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ELECTRIC STATION OPERATOR

Class Code: 5224

Open Date: 07-25-14

ANNUAL SALARY

\$54,308 to \$67,484; \$55,728 to \$69,238; \$66,189 to \$85,106; \$69,154 to \$85,921; \$76,107 to \$94,565; \$81,703 to \$101,497; \$83,165 to \$103,314

NOTES:

1. Candidates from the eligible list are normally appointed to vacancies in the lower pay grade positions.
2. For information regarding reciprocity between the City of Los Angeles departments and LADWP, go to http://per.lacity.org/Reciprocity_CityDepts_and_DWP.pdf.
3. The current salary range is subject to change. You may confirm the starting salary with the hiring department before accepting a job offer.

DUTIES

An Electric Station Operator operates high voltage electric and auxiliary equipment in hydroelectric generating, receiving and distributing stations and in high voltage DC Converter Plants; performs routine inspections, meter readings, and cleaning of high voltage equipment and facilities; and does other related duties.

NOTES:

1. All entry-level positions are temporary training positions as defined in Civil Service Commission Rule 5.30. An Electric Station Operator must successfully complete a two-year intensive on-the-job and classroom training program in order to receive an appointment to a regular Electric Station Operator position.
2. Assignments are subject to rotating shifts and various work locations throughout the City's power system.
3. A trainee must be able to communicate in English in a readily understandable manner and must be able to write clearly and legibly in English.
4. A trainee will be required to climb a ladder up to 40 feet in height and perform work activities in elevated positions; carry a forty-pound load for a minimum distance of 100 feet; and hold a one and one-half inch fire hose at a minimum operating pressure of 100 psi for the purpose of washing insulators.
5. See the corresponding "Job Preview" for additional information regarding the duties of an Electrical Station Operator in a trainee and/or regular position. The Job Preview is available in the Supplemental Questions section of the City application.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Completion of at least eight months in the Utility Pre-Craft Trainee training program sponsored by the Department of Water and Power; or
2. One year of full time paid experience in electrical or mechanical work involving the operation, maintenance, or repair of electrical generating and distribution equipment such as found in an electric generating plant or receiving and distribution stations, or electrical distribution systems, including those of major industrial facilities such as oil refineries, chemical plants, or water treatment plants; or
3. Successful completion of three semester units or four quarter units from a recognized college or university or trade school in physics, chemistry, electricity, or electronics; or
4. Successful completion of one year of high school level course work in physics, chemistry, electricity, or electronics; or
5. Successful completion of the Hayden Electricity course sponsored by the Department of Water and Power.

NOTES:

1. Candidates must achieve a passing score in the qualifying multiple-choice written test in order to be called for subsequent portions of the examination.
2. Applicants filing under Requirement #1 who lack two months or less of the required training and experience may file for this examination. However, they cannot be appointed until completion of at least eight months in the Utility Pre-Craft Trainee training program, as indicated in Requirement #1.
3. Applicants filing under Requirement #2 who lack six months or less of the required training and experience may file for this examination. However, they cannot be appointed until the full training and experience requirement is met.
4. Applicants filing under Requirement #3, #4, or #5, list the name(s) and completion date(s) of the applicable course(s) along with the name of the institution attended in the School/Training section on the City application.
5. Some positions may require a valid California driver's license. Candidates will be disqualified and not eligible for hire if within the past 36 months they were convicted of a major moving violation, such as driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, and may be disqualified if there are three or more moving violations and/or at-fault accidents within the past 36 months.

WHERE TO APPLY

Applications WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED ON-LINE from 8:00 a.m., TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2014 to MIDNIGHT, THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 2014. Applications submitted before the start of the filing period will not be accepted. For administrative purposes, filing may close and reopen periodically throughout the filing period. When you are viewing the on-line job bulletin of your choice, simply scroll to the top of the page and select the "Apply" icon. Online job bulletins are also available at <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/lacity/default.cfm> for Open Competitive Examinations.

NOTE:

Applicants are urged to apply early to ensure you have time to resolve any technical issues you may encounter

In accordance with Civil Service Rule 4.2, all applicants who apply may not be tested in this examination. To meet anticipated hiring needs, only a limited number of qualified applicants will be invited to participate in the written test in the following order: 1) Los Angeles City Promotional applicants who meet the minimum requirements. You must have received a regular appointment to a City position or be on a reserve list to apply for this examination as a promotional candidate; 2) Applicants currently employed by the City of Los Angeles on a part-time or exempt basis who meet the minimum requirements; 3) Remaining applicants who meet the minimum requirements in sufficient numbers to meet hiring needs in the order that applications were received. Applications submitted during the filing period will be kept on file for two years from July 25, 2014 in the event that additional applicants need to be tested to meet hiring needs.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications will only be accepted on-line on the following three days: from 8:00 a.m., TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2014; WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2014; to MIDNIGHT, AUGUST 7, 2014. For administrative purposes, filing may close and reopen periodically throughout the filing period.

SELECTION PROCESS

Examination Weights:	Written Test	Qualifying
	Performance Test	100%

The examination will consist of a qualifying multiple-choice written test and a performance test. In the multiple-choice written test, candidates may be examined for the ability to: read, understand and follow complex and/or technical written instructions and procedures; perform basic mathematical calculations; interpret readings from various indicating and recording instruments such as kilowatt meters, voltage meters, and ammeters; general knowledge of electricity, including Ohm's law and series and parallel circuits; spatial relationships; basic safety practices and procedures, including the hazards of working near energized equipment; and other necessary skills, knowledge and abilities.

The qualifying multiple-choice written test will be held in a single half-day session in Los Angeles. The first date scheduled for the multiple-choice written test is **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2014**. Candidates will be notified later by mail of the test date, time and location. Future test dates will be scheduled, if necessary.

Passing Score for Qualifying Written Test

The passing score for the qualifying written test will be determined by Personnel Department staff after the qualifying written test is administered. Consideration will be given to the number of candidates taking the test and the existing and anticipated number of vacancies, such that there are a sufficient number of eligibles on the list to satisfy current and future vacancies for the next two years. **Therefore, the passing score for the qualifying multiple-choice written test may be set either above or below 70%.**

Candidates must achieve a passing score on the qualifying multiple-choice written test in order to be called for the performance test. **The performance test will be scheduled periodically, as vacancies arise.**

The examination score will be based entirely on the performance test. In the performance test, candidates may be examined for the ability to: follow complex written and oral instructions; monitor equipment and relay pertinent information accurately; effectively and accurately prioritize and organize tasks; read and accurately record detailed information; orally communicate in a clear, concise, and effective manner; and other necessary skills, knowledge and abilities.

NOTES:

1. This examination is based on a validation study, and as provided by Civil Service Commission Rule 4.20, the written test will not be subject to candidate inspection.
2. Based on City policy, before being hired in one of these positions, you may be required to undergo a drug and alcohol screening test.
3. Applications are accepted subject to review to ensure that minimum qualifications are met. Candidates may be disqualified at any time if it is determined that they do not possess the minimum qualifications stated on this bulletin.
4. A final average score of 70% is required in the performance portion of the examination to be placed on the eligible list.
5. As a covered entity under the Fair Employment and Housing Act and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and upon request, will provide reasonable accommodations to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. To request a disability accommodation, please complete the Disability Accommodation Form within 14 calendar days of the submittal of the City application. The Disability Accommodation Form can be obtained at http://per.lacity.org/exams/verify_disability.pdf.
6. You may take this examination once every 365 days. Your name may be removed from the open competitive list after 6 months.
7. Your rank on the employment list may change as scores of candidates from other administrations of this examination are merged onto one list.

Notice:

If you receive and accept an offer of employment to a regular position with the City of Los Angeles, your employee benefit coverage (including health and dental coverage as well as life insurance) will commence approximately six weeks after your original regular appointment. Not all positions in the City receive benefit coverage; you should inquire regarding the availability of employee benefits prior to accepting a position.

**THIS EXAMINATION IS TO BE GIVEN ONLY
ON AN OPEN COMPETITIVE BASIS**

The City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, creed, color, ancestry, medical condition (cancer), or Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.