

APPRENTICE LINEWORKER 2

NATURE OF WORK

This is semi-skilled work in helping linemen engaged in the installation, maintenance, and repair of transmission and distribution lines in the municipal electricity distribution system. The work of this class differs from that of the Apprentice Lineworker class in that employee is responsible for a number of line functions. The work differs from that of the Lineman 1 class in that the employee does not work independently. Position is responsible for assisting the Lineman 1 directly with the installation, maintenance, and repair of overhead and underground distribution lines and related components of the municipal electrical distribution system. Position may be subject to 24-hour call and work is sometimes hazardous. The objective is proficiency in secondary line work and development of skills necessary to perform primary line work. Incumbent reports to the Electrical Superintendent.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK

(Employees of this classification must be able to perform the following. Physical and mental tasks related to these functions will be required. The following examples do not contain every task that could be reasonable assigned. The absence of a specific task here does not imply the task cannot be assigned if related to the nature of work, a logical assignment, or a business necessity.)

- Assists in the installation, maintenance, and repair of secondary lines.
- May assist more advanced line workers in the installation, maintenance, and repair of primary lines.
- Assists in the operation of gang switches and reclosers, and disconnects blades in substation, with proper clearances from supervisor.
- May assist in performing underground work, including trenching, laying conduit, pulling wire, and making terminations.
- Frames and installs fixtures.
- May climb utility poles and other structures using climbing ladders and operates a bucket truck to perform overhead work.
- May receive instruction on transmission line work as part of training for more advanced positions.
- Assists in the loading, hauling, unloading, removing, and installation utility poles. Trims trees around energized lines.
- Assists with the installation and connection of electric meters and electric service, permanent and temporary, for residential and commercial buildings, including and energizes service line connections.
- Assists in the installation, replacement, and repair of streetlights. Digs holes with hand held tools and mechanized digging equipment.
- Works with apprentice lineworkers on ground work. Performs related work as required.

NECESSARY KNOWLEDGES, ABILITIES, AND SKILLS

- Knowledge of the standard methods, materials, tools, and equipment used in the installation, maintenance, and repair of electric distribution lines and related components.
- Knowledge of the occupational hazards and safety precautions related to area of assignment.
- Ability to climb utility poles using ladders and work at varying heights or perform electrical work underground in tight spaces.
- Knowledge of installation, maintenance, and repair of electric distribution lines and related components.
- Ability to closely observe work and remain alert while working under stress and adverse conditions for extended periods of time and at irregular hours.
- Ability to understand and execute oral and written instructions.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective relationships with superiors, the general public, and other employees.
- Skill in the use and care of the tools, equipment, vehicles, and materials used in the work.
- Sufficient physical strength, ability, and dexterity to perform all the work of the class as contained in Job Function Description 2605.

TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

High School Diploma or GED required and one year experience as an apprentice line worker or comparable position involving experience or training in high voltage electrical work and the ability to read, write, interpret diagrams, and perform basic mathematical calculations. Must be a registered voter.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENT

Possession of the appropriate class of commercial driver's license prior to appointment, as required by State of Louisiana. Possession of appropriate electrical license as administered by the City of Abbeville, within the first year of probational or permanent appointment.