

**Gas Pipeline Safety Inspector (Utility Analyst/Public Service Coordinator III)
Consumer Assistance and Safety Division**

Code: YC01

Opening date: May 13, 2022

Closing date: June 3, 2022

The Maine Public Utilities Commission (MPUC) is seeking a qualified applicant to fill the position of Gas Pipeline Safety Inspector (GPSI). Maine's gas safety team is nationally recognized and has received perfect scores from the federal Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration (PHMSA). The GPSI will conduct inspections at natural gas utility and jurisdictional propane facilities to ensure compliance with federal and state gas safety regulations and will be based at the MPUC in Hallowell, Maine. The GPSI will also assist the Gas Pipeline Safety Manager in preparing reports, tracking inspection activity, and communicating compliance expectations to regulated gas utilities.

This position reports to the Gas Pipeline Safety Manager and the work requires careful attention to detail and excellent communication skills, as well as the ability to work as part of a team. The work of the GPSI will involve frequent statewide travel and occasional overnights.

The GPSI will be required to successfully complete the 14 mandatory, one-week, PHMSA courses for Gas Inspectors within three years of hire. Most of these courses are conducted at the PHMSA Training and Qualification Division, in Oklahoma City, OK, though some may be offered remotely. Coursework and travel are paid by the MPUC.

A degree in engineering (or relevant field) and/or a combination of the following is preferred: gas technician certification, relevant experience at a gas utility company, propane operator, regulatory agency, or law enforcement agency. Excellent communication and documentation skills are preferred. Basic computer skills and a valid driver's license are required.

Salary range is \$70,000-\$85,000 commensurate with experience

Benefits:

No matter where you work across Maine state government, you find employees who embody our state motto—"Dirigo" or "I lead"—as they provide essential services to Mainers every day. We believe in supporting our workforce's health and wellbeing with a valuable total compensation package, including:

- **Work-Life Balance** – Rest is essential. Take time for yourself using **13 paid holidays, 12 days of sick leave, and 3+ weeks of vacation leave** annually. Vacation leave accrual increases with years of service, and overtime-exempt employees receive personal leave.
- **Health Insurance Coverage** – The State of Maine pays **85%-100%** of employee-only premiums (\$9,893.52-\$11,057.52 annual value), depending on salary. Use this chart to find the [premium costs](#) for you and your family, including the percentage of dependent coverage paid by the State.
- **Health Insurance Premium Credit** – Participation decreases employee-only premiums by 5%. Visit the Office of Employee Health and Wellness for more information about [program requirements](#).
- **Dental Insurance** – The State of Maine pays 100% of employee-only dental premiums (\$350.40 annual value).

- **Retirement Plan** – The State of Maine contributes **17.96% of pay** to the Maine Public Employees Retirement System (MainePERS), on behalf of the employee.
- **Gym Membership Reimbursement** – Improve overall health with regular exercise and receive up to \$40 per month to offset this expense.
- **Health and Dependent Care Flexible Spending Accounts** – Set aside money pre-tax to help pay for out-of-pocket health care expenses and/or daycare expenses.
- **Public Service Student Loan Forgiveness** – The State of Maine is a qualified employer for this federal program. For more information, visit the [Federal Student Aid office](#).
- **Living Resources Program** – Navigate challenging work and life situations with our employee assistance program.
- **Parental leave** is one of the most important benefits for any working parent. All employees who are welcoming a child—including fathers and adoptive parents—receive **four weeks of fully paid parental leave**. Additional, unpaid leave may also be available, under the [Family and Medical Leave Act](#).
- **Voluntary Deferred Compensation** – Save additional pre-tax funds for retirement in a MaineSaves 457(b) account through payroll deductions.
- Learn about **additional wellness benefits** for State employees from the [Office of Employee Health and Wellness](#)

Application Instructions:

The job announcement and application can be found on the State of Maine’s website at [Gas Pipeline Safety Inspector \(Utility Analyst/Public Service Coordinator III\) at State of Maine \(trakstar.com\)](#)

Contact Information:

For more information or questions, please contact Jamie Waterbury, Maine Public Utilities Commission, at jamie.a.waterbury@maine.gov or 207-287-1360.

Information provided during the application, interview and selection process will be verified.

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