

BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION REASSIGNMENT OPPORTUNITY INTEREST ANNOUNCEMENT BPA-25-IA-005

Electrical Engineer For Classified position: Electrical Engineer, GS-0830-12 and 13 Term Length: Permanent Reassignment Number of Vacancies: Few

OPENS: 5/16/2025

CLOSES: 5/30/2025

POSITION LOCATION: Vancouver, WA; Spokane, WA; Portland, OR; Idaho Falls, ID; Seattle, WA; Kalispell, MT; Redmond, OR; Kent, WA; The Dalles, OR; Goshen, OR; North Bend, OR; Goldcreek, MT; Keizer, OR; Snohomish, WA; Olympia, WA; Grand Coulee, WA; Bremerton, WA; Pasco, WA; Umatilla, OR; Richland, WA; Malin, OR; Clarkston, WA; Longview, WA; East Wenatchee, WA; Wenatchee, WA

WHO MAY APPLY: Career or career-conditional Department of Energy (DOE) and Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) employees currently at the GS-12 and GS-13 level or equivalent. There is no promotion potential with this reassignment and your resume will be considered at the grade you currently hold (GS-12 or GS-13 or equivalent).

NOTES: Relocation is **not** authorized. Occasional travel may be required. Low Risk or Moderate Risk background investigation may be required.

MAJOR DUTIES:

There are positions in field services and non-field services. Field Services is responsible for field switching operation and maintenance of Bonneville's high-voltage electrical transmission system to provide safe, reliable, and cost-effective service to customers. Non-field services is responsible for performing atypical or highly difficult professional engineering studies and assignments within the subject-matter or functional area assigned.

As an Electrical Engineer, you may:

- Plan and carry out engineering studies, analyses, and calculations for the solution of problems associated with the overall planning, design, or operation of a high-voltage power generation and transmission system, applying a thorough knowledge of standard high-voltage power systems.
- Design, analyze, and review designs of high and low voltage electric power distribution and utilization systems.
- Perform design and engineering functions for older or well-established electric power distribution and utilization systems or electrical generating equipment when new requirements or changed requirements are imposed, such as greater efficiency or closer tolerances involving substantial modification of existing equipment.
- Responsible for field switching operation and maintenance of Bonneville's high-voltage electrical transmission system to provide safe, reliable, and cost-effective service to customers.
- Serves as Electrical Engineer in System Protection for system integration, modification, redesign, troubleshooting, installation, operation and maintenance, and failure analysis for all SPC systems and equipment.
- Investigates equipment malfunction and takes or recommends corrective action, depending on the nature of the problem and equipment involved.
- Examines scheme design for conformance with accepted practice in the specialized field.

Qualifications:

A. Degree: Engineering. To be acceptable, the program must: (1) lead to a bachelor's degree in a school of engineering with at least one program accredited by ABET; or (2) include differential and integral calculus and courses (more advanced than first-year physics and chemistry) in five of the following seven areas of engineering science or physics: (a) statics, dynamics; (b) strength of materials (stress-strain relationships); (c) fluid mechanics, hydraulics; (d) thermodynamics; (e) electrical fields and circuits; (f) nature and properties of materials (relating particle and aggregate structure to properties); and (g) any other comparable area of fundamental engineering science or physics, such as optics, heat transfer, soil mechanics, or electronics.

B. Combination of Education and Experience -- college-level education, training, and/or technical experience that furnished (1) a thorough knowledge of the physical and mathematical sciences underlying engineering, and (2) a good understanding, both theoretical and practical, of the engineering sciences and techniques and their applications to one of the branches of engineering. The adequacy of such background must be demonstrated by one of the following:

- 1. **Professional Registration or Licensure** -- Current registration as an Engineer Intern (EI), Engineer in Training (EIT), or licensure as a Professional Engineer (PE) by any State, the District of Columbia, Guam, or Puerto Rico. -OR-
- 2. Written Test -- Evidence of having successfully passed the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) examination or any other written test required for professional registration by an engineering licensure board in the various States, the District of Columbia, Guam, and Puerto Rico.-OR-
- 3. **Specified Academic Courses** -- Successful completion of at least 60 semester hours of courses in the physical, mathematical, and engineering sciences and that included the courses specified in the basic requirements under paragraph A. The courses must be fully acceptable toward meeting the requirements of an engineering program as described in paragraph A.-OR-
- 4. **Related Curriculum** -- Successful completion of a curriculum leading to a bachelor's degree in an appropriate scientific field, e.g., engineering technology, physics, chemistry, architecture, computer science, mathematics, hydrology, or geology, may be accepted in lieu of a bachelor's degree in engineering, provided the applicant has had at least 1 year of professional engineering experience acquired under professional engineering supervision and guidance. Ordinarily there should be either an established plan of intensive training to develop professional engineering competence, or several years of prior professional engineering-type experience, e.g., in interdisciplinary positions. (The above examples of related curricula are not all-inclusive.)

SPECIALIZED EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS: A qualified candidate's online application and resume must demonstrate at least one year of specialized experience equivalent to the next lower grade level GS-11 or GS-12 in the Federal service.

HOW TO APPLY: Supervisor approval is required prior to applying to this announcement. Applicants should submit their resume listing relevant experience, education; and brief description of the knowledge, skill and abilities possessed that will enable the successful performance the duties of this position, and current SF-50 (the SF-50 must show current grade, otherwise it will not be accepted) to BPAIA@BPA.GOV by 11:59pmET on closing date.

In the subject line of the email application please include announcement number "BPA-25-IA-005". Please indicate the specific location(s) in which you are interested.

SUPERVISOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

INTEREST ANNOUNCEMENT (BPA-25-IA-005)

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| position. I understand this assignment is a permanent reassignment | nent. |
| I am willing to consider approving the reassignment. | |
| Supervisor's Signature | Date: |
| Supervisor's Title: | Routing: |