

State of Idaho Opportunity

Public Utilities Commission

Applications will be accepted through 4:59 PM MST on the posting end date.

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The Idaho Public Utilities Commission has an exciting new opportunity for a full-time **Pipeline Safety Inspector** in Boise on the State of Idaho Chinden Campus, located at 11331 W. Chinden Blvd, Building 8. The selected candidate will assist in the planning, organizing, and ensure compliance with the CFR 49 Transportation of Hazardous Materials and related laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to pipeline safety.

The Commission regulates investor-owned or privately-owned utilities that provide gas, water, electricity, or some telephone services for profit as well as overseeing the safe operation of intrastate pipelines and enforces state and federal regulations safeguarding the transportation of hazardous materials by rail.

Summary:

This position will require extensive statewide and some out-of-state travel. Incumbents may be exposed to hazardous materials and/or conditions and will be subjected to loud noise, extreme weather conditions, and exposure to construction-site hazards, natural gas incidents, and high-pressure pipeline systems.

The incumbent will be required to successfully complete the PHMSA Sponsored Qualification and Training program for pipeline inspectors within 3 years of hire through a series of mandated pipeline safety courses.

The incumbent is required to pass all testing from the PHMSA sponsored Qualification and Training Program. The first test must be passed during the entrance-probationary period, and the probationary period may be extended at the Commission's discretion to accommodate additional test dates.

Example of Duties:

Investigation/Inspection:

- Under jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission, enforce state and federal laws/rules and conduct investigations and inspections including audit natural gas operator's safety records and operations
- Perform pipeline safety field inspections
- Conduct pipeline construction and design reviews
- Perform pipeline personnel training and qualification inspections
- Apply Enforcement Actions under Federal and State Laws/Rules
- Interpret state and federal laws/rules and regulations
- Develop supportive evidence to sustain criminal or civil forfeiture actions, cease and desist orders, or similar proceedings
- Document frequency and nature of violations and circumstances that prove willful violations
- Organize evidence into detailed written reports on violations and recommend corrective action be taken

Communication/Technical Assistance:

- Prepare reports and recommendations regarding safety and compliance with rules and regulations
- Prepare data, exhibits and testimony for hearings
- Present testimony
- Submit to cross-examination
- Provide technical assistance and information on safety and related topics
- Act as a liaison for public relations issues with officials and employees, legal staff, county and state officials and federal employees
- Create and provide safety presentations to stakeholders

Minimum Qualifications:

Some knowledge of:

- Industrial safety and construction safety practices and methods;
- Engineering principles, methods and techniques.

Experience:

- Planning and conducting record audits for compliance with laws and regulations;
- Interpreting, applying and explaining laws and regulations;
- Preparing written narrative reports and oral presentations of findings.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience investigating, inspecting or working on pipelines using CRF 49 Parts 190-199;
- Qualified status or partial training from the Federal Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS) sponsored Qualified and Training Program to perform pipeline safety inspections.

Benefits:

This position is eligible for the state benefits package, including:

- Excellent low-cost medical, dental, and vision insurance
- Generous vacation and sick leave accrual beginning as soon as you start
- Eligibility for the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PSLF)
- Paid parental leave
- Eleven paid holidays a year
- Participation in one of the nation's best state retirement systems: PERSI
- Multiple retirement plans
- Life insurance
- Wellness programs; ongoing training opportunities; and more

EEO/ADA/Veteran:

The State of Idaho is committed to providing equal employment opportunities and prohibit discrimination against qualified individuals based on their status as protected veterans or individuals with disabilities and prohibit discrimination against all individuals based on their race, color, religion, political affiliation or belief, sex, national origin, genetics, or any other status protected under applicable federal, state, or local laws.

The State of Idaho is committed to access and reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities, auxiliary aids and services are available upon request. If you require an accommodation at any step in our recruitment process, you are encouraged to contact (208) 334-2263 (TTY/TTD: 711), or email ada.coordinator@dhr.idaho.gov.

Preference may be given to veterans who qualify under state and federal laws and regulations.