## CHIEF OPERATOR, GRADE 2A (WASTEWATER) AND SYSTEM SUPERVISOR II\*

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** This is a supervisory and technical position involving responsibility for the complete and actual operation of a wastewater treatment plant having a plant point score of 31-55\*\* and using the activated sludge process (including all modifications) in its treatment. The incumbent also has responsibility for the safe, efficient operation and maintenance of a wastewater collection system including pump stations. General direction is received from either the appointing authority or an administrative officer. Supervision is exercised over a number of unskilled and skilled subordinates. During periods of emergency, employees in this class are expected to work other than normal working hours. Does related work as required.

## **TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:**

Supervises the functions of the treatment plant to assure conformance to operation standards;

Makes daily inspection of plant and plant machinery;

Makes or supervises necessary tests for control of plant operation;

Supervises the maintenance and repair of machinery;

Instructs and supervises subordinate employees;

Maintains inventory of supplies, chemicals and equipment;

Requisitions materials;

Supervises and participates in the maintenance of wastewater pipe lines;

Supervises the operation and maintenance of pumping stations;

Participates in meetings with superiors, engineers, contractors, subordinate staff and other interested parties to discuss and, as appropriate, resolve operating and maintenance problems;

Participates in training and instruction programs;

Insures the maintenance of adequate records and the preparation of reports on operations and the use of materials, manpower and equipment.

## **FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:**

Thorough knowledge of the practices used and equipment required in the operation and maintenance of a wastewater treatment plant using the activated sludge process (including all modifications) and having a plant point score of 31-55\*\*; good knowledge of the principles and applications of physics, chemistry and bacteriology as applied to wastewater treatment and disposal; good knowledge of the methods, procedures, safety practices and equipment used in the maintenance of wastewater collection systems and wastewater pumping stations; ability to supervise the operation and repair of pumps, valves, and related mechanical and electrical equipment; ability to make routine laboratory and field tests for control of plant operation; ability to plan and supervise the work of subordinates; ability to interpret routine public works engineering plans and specifications; ability to prepare activity records and reports; mechanical aptitude; alertness and dependability.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** Possession of a valid Grade 2A or higher (Wastewater) certificate issued by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation plus five (5) years experience in maintenance and/or construction which included wastewater systems; one (1) year of which was in a supervisory capacity.

**NOTE:** Certification qualifications shall consist of education, training and practical experience as defined in Part 650 of the Department of Environmental Conservation Regulations.

## **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1. When required to operate a motor vehicle, possession of a valid driver's license appropriate to the kind and size of vehicle to be driven.
- 2. Must maintain the Grade 2A or higher (Wastewater) certificate throughout the course of employment in this title.
- \*\*As determined by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation plant point score system which is based on type and complexity of the wastewater treatment plant.
- \*This is a retitling of Chief Operator, Grade II-A (Wastewater) and System Supervisor II.