### WATER MAINTENANCE MECHANIC TRAINEE

### **DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:**

This is a one (1) year traineeship involving responsibility for learning and performing the duties and routines involved in the maintenance and repair of a municipal water system. The incumbent undergoes on-the-job training and generally assists in all aspects of the maintenance and repair of a water system. The work is performed under immediate supervision of a higher level employee.

#### **TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:**

The following is indicative of the level and types of activities performed by incumbents in this title. It is not meant to be all inclusive and does not preclude a supervisor from assigning activities not listed which could reasonably be expected to be performed by an employee in this title.

- 1. Learns techniques related to the water system through observations and assisting with repairs;
- 2. Assists in making taps on street water mains for service to consumers;
- 3. Learns and assists in, installing and performing related maintenance tasks to hydrants, gates, mains, pumps, sprinklers, meters, etc.;
- 4. Assists and operates a line tracer to locate water mains and service;
- 5. Learns to turn water on or off by operating control valves and gates;
- 6. Learns how to investigate, locate and repair water and wastewater leaks;
- 7. Assists in cleaning, repairing, raising and lowering curb and gate boxes;
- 8. Learns to care for tools, supplies, and equipment;
- 9. May operate a backhoe, truck and power rodding machine;
- 10. Performs increasingly responsible duties as assigned in the operation and maintenance of a municipal wastewater system.

# **FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILL AND ABILITIES:**

Knowledge of the practice, tools terminology and safety precautions used in the maintenance and repair of water systems;

Skill in working with the tools and equipment of the trade;

Ability to read plans or sketches;

Ability to understand and carry out written and oral instructions;

Ability to withstand heavy labor for extended periods in emergencies;

Ability to get along well with others;

Personal characteristics necessary to perform the duties of the position;

Physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

# **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

EITHER: (A) One year of experience which involved work in the installation or maintenance of

water, wastewater, plumbing or related lines and systems;

OR: (B) Two years of experience involving building maintenance or construction.

## SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR APPOINTMENT:

Possession of a New York State driver license at time of appointment and to maintain position.

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