JOB TITLE
Line Technician – Journey Level

REPORTS TO
Electric Operations Superintendent / Assistant Electric Superintendent, Lead Lineworker

DEPARTMENT
Electric

FLSA (overtime status)
Full – Time, Non-Exempt

General Summary

This is skilled work of journey level in the construction, maintenance and repair of overhead and underground electric distribution and transmission system.

Work involves the performance of skilled electric tasks in the construction and maintenance of the municipally owned electric system in accordance with standard trade practices. Employees frequently work with high voltage wires and under unfavorable weather conditions, requiring skill and care.

Work assignments are received from the Electric Operations Supervisor, Assistant Electric Superintendent, Lead Lineworker or General Manager in the form of written or oral instructions; work is reviewed while in progress or upon completion for quality of work and results obtained.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

The following are typical duties and responsibilities for this position. These are not to be construed as exclusive or all-inclusive. Other duties may be required or assigned and may evolve with changes in technology and in the utility industry.

- Participates in the construction of the Utility’s overhead and underground electric system in accordance with established safety rules, codes and practices - this includes, but is not limited to:
  - Setting and removing poles
  - Assists in stringing of primary and secondary wire
  - Helps with the installation and termination of underground facilities
  - Assists in hanging of transformers, lightning arresters, cutouts, crossarms, etc.
  - Working on energized primary and secondary
  - Installs electric service to users
  - Assists in tree trimming and taking down of trees as needed
• Performs general maintenance and repairs, scheduled and unscheduled, under all types of working conditions
• Work requires the ability to operate all equipment related to utility duties, including but not limited to bucket trucks, line truck, trencher, dump trucks, backhoes, saws, pruners, chippers, jack hammers, fault finders, wire trailer and trencher
• Accurately track and assign job materials and equipment time to work orders
• Help to restore service to customers under all types of working conditions
• Assume on-call responsibilities as scheduled between department

Physical Demands and Work Environment

The physical demands are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. The work environment characteristics 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 position, the employee is regularly required to speak and hear. The employee is frequently required to stand, walk, use fingers, handle or feel objects, controls, and to reach with hands and arms. The employee is occasionally required to sit, climb or balance, stoop, kneel, crouch, and crawl. The employee may occasionally lift and/or move objects up to 75 pounds. The specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust vision.

The position requires good physical condition and sufficient physical strength and ability to perform heavy manual tasks relating to line construction and to work under any type of weather condition.

Work is primarily performed in the field, near moving parts and in the outside weather conditions. The employee will be exposed to wet and/or humid conditions, extreme heat/cold, vibration, and noisy conditions.

Required Qualifications

• Considerable knowledge of approved methods and electrical standards, materials and tools used in line construction and maintenance work
• Knowledge of the principles of electrical theory as applied to electrical circuits and wiring systems, and ability to apply this knowledge to work problems
• Ability to understand and follow oral or written instructions, facilitate communication, resolve problems, and work individually as well as part of a team
• Ability to communicate, establish and maintain effective working relationships with the public, Utilities team members, and other City employees
• Ability and skill in the use of line tools and testing equipment

• Ability to utilize ArcGIS mapping software and knowledge in reading maps and diagrams related to the electrical distribution and transmission systems

• Ability to climb poles and work with high voltage wires exercising proper safety precautions and perform heavy manual labor for extended periods under unfavorable weather conditions

• Trained in first aid and CPR

• Must hold a valid Wisconsin Driver’s License and CDL with air break certification

• Experience as a Journey Line Technician, possession of a Journey Line Technician’s card, and/or completion of an apprenticeship program approved by Waupun Utilities

**Residency**

The employee shall reside within twenty (20) minutes of the utility facility.

**Salary and Benefits**

Starting wage between $43.54 – $47.35 depending on experience and qualifications. Waupun Utilities offers a competitive benefit package including: Medical, Dental, Vision, Short and Long-Term Disability, Life Insurance as well as the State of Wisconsin Retirement Plan (WRS), which is a defined benefit pension plan.

All positions at Waupun Utilities are required to strictly adhere to Federal, State and Waupun Utilities Commission polices surrounding harassment of all forms. Waupun Utilities is a harassment-free environment in accordance with Waupun Utilities Employee Handbook.

*Waupun Utilities is an Equal Opportunity Employer. In compliance with the American Disabilities Act, Waupun Utilities will provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities and encourages both prospective employees and incumbents to discuss potential accommodations with the employer.*