

Job Details

Job Title: Water & Gas Serviceman

Job Type: Full-time

Starting Pay: \$13.00/hr

Work Location: Primarily fieldwork, some internal work as needed

Schedule: Normally scheduled to work 40 hours a week; Hours scheduled 4-Day work week from 7 am – 5 pm

Job Information

Employer Summary:

The Sweetwater Utilities Board (SUB) is a municipal utility system that provides Electric, Water, Wastewater, and Natural Gas services to East Tennessee's Sweetwater Valley. Since its establishment in August of 1939, our mission has been to meet and supply the demands of a rapidly growing area by providing reliable, friendly, competitively-priced services to our customers.

As our system continues to expand and grow, we currently serve over 9500 electric, 4800 water, 2300 wastewater, and 1500 natural gas customers. We employ 54 hard-working, dedicated utility professionals who strive to deliver a service that meets or exceeds customer expectations.

At SUB, we promote a culture characteristic of small-town family values that, along with a generous benefits package, inevitably leads to employee satisfaction and retention!

Work Description: A Water & Gas Serviceman installs and maintains Water, Natural Gas, and Wastewater lines system-wide. The Water & Gas Serviceman position is unique in that it is a graduated position with measurable outcomes to complete for advancement.

The Water & Gas Serviceman is under the direct supervision of the Supervisor of Operations for Water & Gas. This position is classified as Non-Exempt under the Fair Labor Standards Act.

Essential Duties & Responsibilities:

- The proper and acceptable installation and maintenance of Water, Wastewater, and Natural Gas mains and lines – including installation of taps and meters
- Answer Water, Wastewater & Natural Gas service calls; Ensure accuracy and neatness of required paperwork
- Investigate Natural Gas leak reports, conduct Natural Gas crossing survey and leak survey
- Ensuring, through inspection, that Natural Gas services meet codes; Lighting of Gas pilots as required
- Operate equipment such as tampers, air hammers, air spades, etc.; Operate locating equipment; Dig and backfill ditches
- To assist in the operation and maintenance of the Peak Shaving Plant and Gas Regulator Stations
- To assist in the operation and maintenance of Pump Stations and Lift Stations
- Maintenance of fire hydrants
- Backflow preventer testing

- Be on call, as needed, in the event of an emergency

Qualifications

Minimum Requirements:

- High school diploma/equivalent
- Have and maintain a valid Tennessee Class A CDL driver's license
- Acceptable driving history as verified through the Department of Motor Vehicles.
- Must be able to pass a background check, pre-employment physical, and drug screen.
- Candidate must complete a six-year Step Program of formal classes and On-the-Job Training to progress as a Serviceman in the Water & Gas Department
- Ability to work under potentially hazardous conditions
- A basic understanding of mechanical maintenance and plumbing is a plus
- Organization and communication skills with the ability to seek input and feedback from and coordinate with other team members

Physical Requirements:

Physical demands range from very light to heavy work. Must be able to bend, stand, walk, climb stairs and ladders, and occasionally exert up to 50+ pounds of force. Must be able to sit, stand, bend, kneel, and squat intermittently during working hours. Will occasionally need to accomplish tasks in small, tight, and confined spaces; occasionally, work in a noisy environment. Able to work in variable, sometimes extreme temperatures outdoors in the elements and tolerate occasional exposure to severe weather.

SUB offers competitive wages, an excellent benefits package that includes comprehensive health, dental, vision, and life insurance, paid holidays, vacation/sick leave, employee training and development programs, and a positive, collaborative work environment.

Applications are available on our website and can be submitted:

- To our Business Office at 400 Hwy 322 East, Sweetwater, TN 37874.
- By emailing HumanResources@sweetwaterutilities.com
- By fax to 423-337-6894

SUB is an Equal Opportunity Employer and complies with all applicable laws and regulations in our employment practices. SUB is a Tennessee Drug-Free Workplace Program participant.