WATER UTILITY OPERATOR SUPERVISOR, 5857

Summary of Duties: Supervises and personally participates in the operation and maintenance of electric water pumping plants, reservoirs, wells and related water facilities; monitors the operation of the computerized Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System (SCADA); and does related work.

Distinguishing Features: A Water Utility Operator Supervisor supervises and participates in the operation and maintenance of remotely controlled or manually operated water facilities, including the regulation of storage, flow and pressure of water distribution, wells, reservoirs, pumps and tank systems of the City of Los Angeles.

Exercising initiative and independent judgement, may be responsible for the 24-hour operation of all water distributing facilities associated with the SCADA System. An employee of this class may be assigned to work irregular shifts, weekends or holidays.

Examples of Duties: Participates in and exercises responsibility for the functioning of remotely controlled or manually operated water facilities related to water storage, flow and pressure; trains and supervises personnel engaged in the operation, maintenance and repair of water control and storage facilities in the field and those personnel engaged in monitoring telemetering instrumentation on the SCADA System; inspects equipment, buildings and grounds for proper maintenance and operation; prepares and reviews reports concerning system operations, water storage, and reservoir and plant facilities; makes written and oral presentation on the operation and maintenance of water facilities equipment; and approves work schedules, time records and material requisitions.

A Water Utility Operator Supervisor, through subordinate supervisors, may plan, direct, train and supervise the coordinated activities of personnel engaged in the field or console operations of the SCADA System. Formulates regulations, procedures, practices and assignments of personnel; and may occasionally be assigned to other duties for training purposes or to meet technological changes or emergencies.

Qualifications: A good knowledge of the working rules of the Department of Water and Power; a good knowledge of the Memoranda of Understanding as they apply to subordinate personnel; a good knowledge of laws and regulations related to equal employment opportunity and affirmative action; and a good knowledge of safety as it relates to working with electrical and mechanical equipment. A working knowledge of mechanics and electricity; and a working knowledge of operation and maintenance of electric pumping plants. The ability to direct and review the work of Water Utility Operators and coordinate it with an overall program; the ability to evaluate alternative proposals in
relation to technical soundness, economic aspects, and long-term planning; the ability to prepare and supervise the preparation of technical and/or administrative reports; and the ability to negotiate and to deal tactfully and effectively with contractors, the general public, and representatives of the Department, other government units and utilities.

Four years of experience in the operation and maintenance of electric water pumping plants, reservoirs, wells and related water facilities at the level of Water Utility Operator is required for Water Utility Operator Supervisor.

License: A valid California driver's license is required prior to appointment.

Physical Requirements: Strength to perform average lifting up to 25 pounds and occasionally over 50 pounds; arm, hand and finger dexterity with both hands involved in activities such as reaching, handling and feeling; good speaking and hearing ability; and good eyesight and color perception.

Persons with medical limitations may, with reasonable accommodations, be capable of performing the duties of some of the positions in this class. Such determination must be made on an individual basis in light of the person's limitations, the requirements of the position, and the appointing authority's ability to effect reasonable accommodations to the person's limitations.

As provided in Civil Service Commission Rule 2.5 and Section 4.55 of the Administrative Code, this specification is descriptive, explanatory and not restrictive. It is not intended to declare what all of the duties and responsibilities of any position shall be.