



JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title:	Line Technician (Hourly)
Department:	Operations
Reports to:	Crew Leader
Supervises:	None

OBJECTIVE

Assists in the construction, maintenance and operation of overhead and underground distribution; keeps informed and complies with all safety policies, procedures, rules and regulations.

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Performs the necessary activities in the construction and maintenance of energized and de-energized overhead and URD distribution lines and related activities.
2. Inspects work after completed to ensure compliance with applicable specifications and codes.
3. Restores electric service during and after normal work hours both alone and with a crew on Nolin RECC service territory or at a neighboring Cooperative.
4. Reads and interprets maps, specifications, staking sheets and diagrams.
5. Installs outdoor lighting, makes connects and disconnects, trims trees, performs switching in both the substation and field, splices all sizes of wire distribution and feeder, retires service, replaces damaged and defective poles and equipment, conducts voltage checks and sets recording meters, locates and removes discontinued service meters,
6. Places work signs and barricades around work areas; patrols lines, checks for defective material, equipment or unsafe conditions, notifies supervisor of problem areas.
7. Conducts daily vehicle inventory such as: changes out and checks rubber gloves, sleeves and other protective equipment; verifies that trucks, tools, and equipment assigned are in good working order and maintains truck supplies.
8. Learns and practices first aid, CPR and artificial resuscitation, and pole top rescue.
9. Operates vehicles and equipment including trenchers, pole trailers, buckets, trucks, chain saws, etc.
10. Maintains familiarity with the OSHA "Right-to-Know" regulations as they pertain to chemical substances, etc., found or used in the work area.
11. Assists in training apprentices and/or other personnel.
12. Answers all consumer inquiries promptly and courteously and/or refers them to appropriate individual.
13. Works according to Nolin RECC safety and driving guidelines, reports all accidents immediately and is responsible for the safety of the assigned area.

This job description is not intended to be all-inclusive and can be expanded to include other duties or responsibilities that management deems necessary. Nolin RECC reserves the right to revise or change the job responsibilities as the need arises. This job description does not constitute a written or implied contract of employment.

JOB SPECIFICATIONS

EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE

- Must have completed thirty semester hours at an accredited college, completed lineman training program from accredited facility (Somerset Community College, Southeast Lineman Training Center), received a trade school classification in electricity or electronics or possess a current certification line training at another utility and certification to climb poles.

KNOWLEDGE

- Understands Nolin RECC safety and driving guidelines.
- Maintains a thorough understanding of: maintenance and construction of overhead and underground distribution and transmission lines, Nolin RECC construction manual, the NEC and NESC electrical codes.
- Maintains knowledge of the Cooperative mapping system.
- Practices proper/safe use of tools/equipment for safety purposes.
- Understands Nolin RECC safety and driving guidelines.
- Understands departmental relationships/functions and workflow between areas.

CONTACTS

- Maintains a courteous and cooperative relationship with employees and the public.
- *Internal:* daily positive interface with employees at all levels within the Cooperative, assists in training.
- *External:* contractors (new construction, upgrading service, relocating lines, changing transformers, restoring power etc.), members (explanation of service, locate electric problems), Cooperatives (emergency situations at their or our location), City and county utilities (electric, telephone, cable TV, gas and water lines), KAEC/Red Cross/community agencies (participates in safety, first aid, CPR demonstrations/classes).

ABILITIES AND SKILLS

- Understands, clarifies & effectively communicates Nolin RECC policies and procedures.
- Must be able to learn and apply technical information.
- Must be able to climb, lift, work in awkward positions, use and operate equipment including buckets, trenchers, winches, drills and chainsaws.
- Relates & empathizes with employees/consumers, maintains a professional demeanor.
- Reacts quickly in the event of emergency and hostile situations.
- Works in and promotes a positive team environment and independent thinking.

WORKING CONDITIONS

- Outside work in all types of weather, terrain and road conditions.
- Considerable driving and maneuvering from electric lines/poles to substations while bearing equipment; obstacles to overcome include fences, encounters with animals and the public.
- Must be available to work irregular hours including nights, weekends, holidays and rotating on-call schedules which requires overtime.

OTHER

- Must possess a valid driver's and CDL licenses (subject to periodic, reasonable cause, post-accident and random drug/alcohol testing).
- May be asked to attend training courses relating to the position and the Cooperative industry that may require overnight travel.
- First Aid and CPR certification required.

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS

- If hired March 2015 or later, must reside within the Cooperative service area, or no more than 30 miles from Nolin's headquarters office.

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