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NOTICE OF POSITION VACANCY

APPRENTICE LINEMAN

POSITION TITLE: **Apprentice Lineman - Electric**
RECRUITMENT DATES: **August 05 - 19, 2026**
SALARY: **Depending On Experience**
JOB TYPE: **Full-Time**
FLSA STATUS: **Non-Exempt**
LOCATION: **Canton Municipal Utilities (CMU)**

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: If you are searching for an entry-level position in the utilities filed, we may have the ideal job for you. Canton Municipal Utilities (CMU) is a municipal government utility company that is recruiting for an Apprentice Lineman. The Apprentice Lineman is the entry-level class for this skilled electrical trade. Under close supervision incumbents learn and perform basic aspects of the trade and learn how to work with energized high voltage distribution or transmission line voltages, while assisting Lineman with the construction, maintenance, and repairs on the electrical overhead and underground distribution and transmission system.

Install, repair and maintain overhead and underground electrical power lines and auxiliary equipment.

THE ESSENTIAL DUTIES:

The duties listed below are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work that may be performed. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related or a logical assignment to the class.

Examples of essential duties include:

- Learn and assist with performing the construction, maintenance, and repairs on the electrical overhead and underground distribution and transmission system.
- Learn and assist with operating, inspecting, and maintaining aerial devices, digger/derricks, excavation equipment, and other electric line related equipment.
- Learn and observe proper safety precautions, particularly when working on or near energized circuits and with hazardous chemicals.
- Dig pole and anchor holes. Load and unload, remove and install, and transport framing poles. Set transformers and pull underground primary and secondary conductors.



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- Assist with performing distribution switching, documentation and mapping information, and perform other related duties as assigned.
- Must be able to climb a power pole using climbing hooks and belt.
- All other duties as required or requested by Supervisor.

Work Environment & Physical Demands:

- Frequent standing, walking, sitting, bending, stooping, climbing, and pushing/pulling.
- Using a hoist and dollies to lift and move heavy objects.
- Physically lifting and moving objects weighing up to 50 lbs. on a frequent basis.
- Ability to perform essential duties in an environment that entails a variety of weather conditions (rain, heat, sun, cold) and extreme temperatures.
- Working at heights of up to 60' above ground level.
- Must participate as needed in working overtime on evenings and weekends.
- Must be able to respond within 30 minutes to the Utility Service Center when on-call.
- Available for 24-hour on-call and emergency response.
- Must be able to pass pre-employment drug test, background check and MVR (motor vehicle records) check.

Knowledge, Skills & Abilities:

- Knowledge of and the ability to use the following equipment: manual digging devices, wrenches, hammers, saws and other equipment with proper hearing protection.
- Must work well with the public and customers.
- Must have good attendance, be dependable, demonstrate initiative and work well in a team environment.
- Must be able to communicate well with other employees, utilities and customers (verbal and written).
- Must be motivated, attentive and alert.

Minimum Qualifications:

- High school diploma or GED equivalent.
- Valid commercial driver's license (class A or B) required with clean driving record.
- Minimum two (2) years' experience with power line construction, transmission/distribution preferred.
- Must have a basic knowledge of electricity, pole-line materials, the proper and safe use of tools and equipment used in line construction and maintenance.
- Must be proficient in pole-top and bucket rescue procedures.



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- Should possess the ability to climb poles and exercise proper and safe use of hand-tools while working on a pole, under strict supervision.

HOW TO APPLY:

- **Interested applicants must submit a cover letter and resume' to:**

ATTN: Director, Human Resources-CMU

127 West Peace Street

Canton, MS 39046

Email To: hr@cmu.com

- **Resumes' must be received by 5:00 p.m. on the closing date of this announcement or August 19, 2026**

This job posting is a summary of the primary duties and responsibilities of the position. It is not intended to be a comprehensive listing of all duties and responsibilities.

We're an equal opportunity employer. All applicants will be considered for employment without attention to race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy, gender identity, and sexual orientation), national origin, age (40 or older), disability, genetic information, and any other protected status