

Job: Gas System Operator
Department: Gas
Salary: Grade 10, Step 1 \$11.45
Hours: Daytime Hours - Occasional Overtime

Summary:

Perform a variety of manual and semi-skilled tasks in the inspection, maintenance and installation of the gas distribution system. Works under the supervisor of the Gas Superintendent.

Primary Responsibility:

- Install and repair natural gas pipeline main, service lines, residential and industrial gas valves, regulators and meter sets
- Tap gas lines under pressure for the installation of new services
- Install meters, and set regulator to proper pressure
- Inspect and service district regulator station equipment
- Operate and continually update GPS mapping equipment and systems
- Daily readings of select consumers and Gate Station Meters and estimate future usage for the entire system
- Locate underground gas pipeline facilities for other utilities, contractors and residential excavations
- Recognize signs of leaks, corrosion or damage to pipeline facilities and repair or monitor problems found
- Investigate and grade leaks on gas system facilities
- Investigate leaks inside homes or businesses and take appropriate action to protect life and property
- Available 24/7 to respond to emergency calls within 30 minutes leaks and damaged facilities
- Check odorization levels
- Check cathodic protection levels and rectifier reading
- Conduct inspections and make necessary repairs to system isolation valves
- Document work performed. Maintain current map records of new lines and services and keep records of all components installed underground
- Conduct annual leak survey of all high pressure and distribution mains and service lines around schools, churches, businesses and downtown Alex City, and 20% of all residential mains and services

Job Requirements:

Be a graduate of an accredited high school or have a GED. Must have a valid driver's license. Must have a driving record suitable for insurability. Must obtain CDL within 12 months. Must be able to obtain Alabama Plumbers and Gas Fitters Journeyman License (within four years) and complete joining polyethylene pipe qualification, butt fusion, electron fusion and mechanical joints (within one year). Must be able to effectively communicate in order to receive instructions and communicate with the public on repair and service issues. Must have continual education, training and certification of all federal and state required task of natural gas operators and technicians. Must be able and willing to work in and around hazardous conditions including explosive atmosphere and confined spaces. Experience in operating backhoe, trencher and excavator. Must have a working knowledge of natural gas appliances and systems. Willing to travel overnight to attend continuing education courses/workshops.

Posting Dates: 8/9/2017 – 8/20/2017

City Employees interested in this position should contact Kathy Railey at 256-329-6782. Seniority alone will not be the determining factor. Probationary Employees are not eligible to apply. Applicants must meet all requirements. External applicants can come to City Hall to fill out an application.

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