

MAJOR FUNCTION

This is an apprentice training program designed to provide the knowledge, skill and experience needed to qualify for Water Analyst. The apprenticeship experience consists of study and work in the respective specialized area. Class incumbents must make satisfactory progress as the training program develops to include more complex and hazardous demands. Work is performed in accordance with established policies and procedures under the general direction of supervisory or journeyman level workers. Work is reviewed through inspection of work in progress and upon completion. Advancement in the apprenticeship program will be dependent upon successful demonstration of mastery of the required competencies for the applicable apprenticeship progression.

ESSENTIAL AND OTHER IMPORTANT JOB DUTIES**Essential Duties**

This is a multiyear apprenticeship program that moves an individual from the most basic power plant water analysis duties to the journey level duties as a Water Analyst. Over the course of the program, the incumbent will: Participate in training (classroom & OJT); Learn and demonstrate operational competencies in the various power plant water analyst systems including condensate, feedwater, demineralizers, zero discharge facilities, cooling towers, closed cooling (radiators and others) and related auxiliaries. Assists in performing quantitative chemical analyses of water used in various plant systems and addition of water treatment additives as required. Assists in preparing and mixing chemicals. Assists in maintaining chlorination systems and cooling tower acid systems. Assists in general maintenance work on system equipment in the lab. Assists in the operation of water purification equipment for periodic regeneration and routine maintenance. Makes quantitative and qualitative analysis of water used in the generation of steam. Makes adjustments to power plant water system based on the analysis of the water. Maintains all plant lab records, orders laboratory chemicals and calibrates laboratory equipment as directed. Performs clean-up in the general work area when regular assignments are completed. Attends various training courses and engages in independent study of power plant equipment operations and maintenance. Participates on the plant hazardous material and oil spill response teams. Performs additional duties as required.

Other Important Duties

Performs related work as required

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS**Knowledge, Abilities and Skills**

Progressively increasing knowledge of methods and technology essential to the appropriate line of progression. Progressively increasing knowledge of power plant operations and maintenance practices and procedures. Progressively increasing knowledge of applicable safety work practices and rules. Progressively increasing knowledge of occupational and environmental hazards associated with general maintenance and operations. Ability to develop the skills required for the journeyman level work in the respective area of progression. Ability to learn through the theory and application of practices and principles as they relate to the specific line of progression. Ability to follow oral and written instructions, read technical manuals and blueprints. Ability to work cooperatively with other employees and employ good judgment in complying with instructions and safety measures. Ability to work in adverse weather and operating conditions, including performing heavy manual tasks. Ability to work at heights, climb ladders and work in enclosed spaces.

Minimum Training and Experience

Possession of a high school diploma or an equivalent recognized certificate.

Necessary Special Requirements

Must be medically certified to wear a respirator and pass a respirator fit test prior to employment.

An employee assigned to the Purdom Power Plant, or who occasionally may be required to have unescorted access to the Port Facility portion of the Purdom Power Plant, as determined by the General Manager-Electric & Gas, must obtain Transportation Workers Identification Credentials (TWIC) within 90-days of employment, and must maintain such credentials throughout his/her period of employment in that capacity as a condition of continued employment.

Individuals in this classification are considered essential during emergency and storm situations and must be able to work 16 hours per day for extended periods of time and may be required to be away from their family.

Individuals in this classification must be available to serve on-call and are subject to having to work outside of their assigned shift/schedule to meet operational needs.

Applicants for this classification must be able to pass the City of Tallahassee-Electric & Gas pre-employment screening and assessment program.

Individuals in this classification are in an apprentice program that is an "up or out" program. As such, they must show continued advancement through the program or will be subject to termination.

Must obtain within one year, and maintain for continued employment, HAZMAT and oil spill certifications within one year of employment.

Must possess a valid class "E" State driver's license at time of appointment.

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