

Rio Grande Electric Cooperative, Inc.
APPRENTICE LINEMAN
Job Specifications

Job Knowledge, Education and Training: High School Graduate or equivalent. Must be able to learn and apply information from technical manuals in the completion of duties. Must be able to complete reports and other paperwork and should be able to perform mathematical calculations. Must acquire a working knowledge of construction, maintenance and service of electric distribution facilities within a reasonable time span as determined by Cooperative apprenticeship program. Must learn and practice Cooperative's Safety Rules and Procedures. Must learn RUS Materials and the National Electric Safety Code as required for each phase of the apprenticeship program. Must be or become certified in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Successful completion of each phase of the apprenticeship program is required.

Abilities and Skills: Position requires climbing utility poles and/or standing in a hydraulic bucket to work at heights installing transformers and other hardware, on lines, often working in awkward positions. Must be able to learn to operate assigned equipment including bucket trucks, digger trucks, lift trucks, trenchers, winches, drills and high compression tools. Must possess good interpersonal skills including the ability to maintain a harmonious relationship with all cooperative personnel and the members. Must possess oral and written communications skills in the English language. Must possess a valid Texas Driver's License and be insurable with the Cooperative's insurance carrier. Must have or obtain a Class "A" CDL within six months from hire. As individual progresses through the apprenticeship program they must be able to perform pole top rescue. Frequently moves and/or carries materials and equipment weighing up to fifty pounds. Occasionally moves and/or carries items that weigh up to 100 pounds. Shovels dirt, works around noisy equipment and visually inspects work for safe connections.

Working Conditions: Activities are performed on energized lines and deenergized lines. Non-exempt position. Irregular hours including nights, weekends and holidays. Overtime is required. Must be able to work standby and during emergencies. Must be able to work under adverse weather conditions such as extreme heat or cold, high winds or stormy conditions. To ensure all employees are drug and alcohol free, pre-employment, post accident, reasonable cause and random drug and alcohol tests are conducted in compliance with Department of Transportation regulations.

Is there anything that would keep you from meeting the job requirements as outlined above?

Yes No

Signature and Date