JOB DESCRIPTION

Position Title: Apprentice Lineman

Department: Operations

Reports To: Line Supervisor

FLSA Status: Hourly

Education Requirements: High School Diploma/GED required. Commercial Driver's License and First Aid/CPR Certification preferred. Also, any utility line training from a certificated program (COLT) is preferred.

Experience Requirements: Previous work experience or education in electric field preferred. Also, past work experience in inclement weather and/or experience with heights is beneficial.

Physical Requirements: Ability to lift 75 lbs, work in inclement weather and walk rough terrain. Ability to climb poles.

Summary: Always as an apprentice under the day to day direction of the Line Supervisor or Journeyman Lineman as progressively learn construction and maintenance of de-energized or energized distribution, substations and transformer banks. Duties are similar to a journeyman lineman and will be increased based on level of training, education and on-the-job experience.

Work consists of all phases of line construction, patrolling of lines, clearing of minor right-of-way issues and voltage and operating equipment in substation including switching of transmission and distribution feeds. Makes consumer connects and disconnects and other duties as requested or assigned. It is essential through the apprentice program to acquire detailed knowledge of electric distribution layouts including both overhead and underground feeds and circuits, installation of meters and transformers, and operations of sectionalizing equipments, regulators, and by-pass switching. Sound knowledge of REA construction specifications, National Electric Safety Code, OSHA requirements, and company policy and procedures.

This position requires participation in an on-call after hours cycle after 6 months of training and evaluation by line supervisor is completed. Apprentice lineman should live within a reasonable distance of the Cooperative office to respond to after hour and emergency outages. Ability to work well in a team-oriented environment. The position also requires strong interpersonal skills and communication skills for member/consumers and public contact.

While obtaining on-the-job experience, education including the COLT will be completed. Timely completion of this program will be expected.

This job description is no way state or implies that these are the only duties to be performed by the employee incumbent in this position. Employee will be required to follow any other job-related instructions and to perform any other job related duties requested by any person authorized to give instructions or assignments.