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### **Unclassified Job Announcement**

## **ELECTRICAL ENGINEER**

**Engineering Division** 

The Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (PUCN) is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Electrical Engineer for the Regulatory Operations, Engineering Division. This is an unclassified full-time exempt position within Nevada State Government.

<u>About the PUCN</u>: The PUCN is a regulatory agency that ensures investor-owned utilities comply with laws enacted by the Nevada Legislature. For more information about the agency, please visit the PUCN website at http://puc.nv.gov.

## The Positions Key Areas of Responsibility:

- Performs comprehensive audits and inspection of utility plant investments such as generation facilities, new transmission and distribution facilities, and other plant records in the context of utility general rate case applications and other regulatory filings.
- Perform comprehensive reviews of utility Integrated Resource Plan filings.
- Performs data and trend analysis on State reportable utility service outages, and makes planning and investment recommendations.
- Reviews and monitors key transmission and distribution reliability metrics for regulated utilities.
- Performs data and trend analysis to monitor generation plant performance and reliability in the context of deferred energy applications and other regulatory filings.
- Reviews and processes Utility Environmental Protection Act ("UEPA") permits for renewable energy facilities, conventional power plants, and for transmission lines required to aid in the delivery of renewable energy and conventional energy.
- Performs inspections and writes field reports on renewable energy systems that have applied with the PUCN for participation in the Nevada Portfolio Energy Credit ("PEC") trading program.
- Works on and processes the numerous renewable energy plans and contracts that are filed with the Commission.
- Participates in all renewable energy rulemaking/investigative Dockets needed to address renewable energy issues within the state of Nevada.
- Provides written testimony and orally defends testimony for proceedings brought before the Commission; and serves as an expert witness.
- Prepares and presents testimony to legislative committees.
- Makes presentations to various state, local and federal agencies.
- Analyzes issues and evaluates other parties' written and oral testimony for accuracy, logic and consistency with existing Commission policy, state statutes and regulations, and writes rebuttal testimony based upon analysis.

- May be expected to perform additional job-related duties and to have or develop additional specific job-related knowledge and skills.
- May be expected to attend Bureau of Land Management scoping meetings regarding renewable
  energy projects or associated renewable energy transmission lines, as well as attending state,
  city or county meetings regarding renewable energy issues in order to keep the PUCN apprised
  of potential renewable energy developments.

### **Skills Required:**

Must be highly professional, well-organized, self-motivated, and possess leadership skills. Must be able to work independently with minimal supervision as well as in a team environment in collaboration with other engineers, auditors, economists, and legal staff; compile and summarize information and prepare correspondence, periodic or special reports related to assignments; and contribute effectively to the accomplishment of the team or agency goals, objectives, and activities. Provides written and oral testimony for proceedings brought before the Commission. Must possess skill in effective written and verbal communication; required skills also include planning, prioritizing and executing timelines without the need for supervision. Must be available for travel (typically up to 25% of the time).

#### **Minimum Qualifications:**

Bachelors degree from an accredited college or university with major course work in engineering or closely related field and three years professional level experience with a regulated utility company or an agency responsible for regulating utilities; OR An equivalent combination of education and experience.

Approx. Annual Salary Up To \$85,836 (Salary reflects retirement (PERS) contributions by both the employee and the employer. An employer paid contribution plan is also available with a reduced gross salary.) Please note: Furlough leave is mandatory for Nevada State employees and will result in a reduction of income of approximately 2.3% (or 6 furlough days per fiscal year) through June 30, 2015. The Salary listed above does not reflect the reduction from the required furlough.

Salary offers are based on a wide array of factors such as a candidate's experience, skills, and education. Once hired, salary growth within the job classification will be based on performance development and budget availability.

**Benefits:** The State benefits package includes enrollment into the Public Retirement System (www.nvpers.org), a choice of health insurance plans (www.pebp.state.nv.us), eleven paid holidays, and paid annual leave and sick leave, after appropriate waiting periods. Other optional benefits are also available, including a deferred compensation program.

**<u>Position Location:</u>** The position will be located in Carson City, Nevada.

**Resumes Will Be Accepted Until:** Recruitment Needs Are Satisfied

# **Submit Cover Letter and Resume / Direct Inquiries To:**

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