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WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR III

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Public Works/Wastewater

GRADE: 7

GROUP: AFSCME

FLSA STATUS: Non Exempt

Effective Date: November 17, 2011

SUMMARY

An employee in this class is responsible for the continuous operation and maintenance of the treatment plants and allied facilities, on an assigned shift. Duties involve continuous inspection and evaluation of the complete treatment plant operation to ensure correct, efficient plant performance. General supervision and guidelines are received from the the Supervisor and the Division Manager, and work is performed in accordance with established procedure; however, the incumbent must be technically competent to make necessary adjustments in the operation when unusual or emergency conditions arise, with a minimum of detailed instructions.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

Any one position may not include all the duties listed, nor do the listed examples include all the tasks which may be performed in positions of this class.

Inspects plant and equipment to ascertain that it is in proper operation at all times, making required adjustments when necessary;

Collects and stores samples, and performs routine laboratory analysis;

Reports and discusses operating problems, equipment, and maintenance with supervisor;

Reports supply needs;

Keeps operating records and prepares required reports;

Reads and logs meter, gauge, and dial readings;

Operates, maintains, and performs minor repairs to pumps, motors, and equipment;

Keeps all equipment and buildings clean; performs a variety of routine custodial tasks as assigned.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Education and/or experience

Completion of standard High School education (12 years or equivalent); supplemented by courses in chemistry, bacteriology, mechanics and hydraulics, or any combination of experience and training which provides the required skills and abilities;

Must satisfactorily pass the Wastewater Treatment Operator Grade Level III examination, and be able to demonstrate through application all knowledge required to achieve the Grade III Certification, as outlined by the State of Oregon Administrative Rules, Department of Environmental Quality;

Considerable experience in operating wastewater treatment plants and allied facilities;

Ability to act in lead person capacity.

Must possess and maintain a valid Oregon Driver's License.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill and/or ability required.

Knowledge of:

Modern wastewater treatment plant principles, operating practices and equipment; Ability to study and understand plant operating and maintenance manuals and perform required services;

Ability to:

Keep accurate records and reports;

Must have good judgment, dependability, and good physical condition. Desire for advancement in Wastewater field.

PRE-EMPLOYMENT

Job offers for this position are contingent on the individual passing a pre-employment drug screen.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable qualified individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to use hands to finger, handle, or feel objects, tools, or controls. The employee is frequently required to sit and reach with hands and arms. The employee is occasionally required to stand and walk for extended periods of time.

The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 100 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, color vision, distance vision, depth perception, peripheral vision and the ability to adjust focus.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable qualified individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee regularly works near moving mechanical parts and in outside weather conditions and is exposed to fumes or airborne particles and vibration. The employee works in treatment process, construction and confined space environments.

The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate.

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