Chief water production operator

Perform responsible skilled and lead work ensuring the proper and effective operation of a water treatment plant and constructed well fields. Position may require shift work. Salary based on experience.

Essential Job Functions

- Take water samples and complete laboratory tests on chlorine, water chemistry, and iron; properly adjust chemicals for the treatment process.
- Complete rounds to evaluate treatment process, chemical feeders, basin trains, and chemical analyzers for proper usage.
- Record data from meters, gauges, control panels, adjust chemical feed equipment for proper chemical feed rates.
- Order and stock laboratory and treatment plant with supplies as needed.

Ancillary Job Functions

- Provide guidance and training to less experienced operators.
- Assist higher level plant operator or utility maintenance supervisor in performing electrical and mechanical repairs and maintenance.
- Clean and maintain treatment plant, pumping stations, and wells.
- Prepare and paint equipment, walls floors, and the like; wash, wax, and buff floors; empty trash; clean and sanitize bathroom fixtures, drinking fountains, and sinks; and dust furniture, shelves, counters, and other surfaces.
- Perform other related duties as assigned.

Education and Experience - An equivalent combination of education, training and experience will be considered

- High school diploma or equivalent.
- Minimum of 1 year of relevant experience.
- Must possess and maintain a minimum of a "C" level water operator's certificate from Missouri Department of Natural Resources.
- Must maintain a valid driver's license.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities which may be representative, but not all-inclusive of those commonly associated with this position

- Knowledge of standard practices, methods, tools, materials, and equipment of water treatment activities.
- Knowledge of safety standards and precautions connected with water treatment.
- Knowledge and understanding of state and federal standards and regulations related to the operation of a drinking water system.
- Ability to use and maintain bench/hand tools and test equipment associated with water treatment.
- Ability to read meters and gauges and to record findings.
- Ability to take water samples and conduct routine laboratory tests.
- Ability to understand and follow written and oral instructions.
- Ability to work cooperatively with others.

Work Environment – Environmental or atmospheric conditions commonly associated with the performance of the functions of this job

- May be required to work in confined spaces, hazardous traffic conditions, or high/dangerous places.
- May be exposed to wet/humid conditions, inclement outdoor weather, vibration, extreme temperatures, mechanical oils, airborne particles/fumes, moving mechanical parts, risk of electrical shock, potentially hazardous chemicals, or loud noise levels.

Physical Abilities that are commonly associated with the performance of the functions of this job. The physical demands described below 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 individuals with disabilities to perform essential functions

- Often required to talk and listen.
- Must be able to feel attributes of objects, grasp, push, stand, walk, drive, reach with hands/arms, stoop, kneel, crouch, climb/balance, and operate mechanical equipment.
- Regularly required to have repetitive wrist, hand, and/or finger movement.
- Must have clarity of vision, three-dimensional vision, ability to identify and distinguish colors, and precise hand-eye coordination.
- May be required to lift 100 or more pounds.
- Regular attendance is a necessary and essential function.

Great Benefits

- 100% employer paid medical insurance for employee
- 5 vacation days after first year, 10 days after 2 years, 15 days after 5 years, 20 days after 10 years, 25 days after 20 years.
- LAGERS pension after a 3-year vesting period
- Sick / personal days 1 per month worked up to 10 days per year
- 12 paid holidays