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JOB POSTING
DEPARTMENT of PUBLIC SERVICES
Water Division

Job Title: Water Treatment Plant Operator

Civil Service: Official Service

Union: AFSCME Local 364

Grade: 15

Location: Winona Water Treatment Plant

Schedule: Vacancies following schedule:

Maintenance; Monday Tuesday and Wednesday 7:00 AM -3:00 PM; Plant Operator, Friday 11:00 PM – 7:00 AM and Saturday 11:00 PM – 7:00 AM.

Summary of Position responsibilities:

The Water Treatment Operator is to perform operation and maintenance duties for the City's water treatment plants and remote facilities. Water treatment plant operators run equipment, control processes and monitor the plants treatment process to make water safe.

The job duties for this position are as described but not limited as follows

1. Operate the WTP under the direction of the Supervisors.
2. Monitor and operate water treatment processes, and auxiliary systems such as TRAV-VAC and emergency power systems either manually or using the SCADA system.
3. Conduct onsite inspections of water treatment processes and other auxiliary systems.
4. Collects water samples and performs field or laboratory water quality analyses.
5. Calibrates laboratory instrument
6. Conducts laboratory quality assurance and quality control analyses.
7. Adjust the online instruments according to the water quality analyses.
8. Perform maintenance of laboratory instruments and online analyzers.
9. Execute the valve switching under the direction of the Supervisors
10. Evaluate chemical usage and current inventory. Order and schedule chemical deliveries to maintain adequate chemical storage. Receives chemicals according to established procedures for security, quality and safety, which may include mixing and diluting chemicals.
11. Creates records and logs associated with the water treatment operations.
12. Respond to incidental and emergency chemical releases under the direction of Supervisors or Incident Commander according to established protocols.

13. Perform plant maintenance duties which are comprehensive in regard to maintenance obligations.

Qualifications:

Education and Experience: High school diploma or general education development test (GED) and one year of water related experience at surface water treatment plant.

License: Must possess a valid Massachusetts certified Grade 2 Drinking Water Treatment Operator License;

Have a valid Mass. driver's license (car, pick-up truck)

Demonstrated experience in use of computer applications (SCADA).

Competent in written communication; able to read and communicate in English. Able to read and comprehend fully technical instructions.

Hearing sufficient to recognize equipment with functioning difficulties.

Job Environment & Physical Demands:

Work Environment: The work environment involves risks with exposure to potentially dangerous situations or environmental stress and requires a range of safety precautions, e.g., irritant chemicals, electrically energized equipment including high voltage systems, working at heights; work may be required to be done in extreme outdoor weather conditions or similar situations where conditions cannot be controlled.

Physical Demands: The work requires considerable and strenuous physical exertion such as frequent climbing of tall ladders, lifting heavy objects over 50 pounds, and crouching or crawling in restricted areas.

Vision Requirements: Color vision (ability to identify and distinguish colors); read from a variety of sources.

Work schedule: 40-hour work week. Work schedule may involve work on holidays.

Emergency and Stand-by Service: Employees in this position may be required to work rotating shifts and/or stand-by service to address operational needs and emergencies as required. May be required to work extended periods and may require performing job at the second Peabody Water Treatment Plant. Must be able to work rotating shifts.

POSTING DATE: 8/12/15

Internal AFSCME Local #364 candidates apply by 8/19/15. Apply to the HR Dept. at City Hall, room 204, 24 Lowell St.; e-mail cathy.trombley@peabody-ma.gov; fax 978-538-5982. The City is an EOE