

Deputy Chief Engineer

Shawnee County

Location

Full-Time

Full/Part Time

Corporation Commission

Agency



Important Recruitment Information for this vacancy

- **Job Posting closes: Open Until Filled**

Agency Information:

The Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) currently has a vacancy for an unclassified Deputy Chief Engineer in the Utility Division's Energy Operations and Pipeline Safety Section for the Topeka location. The KCC is a multi-faceted agency responsible for regulating public utilities including electric, natural gas, telecommunication and water companies as well as motor carriers, oil and gas pipelines and oil and gas natural production activities. The Commission's headquarters is in Topeka with the central Conservation office in Wichita and four Conservation district offices located in Dodge City, Wichita, Chanute and Hays.

About the Position

- **Who can apply:** Anyone with a BS in Engineering and substantial experience in engineering.
- **Classified/Unclassified Service:** Unclassified
- **Full-Time/Part-Time:** Full-Time
- **Regular/Temporary:** Regular
- **Work Schedule:** Monday - Friday 8 - 5
- **Eligible to Receive Benefits:** Yes
- **Veterans' Preference Eligible:** Yes
- **Search Keywords:** Topeka, Shawnee, KCC, Engineer, Utilities

Compensation: \$90,000 - \$99,000

** Salary can vary depending upon education, experience, or qualifications.*

Employment Benefits

- Hybrid Work Environment
- Comprehensive medical, mental, dental, vision, and additional coverage
- Sick & Vacation leave
- Work-Life Balance programs: parental leave, military leave, jury leave, funeral leave
- Paid State Holidays (designated by the Governor annually)
- Fitness Centers in select locations

- Employee discounts with the [STAR Program](#)
- Retirement and deferred compensation programs

[Visit the Employee Benefits page for more information...](#)

Position Summary & Responsibilities

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- This is a leadership position that assists the Chief Engineer in directing activities of the engineering operations section and directing activities of the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Inspectors and technical staff. This position has future promotional opportunities.

Job Responsibilities may include but are not limited to the following:

- Assists Chief Engineer in directing activities of engineering operations section in monitoring, reviewing and analyzing electric, water, natural gas utility, and intrastate liquid pipeline programs and operations for efficiency and sufficiency of service, including investigation of customer complaints.
- Assists Chief Engineer in directing activities of inspectors and technical staff regarding the pipeline safety inspection program; investigating natural gas incidents; reviewing inspection results; and recommending corrective action for any violations of pipeline safety or Kansas Underground Utility Damage Prevention Act regulations.
- At the direction of the Chief Engineer, represents the Commission as a liaison with outside organizations such as investor owned utilities, city governments, the media, and general inquiries from the public on matters concerning electric and natural gas utility operations, pipeline safety, emergency response, and underground utility damage prevention.
- Provides assistance and technical advice to Commissioners, other agency personnel, utility personnel, and the general public. In addition, the incumbent may be requested to provide testimony before legislative committees.
- Assists in directing the activities of the section with regard to transmission line siting applications, certificate applications, Electric Line (EL) notices, and other miscellaneous filings of electric, gas and water utilities.
- Participates, in coordination with SPP and FERC Workgroups, in transmission line and integrated market issues at the Southwest Power Pool and before the Commission.
- Reviews, in coordination with other sections, need for and reasonableness of new generation resources, environmental and other facilities, either as part of formal "predetermination" review or otherwise.
- Assists in the Coordination of the Commission's participation in the Kansas Emergency Response Plan regarding the obligations listed in emergency support function 12.
- Assists in the administrative oversight of employees.

Qualifications

Education:

- Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering

Licensing & Certification:

- Prefer Professional Engineering License

Preferred Qualifications:

- Substantial experience in the engineering field. Prefer 10 plus years of experience in utility related engineering experience or a related field.
- Excellent oral and written communications skills.
- Supervisory experience.

Post-Offer/Pre-employment Requirements:

- **Kansas Tax Clearance Certificate** required in accordance with Executive Order 2004-03. Each applicant (even non-residents) who is selected for a State of Kansas job vacancy must apply for a Tax Clearance Certificate within 10 days from the date of the offer letter by accessing the Kansas Department of Revenue's (KDOR) website at <https://www.ksrevenue.gov/taxclearance.html>
 - If you need assistance with the tax clearance, please contact Kansas Department of Revenue at (785)296-3199 or by email at kdor_specialprojects@ks.gov
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Recruiter Contact Information

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Job Application Process

- **First Sign** in or register as a **New User**.
- **Complete or update your contact information** on the Careers> My Contact Information page. *This information is included on all your job applications.
- **Upload required documents** listed below for the Careers> My Job Applications page. *This information is included on all your job applications.
- Start your **draft job application**, upload other required documents, and Submit when it is complete.
 - Manage your draft and submitted applications on the Careers> My Job Applications page.
- **Check your email** and **My Job Notifications** for written communications from the Recruiter.
 - Email – sent to the Preferred email on the My Contact Information page
 - Notifications – view the Careers> My Job Notifications page

Helpful Resources at jobs.ks.gov: “How to Apply for a Job – Instructions” and “How to Search for a Job – Instructions”

Required Documents for this Application to be Complete

Upload these on the Careers - My Job Applications page

- Transcripts
- DD214 (if you are claiming Veteran’s Preference)

Upload these on the Attachments step in your Job Application

- Cover Letter
- Resume

Helpful Resources at jobs.ks.gov: “How, What, & Where do I Upload Documents”

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identity, national origin, age, political affiliation, disability or any other factor unrelated to the essential functions of the job.

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