

Underground Utility Operator

Department/Group: Underground Utilities – Department of Public Works

Reports To: Lead Underground Utilities Operator

Union: AFSCME Local 39

Status: Full Time

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

PDC Level: Heavy

- Responsible for responding to any/all gas emergencies
- Sets and maintains residential and large commercial gas meter installations
- Performs pipe work on residential property
- Installs and maintains gas services, mains and all other City of Waterloo gas distribution equipment
- Determines location of utilities within the City using locating equipment
- Operates various types of equipment (trencher, backhoe, etc)
- Repairs any water main breaks
- Reads and installs water meters, flushes fire hydrants and assists in bacteriological sampling. Performs chlorine testing and obtains knowledge of the ground tower operation and elevated chlorine inspection and repairs.
- Communicates with lead personnel, coworkers, upper management, and the public regarding operations, plant conditions and other essential information
- Collaborates with lead personnel to determine the best practices, equipment, upgrades and other operational aspects to contribute to ecologically friendly, cost effective impacts of the facility's treatments
- Willingness to respond to emergencies twenty-four (24) hours a day seven (7) days a week and participate in standby rotation
- Other duties as assigned by the Lead Operator of the Underground Utility Department, Director of Public Works and/or elected officials.
- This position participates in the mandatory drug testing program

Skills & Qualifications

Required:

- Valid state CDL driver's license – Class A combination with Airbrakes
- IEPA Class C Water license
- Gas Certification
- Must be able to lift/carry a maximum of 75 lbs occasionally and/or push and pull a maximum force of 25 lbs occasionally

- Full hearing and vision are required
- Ability to perform long periods of standing, walking, head turn, forward reach, left/right hand control, foot/pedal control
- High school diploma or equivalent

Preferred:

- IEPA Class A Water license