedback, and
6. A written endorsement letter from an organization, local government body, or formal constituency, which demonstrates that the applicant represents an interest group(s) in the Missouri River basin.

To be considered, the application must be complete and received by the close of business on July 27 2018, at the location indicated (see **ADDRESSES**). Applications must include an endorsement letter to be considered complete. Full consideration will be

given to all complete applications received by the specified due date.

*Application Review Process.*

Committee stakeholder applications will be forwarded to the current members of the MRRIC. The MRRIC will provide membership recommendations to the Corps as described in Attachment A of the *Process for Filling MRRIC Stakeholder Vacancies* document ([www.MRRIC.org](http://www.MRRIC.org)). The Corps is responsible for appointing stakeholder members. The Corps will consider applications using the following criteria:

- Ability to commit the time required.
- Commitment to make a good faith (as defined in the Charter) effort to seek balanced solutions that address multiple interests and concerns.
- Agreement to support and adhere to the approved MRRIC Charter and Operating Procedures.
- Demonstration of a formal designation or endorsement by an organization, local government, or constituency as its preferred representative.
- Demonstration of an established communication network to keep constituents informed and efficiently seek their input when needed.
- Agreement to participate in collaboration training as a condition of membership.

All applicants will be notified in writing as to the final decision about their application.

*Certification.* I hereby certify that the establishment of the MRRIC is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Corps by the Endangered Species Act and other statutes.

Dated: May 18, 2018.

**Mark Harberg,**

*Program Manager for the Missouri River Recovery Program (MRRP).*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Notice of Request for Information (RFI) on Marine and Hydrokinetic (MHK) Metrics in the U.S. for System and Subsystem Performance

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Request for Information (RFI).

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on its Request for Information (RFI) on Marine and Hydrokinetic (MHK) metrics in the U.S. for system and subsystem performance. The Office of Energy

Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) is specifically interested in feedback on (1) the performance metrics identified within the document titled "Existing Ocean Energy Performance Metrics" relating to performance in the U.S. marine resource, as well as any additional applications, assumptions, benefits, drawbacks, or other considerations for those metrics, (2) any performance metrics not captured within the "Existing Ocean Energy Performance Metrics" documents, (3) considerations for baseline reference values documenting the current state of the U.S. MHK industry identified by metric and resource type, and (4) feedback specifically on Technology Readiness Level (TRL) definitions as referenced in the document and as those TRL definitions relate to the U.S. MHK industry.

**DATES:** Responses to the RFI must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. (ET) on July 31, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties are to submit comments electronically to [WPTORFI@ee.doe.gov](mailto:WPTORFI@ee.doe.gov). Responses must be provided as attachments to an email. Include "MHK Metrics RFI" as the subject of the email. It is recommended that attachments with file sizes exceeding 25MB be compressed (*i.e.*, zipped) to ensure message delivery. Responses must be provided as a Microsoft Word (.docx) attachment to the email, and no more than 10 pages in length, 12 point font, 1 inch margins. Only electronic responses will be accepted. The complete RFI document is located at: <https://eere-exchange.energy.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Questions may be addressed to [WPTORFI@ee.doe.gov](mailto:WPTORFI@ee.doe.gov). Further instruction can be found in the RFI document posted on EERE Exchange.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this RFI is to solicit feedback from industry, academia, research institutions, government agencies, and other stakeholders on assumptions and uncertainties with metrics in the U.S. that are used to evaluate MHK system and subsystem performance. In addition to levelized cost of energy, various other metrics, as documented in "Existing Ocean Energy Performance Metrics" (collocated with this RFI on EERE Exchange, <https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/>), have historically been utilized to evaluate and track progress within the MHK industry. EERE is specifically interested in feedback on the application and limitations of those metrics that are currently used or have been used previously, and is also soliciting