

Title: Construction Foreman

Grade: 13

Position Code(s): 013-008

Department: Operations – Department 13

Status: Full Time

Exemption Status: Non-exempt (hourly) **Reports To:** District Superintendent

Supervisory Responsibilities: Full Supervision

Work Location: Licking

Effective Date: March 25, 2024
Replaces (Effective Date): April 21, 2021

General Summary: Under the direction of the District Superintendent, the Construction Foreman is responsible for supervising and directing journeyman and apprentice lineman in all aspects of building and maintaining an electrical distribution system, to include both overhead and underground lines. The Construction Foreman is also responsible for training and instructing lineman to perform duties in a safe and efficient manner within accepted operation standards.

Essential Job Functions: The following job functions are typical for this classification. Incumbents may not perform all of the listed duties and/or may be required to perform additional or different duties from those set forth below to address business needs and changing business practices.

- 1. Schedules and directs the daily activities of a line crew in accordance with all RUS, OSHA, DOT, and other applicable laws and regulations; including but not limited to the maintenance of devices such as circuit breakers, transformers, poles, and all such devices that ensure reliable electric service.
- 2. Coordinates work activities of the line crew during outage situations ensuring that all repairs are done in a safe and efficient manner. This includes substation work, and communicating with the cooperative dispatch center on outages and other system problems as needed.
- 3. Maintains expertise and working knowledge of RUS specifications and must see that all construction shall be performed according to those specifications at all times.
- 4. Coordinates and schedules all work with District Superintendent, including planning, monitoring, and evaluating all aspects of the outside operations, including materials, equipment, and personnel.
- 5. Use journeyman-level skills and knowledge of electrical distribution system and line work to effectively and efficiently construct and maintain electric distribution lines.

- 6. Maintains expertise and working knowledge of all relevant equipment and systems, including the mapping system. Must be able to operate equipment in order to construct and maintain electrical systems utilizing personal protective equipment (PPE) and all standard operating procedures.
- 7. Assists in planning, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of the line apprenticeship program, safety training, and other line-related training.
- 8. Responsible in the evaluation, maintenance, and repairs of operations equipment and tools, including vehicles and equipment associated with the construction and maintenance of all underground and overhead lines.
- 9. Assists in conducting complete system line, pole, regulator, etc., inspections on a regular cycle, implementing a reliability-centered maintenance program for the distribution system utilizing the appropriate methods.
- 10. Responsible for the training, development, review and performance management of assigned direct report personnel, in accordance with state and federal laws and the cooperative's policies and guidelines. Performs other related duties as required.
- 11. Assist in maintaining pole yards, vehicles, equipment, warehouse, etc. to meet regulatory inspections and safety related concerns.
- 12. Responsible for ensuring all safety related rules/regulations are being properly followed.
- 13. Ability to use underground locating equipment.
- 14. Serves on the on-call rotation within the district.
- 15. Performs other duties as required and/or assigned.

Job Requirements:

Education and Experience:

- 1. Requires a high school diploma or equivalent.
- 2. Requires six years of practical experience in line construction, maintenance and operations.

Certificates, Licenses, Registrations:

- 1. Must have a valid Class A CDL driver's license.
- 2. Must have completed an approved electrical lineman apprentice program and is qualified as a journeyman lineman.

Preferred:

- 1. Prior direct supervisory experience is preferred.
- 2. Skills to utilize Microsoft Office and mobile device applications preferred.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- 1. Demonstrates expertise in the operation of all hotline tools, power line equipment, including crimpers, saws, tree trimming tools, etc., to operate and maintain electrical system.
- 2. Demonstrates skills in the areas of planning, controlling, and scheduling functions between engineering, construction, maintenance, purchasing, accounting, and safety areas.
- 3. Demonstrates skills in determining staffing, material, and equipment needs.
- 4. Demonstrates the ability to effectively motivate, develop, train, and supervise people.
- 5. Demonstrates oral and written communications skills, an ability to deal effectively with people, extensive problem solving capability, and good mediation, negotiation, and interpersonal skills.
- 6. Demonstrates the ability to accomplish a variety of projects simultaneously within established deadlines.
- 7. Demonstrates skills in the utilization of Microsoft Office and mobile device applications.



Physical Demands:

- 1. Ability to lift/carry 96 pounds occasionally (less than 33% of the time).
- 2. Ability to lift/carry 50 pounds frequently (34%-66% of the time).
- 3. Ability to lift/carry up to 23 pounds constantly (67%-100% of the time).
- 4. Employees position requires pushing a maximum force of 70 pounds.
- 5. Employees position requires pulling a maximum of 88 pounds.
- 6. Sufficient physical ability to perform moderate to heavy lifting; reaching, bending, stooping, kneeling, and crawling; walking, standing and climbing for prolonged periods of time; operating motorized equipment and vehicles.
- 7. Ability to work with and around heavy construction equipment; work at heights on aerial equipment and ladders; work on slippery and uneven surfaces; work around traffic; exposure to noise, dust, heat and inclement weather conditions.
- 8. Ability to see in the normal visual range with or without correction; vision sufficient to read computer screens and printed documents to operate equipment, and to perform other duties as assigned.
- 9. Ability to hear in the normal audio range with or without correction.

Work Environment:

- While performing the duties of this job, the employee regularly exposed to outside weather
 conditions; moving mechanical parts; high, precarious places; extreme cold; extreme heat; and the
 risk of electrical shock. The employee is occasionally exposed to wet and/or humid conditions,
 fumes or airborne particles, and toxic or caustic chemicals. The noise level in the work environment
 is usually moderate.
- 2. Job requires significant physical stamina and endurance.
- 3. Job will require overtime work.
- 4. Job will require occasional overnight travel for training/overtime work.