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City of Yankton
Water Plant Operations Specialist

The City of Yankton is currently accepting applications for the position of Water Plant Operations Specialist. This department is undergoing major improvements and changes and is looking for someone to join the team. The water treatment industry offers a stable career, professional licensure, and an excellent opportunity for advancement. Studies show 30-50% of the profession is retiring within the next seven years and this entry level position is an opportunity to enter this exciting field.

An employee in this position is responsible for the routine maintenance and repair of plant and pump equipment under the direction of the plant supervisor and plant superintendent; checking dosages and feed rates on chemical feed equipment; adding chemicals to maintain proper feed rates and adjusting chemical balances; checking equipment to ensure proper functionality; monitoring water quality through on-site laboratory analysis; understanding EPA and DENR regulations as they pertain to the field in order to maintain safe and aesthetically pleasing water quality; operating lawn and snow equipment to maintain facility grounds. This position works M-F, 7 am-4 pm, except every fourth week, which is 11 am - 7 p.m. This position is also required to work every fourth weekend and alternating holiday. This position is required to be on-call for one week at a time, where they are expected to respond to after-hours water treatment and water distribution emergencies when needed. Extra compensation is provided for on-call hours.

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age, a high school diploma or GED and the ability to pass Class I certification exam in water treatment at the completion of one year of directly related water plant operation experience. Must have the ability to obtain a Class 4 certification within 10 years. Must maintain certification level through continuing education requirements set by the State. Employees of the water/wastewater plants are required to live within fifteen miles of the legal corporate limits of the City. Individuals who live more than fifteen miles outside the city limits of Yankton, SD, may make application for employment. However, if selected, you shall be required to comply with this policy within 120 days of employment. Candidates must possess a valid Class B with air brakes SD Commercial Drivers' license or be able to obtain one within 120 days of hire.

The salary for this position is Range 31, \$40,312 to \$51,034 annually, plus benefits.

Applications may be requested from the Human Resources Office at 416 Walnut Street, Yankton, SD 57078, by phone at (605) 668-5222, or on the City website www.cityofyankton.org. Persons needing accommodation in order to apply for this position should contact (605) 668-5222. Applications accepted until position is filled.

New employees must meet pre-employment drug screen and physical requirements.

The City of Yankton is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Internal posting

