



NOTICE OF JOB OPENING

Water Quality Technician

1 Opening
(External & Internal)

Opening Date: 3/7/2024

Closing Date: 3/14/2024

Classification: Grade 7, Non-Exempt (\$25.98 hourly)

Summary of Job Duties and Responsibilities the WATER QUALITY TECHNICIAN collects distribution system samples and performs field water quality analyses, performs laboratory analyses; ensures adherence to quality assurance and quality control guidelines; analyzes, prepares, and presents technical information; adheres to safe laboratory and workplace practices; performs other essential duties as required.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Knowledge of proper sampling techniques and handling protocol, including chain of custody.
- Knowledge of the CAW service area.
- Knowledge of drinking water quality principles, practices and improvement strategies and related public health regulations and practices.
- Knowledge of basic vehicle operation and upkeep (checking oil and fluids, etc.)
- Knowledge of laboratory equipment and care, testing and analysis procedures related to water quality and treatment.
- Knowledge of field and laboratory safety practices.
- Knowledge of chemistry and microbiology.
- Knowledge of and use of basic business computer applications, including Microsoft Office Suite software (Outlook, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Internet Browser) and Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS).
- Ability to follow safe driving practices.
- Ability to read and interpret water quality data, graphs, charts, meters, gauges, maps, etc.
- Ability to read maps.
- Ability to make decisions and complete tasks in an effective collaborative manner.
- Ability to learn, perform, and review water quality analyses.
- Ability to remain in control, professional, and empathetic while interacting with the public.
- Ability to take initiative, resolve problems, and ensure tasks are completed effectively.
- Ability to work independently with minimal supervision.
- Ability to work in a collaborative team environment.
- Ability to work outside in all types of weather.
- Ability to compile, organize, prepare, and maintain accurate records.
- Ability to traverse wet and/or rugged terrain in diverse, sometimes inclement, weather conditions.
- Ability to safely lift, move, and carry 50 pounds.
- Ability to work with hazardous chemicals.
- Ability to operate menu driven computers, including word processing and spreadsheets.
- Ability to receive, understand, and perform assignments and follow Standard Operating Procedures with minimal supervision.
- Skilled in performing laboratory and field test procedures and operating instruments and devices.

Minimum Qualifications

- Must have a high school diploma or GED.
- College coursework in biology, botany, ecology, environmental science, chemistry, or limnology.
- At least (1) year of experience with environmental sampling including performing field and/or laboratory analyses on water.

Preferred Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in environmental or natural science, natural resources management, or related field.

Special Qualifications

- Must pass a criminal background check.
- Must have a valid Arkansas Driver's License
- Must have and maintain a good driving record.
- Must pass a pre-employment drug screening and subject to random screening pool requirements during employment.
- Must pass a fitness exam.
- Must obtain the Arkansas Water Distribution Grade 3 License within 18 months. *
- Must be a high-performing, innovative, value-driven, informed, and passionate individual.

*Waiver may be approved to obtain license within 24 months of hire.

Work Conditions

Works in a heated and cooled office environment in a plant environment that in areas is damp, humid and with some noise. Works outside in all types of weather. May occasionally encounter insects, snakes, poison ivy, and unleashed animals. Works with hazardous chemicals.

The above describes the general content and requirements for this job. It is not intended to be an all-inclusive list of duties, responsibilities, or requirements.

This is a safety sensitive position due to utility driving requirements or job responsibilities which include safety-sensitive tasks that require performing duties fraught with risk of injury to self or others where even a momentary lapse of attention may have grave and disastrous consequences.

All forms, including resume, must be completed, and emailed to Careers@carkw.com to be considered for the position.

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our workplace.



APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT CENTRAL ARKANSAS WATER

An incomplete or illegible application may jeopardize your opportunity for employment. Because eligibility to compete for positions is based on a review of your application and since only information provided will be evaluated, be certain that you complete all items as fully and accurately as possible.

NAME _____ DATE _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

STREET ADDRESS _____ HOME PHONE _____

CITY STATE ZIP

BUSINESS PHONE _____

CELL PHONE _____

ARE YOU A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES OR ARE YOU LAWFULLY ELIGIBLE TO BECOME EMPLOYED IN THE U.S.?

YES NO (Proof of U.S. citizenship or immigration status will be required if employed)

POSITION YOU ARE APPLYING FOR _____

TYPE OF EMPLOYMENT DESIRED: FULL-TIME TEMPORARY SUMMER PART TIME

DATE AVAILABLE _____ SALARY REQUIREMENTS \$ _____

WHERE DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THIS OPENING? NEWSPAPER JOB LINE EMPLOYEE REFERRAL OTHER _____

*****LIST PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT, BEGINNING WITH THE LAST*****

FROM DATE (Mo/ Yr)	TO DATE (Mo/ Yr)	NAME AND LOCATION OF EMPLOYER	SUPERVISOR	YOUR JOB	REASON FOR LEAVING	FULL OR PART TIME

TYPE SCHOOL	NAME & ADDRESS	GRADUATED?	PRIMARY COURSES OF STUDY	
HIGH SCHOOL	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	
BUSINESS OR TRADE SCHOOL				
COLLEGE			Major:	Degree:
			Minor:	
GRADUATE SCHOOL			Degree:	
CORRESPONDENCE COURSES OR SPECIAL TRAINING				

Excluding those which would reveal sex, race, religion, national origin, age, ancestry, disability or other protected status, list any professional, trade, business or civic organizations with which you are associated:

List professional, business or trade licenses held, awards or special recognitions received:

LIST THREE WORK-RELATED REFERENCES:

NAME	OCCUPATION	EMPLOYER	PHONE #	ASSOCIATION (Peer vs. supervisor)

Have you previously been interviewed for a position with Central Arkansas Water? If yes, provide positions and dates:

Have you ever been employed by Central Arkansas Water? If yes, provide position, dates, and reason for leaving:

* Do you understand the physical and mental requirements of the job for which you are applying? Yes No

* Are you able to fully and completely perform all functions, duties and responsibilities of the particular job for which you are applying with or without an accommodation?

Yes No If no, please provide an explanation: _____

* **The Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 prohibits discrimination against a qualified individual with a disability.**

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Central Arkansas Water embraces a diverse and inclusive environment. As an Equal Opportunity Employer, all applicants who meet the stated qualifications will be considered for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, national origin, genetics, disability, age or veteran status. CAW is also committed to compliance with all fair employment practices.  
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• I, _____, understand and voluntarily agree that Central Arkansas Water (or an investigative bureau of your choice) may check any references or other information provided on this application form by me. Further, I hereby give consent to any and all current and prior employers of mine, or educational institutions I have attended, to provide information to Central Arkansas Water with regard to my employment with current or prior employers or my educational background. I understand and accept that your employment decision may be based upon information furnished by me or obtained through the verification process. I hereby release from liability the employer and its representatives for seeking such information and all other persons, corporations or organizations for furnishing such information. I authorize you to make copies of documents related to my employment, which shall have the same effect as the originals.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

- I understand and agree that if I am offered and accept a position with the Central Arkansas Water, that the position is not for a specific period of time, and I agree that I will be an employee at will and this arrangement can be terminated at any time by myself or Central Arkansas Water, with or without notice.
- If employed by Central Arkansas Water, I agree to abide by its rules and regulations.
- I understand and agree to examinations and testing, including a pre-employment physical, criminal background check, and drug screening, considered necessary by Central Arkansas Water at any time, at the option of the Utility and at no personal expense to me. I authorize the examining physician or organization to disclose to Central Arkansas Water or its representatives the results of such examinations, tests, or background information. I understand Central Arkansas Water will limit such information only to those individuals who have a need to be informed of such.
- I understand that, unless I am notified by Central Arkansas Water otherwise, this application will be considered only for the position I designated on this application form. I understand that in order to be considered for other available positions with Central Arkansas Water, I will need to complete a separate application for each position.

I hereby affirm that my answers to the foregoing questions are true and correct, and I understand that misrepresentation or omission of facts called for in this application may be cause for disqualification for consideration of the position, or if employed by Central Arkansas Water, immediate dismissal without notice.

Signature of Applicant

Date



EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

221 East Capitol Avenue * PHONE (501) 377-1251 * LITTLE ROCK, AR 72202

EMPLOYMENT REFERENCE CONSENT AND RELEASE

APPLICANT NAME: _____

I, _____, HEREBY GIVE CONSENT TO ANY AND ALL PRIOR EMPLOYERS OF MINE, OR MY CURRENT EMPLOYER, TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION BELOW WITH REGARD TO MY EMPLOYMENT WITH THE PRIOR OR CURRENT EMPLOYERS TO CENTRAL ARKANSAS WATER.

This consent is valid for a period of six (6) months from the date indicated below. A copy of this form shall serve as an original.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

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Instructions to Current/Former Employer

The individual named above has applied for employment with Central Arkansas Water. Please respond candidly to the requests for information listed below and return your written responses via either facsimile or U.S. Mail. This Consent and Release is intended to comply with Arkansas Act 1474 of 1999, an Act to provide current and former business employers with protection for providing job information about current or former employees to prospective employers.

PLEASE RETURN THE INFORMATION TO:

**Human Resources Director
Central Arkansas Water
P. O. Box 1789
Little Rock, AR 72203 Fax- 501- 377-7051**

Date and duration of employment: _____

Current or last rate of pay and wage history: _____

Current or last job description and duties: _____

The details of the applicant's last written performance evaluation prepared prior to the date the applicant signed this consent (See date above): _____

Attendance history: (Excluding any qualifying leave under FMLA) _____

Results of drug and/or alcohol tests administered within the last year: _____

Details of any threats of violence, harassing acts, or threatening behavior related in any way to the workplace or directed at another employee: _____

Was his/her separation from employment voluntary involuntary?

What was the reason for the applicant's separation from employment?

Is the applicant eligible for rehire? Yes No Is this a blanket company policy? Yes No

Printed Name and Title of Employer Representative Providing Information

Date

Signature

Phone Number

YOU MUST HAVE A “GOOD” DRIVING RECORD FOR THIS JOB

A “**good**” driving record is based on the last three (3) years of driving.

Types of items which may cause not having a “**good**” driving record.

(Remember this is over the last **three (3)** years)

1. Three (3) or more accidents where you were ticketed.
2. **DWI** (driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
3. Excessive speeding tickets (20 mph over the limit) along with any other tickets or violations.
4. Hit and Run - leaving scene of accident.
5. Ticketed for Reckless, Negligent, or Careless driving along with any other tickets or violations.

We **can not** hire people who **do not** have a “**good**” driving record when the job requires a “**good**” driving record.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS INFORMATION (Full Time Employees Only)



Compensation

- Competitive Compensation
- Generous Paid-Time off, Paid Holidays, Discretionary Time, Overtime for non-exempt staff
- Pension Plan (APERS)
- Deferred Compensation Plan
- Saving Plan
- Utility-Paid Life Insurance
- Short-Term Disability and Additional Life Insurance Coverage options
- Utility-Paid Long-Term Disability
- Accident, Critical Illness, Hospital Stay Pay and Identity Theft coverage options
- Credit union membership
- Uniforms provided (as required by position)
- Annual Work Boot Allowance (as required by position)
- Public Student Loan Forgiveness Eligible Employer
- Generous Retiree Benefits
- Performance Evaluation six months after hire and after twelve months. Each evaluation has the opportunity for a merit increase. Annual evaluations thereafter with the opportunity for merit increase.
- Annual Pay Plan increase (as approved by CAW's Board of Commissioners)



Health & Wellbeing

- Utility-subsidized individual and family health care coverage options with Rx Plan
 - PPO – 96% employee premium paid by Utility
 - HDHP- 100% employee premium paid by Utility
- HAS – Utility funded based on HDHP coverage option
- FSA
 - Medical
 - Dependent Care
- Dental – 100% employee premium paid
- Vision
- EAP – Utility-paid
- Remote Work (position eligibility applies)
- Paid Family Bereavement Leave, Emergency Leave, Military Leave, COVID vaccine time, Blood donation, Jury Duty
- Utility Paid Rehabilitation for Drug or Alcohol Abuse
- Special Interest Employee Committees
- Various Employee Recognition Programs
- Compressed Work Schedule (available for most positions)
- HIVIP (High-Performing, Innovative, Values-Driven, Informs and Passionate) culture
- Safety Program



Professional Development

- 100% Tuition Reimbursement
- Utility support for industry licenses
- Utility-paid professional memberships
- In-house training and development program CAWU
- Employee Perks and Discounts (automotive, banking, cellular, dining, education, fitness, home improvement, office supply and misc.)
- Financial Planning
- Internal Promotion Opportunities
- Employee-led, Executive sponsored, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Team and Initiatives



Community

CAW takes our commitment to be involved seriously. Our team members can always be found in a neighborhood, at a community event, fundraiser or educational initiative promoting quality of life, exceptional service and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education.