



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission

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Elia Germani, Chairman

Vacancy Notice

Special Projects Coordinator – Utilities Engineer

(Classification Grade 827)
\$50,786 - \$57,440

Application Period: All resumes, with cover letter, must be received by March 19, 2010, or until the position is filled.

Application Requirements: Please send cover letter and resume to:

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Candidates selected for interview may be required to submit official transcripts and/or signed letters of reference.

Please Note: This position is subject to the availability of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding and limited through October 31, 2013.



Duties and Responsibilities: Please see the attached job description.

Reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities can be arranged in order to perform the essential functions of the job. The Public Utilities Commission is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on the basis of age, color, sex, sexual orientation, race, religion, national origin, or disability.

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Unclassified Job Description

Title: Special Projects Coordinator – Utilities Engineer

Salary Range: Grade 127A, \$50,786 - \$57,440

Shift, Days, and Location: Non-standard; M-F; Warwick, Rhode Island

General Statement of Duties: To provide technical expertise and services to the Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) and represent the Commission in statewide, regional, and national initiatives related to transmission planning and the development of renewable energy resources. Must work in collaboration with other staff members to support the Commission in its statutory obligations and proceedings, and to do related work as required.

Supervision Received: Reports to the Commission’s Principal Policy Analyst and works in cooperation with the Commissioners and staff, with considerable latitude for the exercise of initiative and independent judgment; work is subject to review for conformance to established policies, rules, regulations, and provisions of law.

Supervision Exercised: This position does not require direct supervision of support staff. The individual selected will be expected to work in coordination with other staff members to meet the needs of the Commission.

Illustrative Examples of Work Performed and Essential Functions

- To review applications for renewable energy resource certification in conjunction with Commission staff and consultants.
- To monitor the on-going eligibility of renewable energy generators and the production of such generating units.
- To review demonstrations of compliance from obligated entities for compliance with the rules and regulations governing the state’s renewable energy standard.
- To ensure that the Commission meets its statutory responsibilities as it relates to the state’s renewable energy standard and associated rules and regulations.
- To participate in hearings involving transmission and other utility engineering matters.
- To understand and develop recommendations, findings, and reports on interstate and intrastate transmission projects and other utility engineering matters for the Commission.
- To be responsible for analyzing pertinent information and evidence in order to provide technical expertise to the Commission and staff for the proper execution of their responsibilities.
- To draft application forms and compliance forms as needed.
- To ensure a timely, courteous response to public inquiries related to Commission business and regulatory matters.
- To do related work as required.

Required Qualifications

Knowledge and Skills:

Engineering expertise as it relates to utility-scale transmission systems and/or electric generation.

A thorough understanding of state and federal laws, rules and regulations and accepted engineering standards of operation relative to electric utility activities.

An understanding of the laws, rules and regulations governing the state's renewable energy standard, as well as knowledge of the NEPOOL GIS system and other relevant state and federal laws, rules, and regulations governing electric utilities.

Superior writing and speaking skills and a demonstrated ability to communicate both orally and in writing with various publics.

Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively with coworkers and staff in other state and federal agencies, and other stakeholders.

Education:

Such as may have been gained through graduation from an accredited college or university with a degree in engineering or related field.

Experience:

Such as may have been gained through considerable experience in a responsible capacity within a utility regulatory agency or professional engineering experience with an electric generation or electric distribution/transmission utility company; or with an industry or firm involving familiarity with the operation of a public utility.

Or:

Any combination of education and experience that shall be substantially equivalent to the above education and experience requirements.

Special Requirements:

Applicant must have own transportation and be available some evenings for public hearings.

Applicant will be expected to attend regional meetings, as well as seminars, trainings, and conferences related to energy matters, thus, must have the ability to occasionally travel out-of-state.