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Power Line Technician Pre-Apprenticeship

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At BC Hydro, we’re committed to powering British Columbia with clean, reliable electricity for generations. We’re dedicated to investing in the future of our employees, making BC Hydro one of BC's Top Employers and one of Canada's Best Diversity Employers. We are also committed to our environment and are recognized as one of Canada’s Greenest Employers.

The Power Line Technician (PLT) Pre-Apprentice Program is a temporary opportunity (12 months) for entry into the Power Line Technician Apprenticeship program which entails a combination of classroom and field training. This program allows you to develop line skills so that you are equipped to apply on the Power Line Technician (PLT) Apprenticeship, without being called upon to come into direct contact with high voltage equipment or conductors which are potentially live or energized. Upon successfully obtaining an apprenticeship position, your training in the power line trade will continue with 42 months of on-the-job and classroom (four to five weeks per year) training.

**JOB DESCRIPTION**

**Duties:**

As per IBEW Collective Agreement.

The successful Power Line Technician Pre-Apprentice will:

- Complete work assignments as a Level 1 Apprentice PLT and be able to perform work up to voltages of 120/240 Single Phase, following completion of ITA Level 1 Apprentice PLT Technical Training.
- Act as a driver/ground person, and as required, may operate a Line Truck (single or dual axle) during the construction, maintenance, and operations of the distribution system. This includes, but not limited to climbing, and assisting in the installation and removal of poles/anchors and transformers.
- Work with the tradesperson crew or Journeyperson PLT to whom they have been assigned and shall, when required, attend to handling, and transportation of equipment and materials. They shall also be qualified to drive and operate a motor car, truck, truck winch or other similar truck equipment.
- Learn basic climbing skills, safety procedures, tool/material use and bucket truck operation.
- Work outside in all weather conditions at heights of 30 - 400 ft.

**Qualifications:**

This Trade will interest those who enjoy working outdoors and performing hands on physical work.

The successful Power Line Technician Pre-Apprentice will:

- Have graduated from High school with the following courses: English 12, Math 11 (or equivalents) and Physics 11.
- Have a BC Class 5 driver's license with Air Brake Endorsement (Class 3 Manual Transmission preferred).
- Be physically capable of performing the work and have normal colour vision.
- Have strong interpersonal skills to deal with both internal and external customers.
- Have demonstrated mechanical aptitude through construction experience, mechanics or exposure to trades.
This position is affiliated with the international Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Union (IBEW local 258) www.ibew258.bc.ca

- To develop the necessary line skills so that you are equipped to apply on a PLT Apprenticeship, candidates must first participate in the PLT Pre-Apprentice program for 12 months.
- Selected candidates will be required to provide a copy of their transcripts demonstrating high school graduation including English 12, Math 11 and Physics 11 as well as a driver’s abstract and claims history. Before being eligible to bid on a Power Line Technician Apprenticeship role, you must first complete your Math 12 and Physics 12 or equivalents.
- Where equivalent status is claimed, acceptable documentation must be provided by the applicant that will show equivalency of courses taken. Either a letter from your place of education or your instructor indicating the course(s) and stating that the course(s) taken would be considered equivalent to or better than the requirement.
- A condition of employment for the Power Line Technician Pre-Apprentice role is that you maintain your Class 5 Driver’s License (with air brake endorsement). Before being eligible to bid on the Power Line Technician Apprenticeship role, you must obtain your Class 3 Driver’s License (with air brake endorsement).
- BC Hydro conducts pre-placement medical checks on applicants entering certain positions to help safeguard BC Hydro’s workplace. As part of the selection process, you may be required to demonstrate successful completion of a pre-placement medical check.
- As a Power Line Technician Pre-Apprentice, you may be asked to move anywhere in the province for the duration of your program. Upon assuming the role as an Apprentice Power Line Technician, you will be assigned to one or two headquarters anywhere in the province.
- The IBEW Wage Rate for a Pre-Apprentice PLT is $24.35.

At BC Hydro, our vision Powering B.C. with clean, reliable electricity for Generations is about working together to make a difference for the future of all British Columbians. To achieve this goal, we live by our six core values of Safety, Accountability, Teamwork, Integrity, Service and Ingenuity.

Safety – keep safety first in mind, heart and action
Accountability – take ownership, be decisive and move forward
Teamwork – One Hydro – make it happen together
Integrity – do the right thing
Service – proud of our service
Ingenuity – create resourceful solutions

If you share our values and are ready to join a great team, we’d love to hear from you!

BC Hydro is an equal opportunity employer.

HOW TO APPLY

Please ensure that you update your Candidate Profile and provide a comprehensive resume and cover letter in your application.

As part of your application, we will require you to submit the following documents:
- Proof of pre-requisite completion: Copies of transcripts indicating completion of Math 11, Physics 11 and English 12 (or equivalents).
- A copy of your driver’s abstract and claims history [2 documents]: Copies can be obtained from a motor vehicle branch or government agency depending on the province you reside in.

If you do not include this information, this could result in delays in assessing your application.
Click on the Apply button in order to complete the steps to apply for this job.

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