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## **NIPSCO JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS RECEIVE OVERWHELMING RESPONSE** *Thousands Apply For Meter Reader and Construction Jobs*

**Merrillville, Ind.-** NIPSCO's announcement in January that it was hiring for meter reader and construction helper positions received an overwhelming response. A total of 4,732 people applied for the jobs online, after a NIPSCO news release went out on January 22.

"These are good jobs with good benefits. With today's economy, we knew that there would be some interest, but we didn't anticipate that there would be thousands of applications," said Leslie Gerson, Director of Human Resources. "At times, there were so many people trying to access the online application tool, that the server couldn't handle the high volume of activity. We quickly posted a message asking for the patience of those applying."

Presently, the application process for these positions is closed, and the applicant screening process will move forward now for the 125 available positions.

"We sincerely appreciate the interest in these positions," Gerson added. "We hope to have our new employees onboard in the next few weeks."

NIPSCO is an equal opportunity employer.

NIPSCO, with headquarters in Merrillville, Ind., is one of the 10 energy distribution companies of NiSource Inc. (NYSE: NI). With over 712,000 natural gas customers and 445,000 electric customers across the northern third of Indiana, NIPSCO is the largest natural gas distribution company, and the second largest electric distribution company, in the state. NiSource distribution companies serve 3.8 million natural gas and electric customers primarily in seven states. More information about NIPSCO is available at [www.nipsco.com](http://www.nipsco.com).

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