CITY OF ROSEVILLE

ELECTRIC APPRENTICE LINE TECHNICIAN
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DEFINITION

To perform skilled electrical repair work in the construction and maintenance of underground and overhead electrical transmission and distribution lines.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

Apprentice Line Technician - This is the entry level class in the Electric Line Technician series. Positions in this class typically have some directly related work experience as a Pre-Apprentice and work under immediate supervision while continuing to learn job tasks. The Electric Apprentice Line Technician class is distinguished from the Electric Line Technician level by the performance of less than the full range of duties assigned to the Electric Line Technician level. Incumbents work under immediate supervision while learning job tasks, progressing to general supervision as procedures and processes of assigned area of responsibility are learned.

Line Technician - This is the journey level class in the Electric Line Technician series and is distinguished from the Electric Apprentice Line Technician level by the assignment of the full range of duties. Employees at this level receive only occasional instruction or assistance as new, unusual or unique situations arise and are fully aware of the operating procedures and policies within the work unit. Positions in this class are flexibly staffed and are normally filled by advancement from the Electric Apprentice Line Technician level.

This class is distinguished from the Senior Electric Line Technician in that the latter performs advanced journey level work and provides technical and functional supervision to assigned staff.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Electric Apprentice Line Technician

Receives immediate supervision from an assigned supervisor.

Receives technical and functional supervision from a Senior Electric Line Technician; may receive technical supervision from an Electric Line Technician as appropriate.

Electric Line Technician

Receives general supervision from an assigned supervisor.

Receives technical and functional supervision from a Senior Electric Line Technician.
EXAMPLES OF ESSENTIAL DUTIES - Duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

Climb poles, splice and repair energized lines; construct new overhead and underground transmission and distribution lines.

Set poles, install cross arms and breakers; string, pull dead ends and energize primary and secondary wires; mount, bus and energize transformers, cable, risers, potheads, substructures, conduits and underground circuits.

Run service lines from poles to consumer’s premises; connect, disconnect and replace service loops; build bypass lines; phase out and cut in new circuits; cut and tap primary lines; pull and terminate underground cables.

Inspect and test poles, lines and other facilities; mount street light standards, heads and electrical control devices; trim trees to clear wires; operate aerial bucket truck, high ranger, line truck, puller and other related utility equipment.

May occasionally maintain and repair switching gear, transformers and related substation equipment; respond to service calls.

Build and maintain positive working relationships with co-workers, other City employees and the public using principles of good customer service.

Perform related duties as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Electric Apprentice Line Technician

Knowledge of:

Elementary principles of electricity.

Basic methods, procedures, materials and tools used in electrical installation and maintenance.

Safe work practices.

Principles and procedures of record keeping.

Ability to:

Learn complex electrical line installation and repair work.

Learn, understand and follow department policies, procedures, rules and regulations.
Electric Apprentice Line Technician/Electric Line Technician

- On a continuous basis, know and understand operations, and observe safety rules; intermittently analyze problem equipment; identify and locate equipment; interpret work orders; remember equipment location; and explain jobs to others.

- Intermittently, sit while studying or preparing reports; reach, bend, squat, climb, kneel and twist when repairing or installing equipment; perform simple pushing, pulling, and fine manipulation; and lift or carry weight of 50 pounds or less.

- Learn to identify system malfunctions and recommend appropriate corrective action.

- Perform work a considerable distance above the ground among high voltage lines.

- Prepare and maintain simple records of activities.

- Appropriately stock and load trucks with needed supplies on a daily basis; wash and clean trucks.

- Work assigned shift schedules; be available for call-back and on-call assignment.

- Work unusual and prolonged work schedules during emergencies, seasonally-caused circumstances in varying weather and temperature conditions.

- Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.

- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

**Experience and Training**

**Experience:**

One year of experience in performing electric ground work on a line crew and completion of a two (2) week Pre-Apprentice school.

AND

**Training:**

Equivalent to completion of the twelfth (12th) grade, GED, or higher level degree, supplemented by enrollment in a recognized power line apprenticeship program.

**License and Certificate**
Possession of a valid California driver’s license by date of appointment.

Possession of a valid California class A driver’s license within six (6) months of date of appointment.

Possession of, or ability to obtain, First Aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certificates within six (6) months of date of appointment.

**Electric Line Technician**

In addition to the qualifications for the Electric Apprentice Line Technician:

**Knowledge of:**

Principles of electric theory as applied to circuits and wiring systems.

Methods, procedures, materials and tools used in electrical installation and maintenance.

Safe work practices.

Department policies and procedures.

**Ability to:**

Independently perform skilled electrical repair work in the construction and maintenance of underground and overhead electrical transmission and distribution lines.

Assist with the training of staff in the Pre-Apprentice and Apprentice levels.

**Experience and Training**

**Experience:**

Three years experience performing duties similar to an Electric Apprentice Line Technician with the City of Roseville.

**AND**

**Training:**

Equivalent to completion of the twelfth (12th) grade, GED, or higher level degree, and completion of a recognized power line apprenticeship program.
License and Certificate

Possession of a valid California driver’s license by date of appointment.

Possession of a valid California class A driver’s license within six (6) months of date of appointment.

Possession of, or ability to obtain, First Aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certificates within six (6) months of date of appointment.