JOB CLASSIFICATION: Meter Mechanic/Backflow Tester

**SALARY:** \$6,304 - \$7,297 Monthly

\$75,648 - \$87,564 Annually

**OPENING DATE:** Monday, December 14, 2015

**CLOSING DATE:** Monday, December 28, 2015 by 4:30 p.m.

**OPEN TO:** General Public

# THE POSITION

Meter Mechanic/Backflow Testers work in the office, shop and field while coordinating site surveys, inspecting, testing, installing, and repairing backflow prevention devices and related metering and control equipment. They also perform related work as needed.

Typical responsibilities include:

- Locating, inspecting, and testing existing backflow prevention devices and water meters.
- Repairing and installing backflow assemblies and meters.
- Investigating to determine cross-connection hazards.
- Advising consumers on East Bay Municipal Utility District's (EBMUD) cross-connection control ordinances and regulations, requiring installation of backflow prevention where necessary.
- Maintaining accurate service records.
- Observing proper safety precautions and maintaining tools, supplies, equipment, and the work site in a safe condition.
- Directing the work of lower-level employees on specific projects or maintenance procedures.
- Investigating and responding to customer complaints regarding cross-connections and backflow prevention.
- Ensuring compliance with EBMUD, state, and federal regulations for backflow prevention.

The ideal candidate will have previous cross-connection and inspection experience; familiarity with utilities and recycled water operations; excellent customer service skills; and the ability to work independently and effectively in the field with minimal supervision.

# **SALARY INFORMATION**

The salary range is \$6,304 per month increasing to \$6,619, \$6,950, and \$7,297 after 12, 24, and 36 months, respectively.

EBMUD is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All qualified candidates will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, or protected veteran status and will not be discriminated against on the basis of disability.

# REQUIREMENTS

A typical means of acquiring the essential knowledge and abilities is:

- 1. Possession of a high school diploma or its equivalent; AND
- 2. Two years of experience as a skilled water meter mechanic or equivalent experience installing and maintaining mechanical control devices.

Possession of both a General Tester license and a Cross-Connection Specialist certificate is highly desirable. The incumbent must possess the approved certificate that demonstrates competency as a backflow prevention device tester within one year of employment.

Candidates must possess both a valid California driver's license and a satisfactory driving record. Candidates must be physically capable of performing the critical and important duties of the job, including having sufficient strength to lift 70-pound meters. Must be willing to work outdoors in a variety of weather conditions and work overtime as needed.

# THE SELECTION PROCESS

- 1. Submit a completed EBMUD application and the required supplemental question responses online at www.ebmud.com by 4:30 p.m., Monday, December 28, 2015. Only application materials submitted online during the filing period will be accepted.
- 2. All qualified applications and supplemental responses will be competitively evaluated, with those candidates demonstrating the strongest qualifications for the position to be invited to a panel interview scheduled for early January 2016.
- 3. Successful candidates will be placed on the hiring list, based on rank, for further consideration to fill the current regular vacancy, as well as others occurring over the next 12 to 24 months.

# SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS

As the first step in the selection process, responses to the supplemental questions must be submitted online with the regular EBMUD application. Please provide thorough, accurate descriptions of assignments you have personally performed.

- 1. Describe your experience reading and maintaining meters, backflow devices and related devices (i.e. pressure regulators, pumps, etc.), including the types and sizes of equipment you have worked on.
- 2. Describe your experience in enforcing EBMUD and/or state ordinances when working with customers in order to meet regulatory compliance.
- 3. Do you possess a current, valid license as a General Tester?
- 4. Doyou possess a current, valid certificate as a Cross-Connection Specialist?

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