

Town of Middletown
19 W. Green St., Middletown, DE 19709

Job Title: WATER/SEWER TECHNICIAN
Department: Water/Sewer Department
Reports To: Water /Sewer Foreman
FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

Summary:

The Town of Middletown is currently looking for a qualified sanitary sewer combination vac/jet truck operator. The ideal candidate should have knowledge of all underground infrastructure, reading and understanding sanitary sewer maps and prints to determine the proper starting point and finishing point while cleaning/jetting sanitary sewer lines. The candidate should also be informed on the proper and safe operation of a Vacall or Vac-con combination jet/vac truck. The ideal candidate should possess a valid CDL license with tanker endorsement. Upon hire, the candidate will be required to obtain a Delaware class F waste haulers license if not already in possession of one.

The position is also requiring the individual to assist with the construction, modification, maintenance, or replacement of municipally owned water system and sewer collection system. Perform unskilled or semi-skilled tasks associated with the operation, maintenance, distribution of water systems and collection of sewer systems and facilities.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

Include the following. Other duties may be assigned.

1. Operate Sanitary sewer combination vac/jet truck operator.
2. Assist with the maintenance and repair of:
 - A. Water distribution mains and services.
 - B. Fire hydrants, street valves, water meters, and meter pits.
 - C. Blow-offs and pumps.
3. Assist with the installation of water meters.
4. Assist with the maintenance and repair of:
 - A. Sewer distribution mains and laterals.
 - B. Lift stations
5. Assist with the installation of sewer laterals.
6. Working in confined spaces
7. Respectfully communicate with the general public on a daily basis
8. Perform unskilled labor associated with excavation, installation or repair of lines, and equipment.
9. Set up and maintain traffic control devices needed to close roads due to water and sewer work.
10. Use jackhammer, air compressor, and hydraulic tampers to remove asphalt or concrete needed to install, repair, or replace water and sewer mains and services.
11. Respond to after hour emergencies as directed.
12. Assist with snow removal as directed and help with other departments as needed.

13. Perform operator inspections, and preventive maintenance to assigned vehicle.
14. Clean and wash department vehicles.
15. Apply paint, and protective coating to water and sewer facilities as required.
16. Perform other duties in shop or other sections as assigned or directed.

Competencies:

- Ability to drive vac/jette truck, pick-up trucks, dump trucks, and hydraulic power tools.
- Knowledge of water distribution and sewer collection system.
- Basic knowledge of safety procedures.
- Basic knowledge and principals of construction.
- Ability to solve common or routine problems.

Qualifications:

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform essential functions.

- Ability to comprehend and follow complicated verbal instructions and orders.
- Ability to establish working relationships with foreman, other employees, and the general public.

Education and/or Experience:

- High School diploma or general education degree (GED).
- Must possess a valid CDL license with tanker endorsement. Upon hire, the candidate will be required to obtain a Delaware class F waste haulers license if not already in possession of one.
- Basic knowledge of lift station operations desirable.
- May need to attend Basic Water and Wastewater Operators certification course as required by the State.
- Attend classes to obtain certificate of completion.

Language Skills

- Ability to read and comprehend simple instructions, short correspondence, and memos.
- Ability to write simple correspondence.
- Ability to effectively present information in one-on-one, and small group situations with other employees of the organization.

Mathematical Skills

- Ability to add, subtract, multiply, and divide in all units of measure, using whole numbers, common fractions, and decimals.

Reasoning Ability

- Ability to apply common sense understanding to carry out detailed but uninvolved written or oral instructions.
- Ability to deal with problems involving a few concrete variables in standardized situations.
- Ability to effectively communicate problems/ideas to foreman.
- Ability to maintain control under pressure.

Physical Demands

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- While performing the duties of this Job, the employee is regularly required to use hands to finger, handle, or feel; reach with hands and arms; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; talk or hear and smell.
- The employee is frequently required to stand and walk.
- The employee is occasionally required to sit and climb or balance.
- The employee must frequently lift and/or move up to 50 pounds and occasionally lift and/or move up to 100 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception and ability to adjust focus.

Work Environment:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- While performing the duties of this Job, the employee is regularly exposed to wet and/or humid conditions; outside weather conditions; extreme cold and extreme heat.
- The employee is frequently exposed to moving mechanical parts, fumes or airborne particles; toxic or caustic chemicals; outside weather conditions; extreme cold and vibration.
- The employee is occasionally exposed to high, precarious places.
- The noise level in the work environment ranges from quiet to very loud depending on the task assigned.

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