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**Willie R. Taylor,**

*Director, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Application

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

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of application.

The following applicant has applied for a permit amendment to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*).

Permit Number TE 049738

*Applicant:* Mainstream Commercial Divers, Inc., Murray, Kentucky.

The applicant requests a permit to take (collect) all endangered and threatened mussel species throughout eastern and central United States. Activities are proposed for studies to identify populations of listed species and to develop methods to minimize or avoid project related impacts to those populations. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056, and must be received within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with this application are available for review by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056. Telephone: (612) 713-5343; FAX: (612) 713-5292.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Rate Adjustments for Indian Irrigation Projects

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rate adjustments.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) owns, or has an interest in, irrigation facilities located on various Indian reservations throughout the United States where rates are established to recover its costs to administer, operate, maintain, and rehabilitate those facilities. We propose to publicize rate adjustments once a year for all of these facilities instead of several times during the year for individual facilities. We request your comments on the proposed rate adjustments.

**DATES:** Interested parties may submit comments on the proposed rate adjustments on or before May 7, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** All comments on the proposed rate adjustments must be in writing and addressed to: Terrance Virden, Director, Office of Trust Responsibilities, Attn.: Irrigation and Power, MS-3061-MIB, Code 210, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20240; Telephone (202) 208-5480.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For details about a particular irrigation project, please use the tables in **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section to contact the regional or local office where the project is located.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The tables in this notice list the irrigation project contacts where the BIA recovers its costs for local administration, operation, maintenance, and rehabilitation, the current irrigation assessment rates, and the proposed rates for the 2002 irrigation season and subsequent years where applicable.

#### What Are Some of the Terms I Should Know for This Notice?

The following are terms we use that may help you understand how we are applying this notice.

*Administrative costs* means all costs we incur to administer our irrigation projects at the local project level. Local project level does not normally include the Agency, Region, or Central Office costs unless we state otherwise in writing.

*Assessable acres* means lands designated by us to be served by one of our irrigation projects and to which we

provide irrigation service and recover our costs. (*See Total assessable acres.*)

*BIA* means the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

*Bill* means our statement to you of the assessment charges and/or fees you owe the United States for administration, operation, maintenance, and/or rehabilitation. The date we mail or hand deliver your bill will be stated on it.

*Costs* means the costs we incur for administration, operation, maintenance, and rehabilitation to provide direct support or benefit to an irrigation facility.

*Customer* means any person or entity that we provide irrigation service to.

*Due date* is the date on which your bill is due and payable. This date will be stated on your bill.

*I, me, my, you, and your* means all interested parties, especially persons or entities that we provide irrigation service to and receive beneficial use of our irrigation projects affected by this notice and our supporting policies, manuals, and handbooks.

*Irrigation project* means, for the purposes of this notice, the facility or portions thereof, that we own, or have an interest in, including all appurtenant works, for the delivery, diversion, and storage of irrigation water to provide irrigation service to customers for which we assess periodic charges to recover our costs to administer, operate, maintain, and rehabilitate. These projects may be referred to as facilities, systems, or irrigation areas.

*Irrigation service* means the full range of services we provide customers of our irrigation projects, including, but not limited to, water delivery. This includes our activities to administer, operate, maintain, and rehabilitate our projects.

*Maintenance costs* means all costs we incur to maintain and repair our irrigation projects and equipment of our irrigation projects and is a cost factor included in calculating your O&M assessment.

*Must* means an imperative or mandatory act or requirement.

*Operation and maintenance (O&M) assessment* means the periodic charge you must pay us to reimburse our costs.

*Operation or operating costs* means costs we incur to operate our irrigation projects and equipment and is a cost factor included in calculating your O&M assessment.

*Past due bill* means a bill that has not been paid by the close of business on the 30th day after the due date, as stated on the bill. Beginning on the 31st day after the due date we begin assessing additional charges accruing from the due date.