Utility Locator Techician I

Company: Manville Water Supply Corporation

Location: Coupland, Texas

Status: Full-time, Hourly

Job Category: Water System Operations Construction, Maintenance and Supply

Relevant Work Experience: 1 year Utility Locating preferred

Career Level: Entry Level

Education Level: High School diploma or GED required

Job Description: This is a full-time, hourly position that reports directly to the Construction Coordinator. The person in this position is expected to possess or gain the knowledge and skills necessary to assist in mapping, inspections and line locating & assisting in the repair and maintenance of the existing water system in the Manville Water Service area. Work includes; timely locating undreground water lines using maps,trimble devices or various pipe/electronic locating equipment marking with 99% accuracy, assisting with inspections, flushing, and perform minor to major repairs of water lines and laterals. The Utility Locator Technician I will perform other duties as required & be available for on-call, weekend and after-hours assignments.

License Requirements:

Must possess & maintain a valid Texas Driver's License

Must obtain a valid Texas Water Operator License "D" Class within 1 year of employment in this position

Must obtain a valid Class A Texas Commercial Driver's License (CDL) within 2 years of employment in this position

Must obtain a valid Texas Distribution Operator License "C" Class within 3 years of employment in this position

Must obtain a CSI {Customer Service Inspection} license within 2 years of employment in this position

A Utility Line Locator Certificate preferred

Requirements:

* Must be 21 years of age with at least 3 years driving experience
* Must be physically capable of operating a vehicle safely, possess a valid Texas Driver's License and are eligible to be insured with the company insurance automobile plan
* Must obtain a CDL physical card prior to being hired
* Must obtain required license(s) within the timeframe alloted for continued employment
* Ability to maintain confidentiality
* Ability to maintain regular and punctual attendance
* Must be available for on-call, weekend and after-hours assignments
* Experience working in the water supply and distribution field or relevant experience preferred, but not necessary
* Ability to prioritize work activities by reviewing all locate requests to determine travel route and timelines
* Ability to operate heavy equipment such as a backhoe
* Understand and follow oral and written instructions in the English language
* Ability to operate electronic devices, i.e. laptop computer, tablet, cell phone, Trimble, etc.

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* Bend or stoop repeatedly or continually over time to repair or replace water lines or meters
* Must be available via company provided cell phone while on-call and during all scheduled working hours
* Will be subject to unannounced alcohol and drug testing as a condition of continued employment
* Learn job-related material through oral instruction and observation or through structured lecture in an on-the-job training setting or in a classroom
* Make continuous or repetitive arm-hand movements to make repairs to the water distribution system
* Make fine, highly controlled manipulations of objects
* Coordinate the movement of more than one limb simultaneously to operate equipment
* Lift arms above shoulder level
* Climb steps to get into and out of equipment
* Ability to work in all types of terrain and hazards (grass, gravel, ditches, etc.) all types of environments (construction sites, highways, industrial, private property, etc.) and all types of weather conditions
* Move heavy objects (50 pounds or more) long distances (more than 20 feet)
* Set up and remove barricades, traffic cones or similar objects

Working Conditions: Work in water distribution requires; exposure to water, chemicals, hazardous materials, noise, and heavy lifting in excess of 50 lbs., moving, standing and climbing. May work at heights, in confined spaces and in inclement weather conditions.

Job Responsibilities:

* Ensure the security of all vehicles, tools & equipment on a daily basis
* Locate underground waters lines, using maps, G.I.S. info, Trimble and various pipe and electronic locating equipment
* Assist with monitoring system functions through gauges, graphs, meters and control panels by making rounds of system as directed and perform any duties needed to provide safe, clean drinking water
* Assisting with daily work orders, to include installation of road crossings; completing repairs and maintenance in a timely manner and providing daily status reports to your supervisor and office personnel
* Water Meters - Collect monthly meter set reports using Trimble
* Water Meters - Setting new meters; locking and unlocking; reading; replacing; repairing; verifying readings; as directed by your supervisor and office personnel through work orders
* Dead End flushing
* Fire hydrant maintenance
* Be in compliance and familiar with all TCEQ rules and guidelines
* Assisting with the monitor of chemical supplies, change chemicals as required and record data
* Assist Director of Operations & Construction Services Field Tech with GIS
* Assisting with the testing of water volume and pressure; Collect water samples for chlorine residual, bacteriological and other tests as directed
* Perform outside plant route maintenance activities, of which includes digging holes for posts, placing ground rods and removing and replacing marker signs
* Basic knowledge of electrical/mechanical components and the ability to troubleshoot same
* Assisting with conducting timely water line locates and marking with 99% accuracy
* Ensure all locates include photos prior to and after locating

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* Assisting with repairing water leaks or coordinating with outside contractor as necessary
* Assisting with the inspection, flushing of water lines and perform minor to major repairs of water lines and laterals
* Adhere to safety standards; working safely without presenting a direct threat to self or others
* Identifying and reporting potential problems to your Supervisor
* Tracking supply inventory on a daily basis (log materials out or in)
* Operating and maintaining a MWSC vehicle. Must keep your company vehicle clean and organized. Conduct vehicle preventative maintenance inspections and schedule service as needed with maintenance personnel
* Demonstrate continuous effort to improve operations, decrease turnaround times, streamline work processes, and work cooperatively and jointly to provide quality seamless customer service
* Report any accident immediately to your Supervisor
* Knowledge of methods, materials, tools, equipment and practices used in repairing and installing water mains and related fittings
* Be aware of the hazards inherent in water distribution maintenance work and the safety measures required to do the job safely
* Use and care for properly, any hand tools or equipment used in the installation, maintenance and repair of the water distribution system
* Keep proper and complete written records as directed
* Be familiar with various types of cross-connections and have general knowledge of backflow-prevention assemblies

This job description is a general description of this position and does not/will not contain all duties that will be assigned. As an employee of MWSC, employees are expected to perform duties to the best of their ability and to perform duties as assigned.

Benefits

Health, dental & life insurance, 401K plan, paid holiday, vacation & sick leave, longevity (after 5 years) & annual bonus.

MWSC is an equal opportunity provider & employer

Interested candidates should submit a one-page cover letter, job application and resume as follows:
By mail to Manville Search Committee, P. O. Box 248, Coupland, Texas 78615
By electronic mail to hrcoordinator@manvillewsc.org