### POSITION DESCRIPTION

Class Title: Water Treatment Plant Operator

<u>EEOC:</u> Technicians <u>FLSA:</u> Non Exempt

## **Summary of Position**

Operates and maintains the water treatment facility, including performing tests on pumps, motors, and water, maintaining logs, and performing preventive and corrective maintenance on equipment.

# Organizational Relationships

- 1. Reports to: Supervisor, Water Operations
- 2. Directs: This is a non-supervisory position; however, may provide direction to Water Treatment Operator Trainee.
- 3. Other: Has contact with other employees and with the general public.

### Examples of Work

## **Essential Duties**

- 1. Operates and maintains the water treatment facilities as required by state, and federal guidelines.
- 2. Performs periodic tests on water treatment facility pumps, motors, and water, and takes appropriate reading of gauges and meters.
- 3. Records plant telemetry information from satellite pumping stations, and maintains records of water treatment facility operations.
- 4. Performs routine inspections of water treatment facilities, monitors pumps, tanks, chemicals, and filters, visually and with computer system, and adjusts equipment and chemicals to maintain specified operating conditions.
- 5. Performs various chemical analyses, including pH, alkalinity, chlorine, turbidity, fluorides, and hardness tests, and ensures proper calibration of measuring equipment.

- 6. Calculates various daily, weekly, and monthly chemical usage and water statistics, and records data on logs and charges.
- 7. Ensures cleanliness of water facilities and cleans equipment as necessary.
- 8. Must be able to lift at least 50lbs.
- 9. Must be on call and respond to emergency situations.
- 10. Performs corrective and preventive maintenance of water treatment equipment.
- 11. Performs minor welding when necessary.
- 12. Assists in preparing reports to state and federal regulatory agencies as required.

### Other Duties:

- 1. Performs such other related duties as may be assigned.
- 2. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

# Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

Knowledge of methods, practices, and equipment used in water treatment facilities; plumbing; minor electrical repair; basic chemistry; pumps and motors; water chemical analyzing equipment; city, state and federal water treatment specifications and regulations; and laboratory testing and procedures.

Skill/Ability to: learn and comply with state and federal regulations applicable to water treatment facilities; perform simple mathematical calculations; establish and maintain effective working relationships with coworkers; demonstrate proficiency in both oral and written communication; tolerate outside working conditions, including exposure to adverse weather conditions; and maintain appropriate necessary certifications.

## Acceptable Experience and Training

High school graduation, or its equivalent, plus at least two years of experience in water treatment operations; or any equivalent combination of experience and training which provides the required knowledge, skills, or abilities.

## Certificates and Licenses Required

Class C Surface Water Certification from the TCEQ.

Texas driver's license.