

Come for the adventure...stay for the challenge and let us WOW you with our benefits

Join a member-driven generation and distribution utility serving residents in 58 locations throughout rural Alaska with its headquarters in Anchorage, AK. The communities that Alaska Village Electric Cooperative serves receive power via small, isolated grids that utilize diesel generation and renewable sources. AVEC serves the rural Alaska communities with 11,513 meters, 515 miles of distribution line.

Benefits and Pay

- Hourly rate based on experience
 - 1,000 Hour/Seasonal Hire (with possibility of full time) – Wage Range \$21.02-\$30.02
 - Wind Turbine Technician 1 – Wage Range \$27.24-\$39.29
 - Wind Turbine Technician 2 – Wage Range \$33.02-\$48.08
- The cooperative offers an excellent benefit package to include:
 - An employer-paid pension plan
 - 401k with an employer match
 - Generous leave
 - Two different health insurance plans, vision, dental, and life insurance

Position: Wind Turbine Technician

Department: Operations

Location: Anchorage, AK

Travel: 75%+

The Wind Turbine Technician will be part of the Operations team at AVEC. Since direct Management is in Anchorage, this is a position that allows you freedom in setting your hours and pace while out in the field (as long as the work is being completed). What sets apart AVEC is the experiences it has to offer. While traveling with AVEC, you will get to enjoy world class fishing and hunting during the hours that you aren't working and see parts of Alaska that most Alaskans don't even get to see.

As a Wind Turbine Technician you will:

- Maintain AVEC's fleet of mainly Northern Power System Northwind 100 A and B model and EWT models wind turbines in remote rural Alaskan villages. Maintenance of future models or replacements will be expected as equipment needs or infrastructure changes.
- Perform preventative maintenance, troubleshooting, repairs and modifications to all wind turbines within the AVEC system as required.
- Ensure functionality of controls and communications between applicable wind systems and generation equipment.
- Assist with integration between wind systems and diesel power plant modules.
- Provide training to AVEC's field staff, plant operators and local hires on applicable servicing and maintenance of wind systems.
- Communicate with Cooperative staff to trouble shoot and devise solutions for service, equipment, or communication problems as able with wind systems.
- Prepare necessary reports on assigned projects and other general reports as necessary.
- Work in a safe manner and ensures the property of others or other Cooperative equipment is not damaged.

- Comply with all aspects of the OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Standards) applicable with job requirements and training.
- Intermittent requirement to supervise/train others as directed.

To be successful, you will need:

- To be at least 18 years of age.
- High school diploma or equivalent and 10 years of directly related experience.
 - OR AA/Two-year college technical program with 5 years of directly related experience.
 - OR bachelor's degree in related field with at least 2 years of directly related experience.
- Minimum of two years utility experience.
- Advanced Service Technician for each wind model owned/in operation within AVEC system. This training can be provided by AVEC if necessary.
- To travel to remote Alaska, as required.

The Ideal Candidate Must:

- Be reliable, dependable and capable of working with minimum supervision.
- Be knowledgeable about safety rules and requirements for the trade.
- Possess and exhibit the ability and desire to provide prompt, courteous and reliable services to the Cooperative's internal and external customers.
- Have the ability to work with multicultural and multilingual consumers and individuals requiring patience and a calm demeanor.
- Be self-motivated with the ability to prioritize multiple conflicting priorities and projects.
- Possess excellent communication skills, ability to communicate clearly and accurately orally and in writing.
- Show concern for the safety, quality, accuracy and completeness of own work and coworkers.
- Be resourceful in using available and makeshift equipment and in facing rough terrain and adverse weather conditions.
- Maintain the ability to multitask and manage multiple projects simultaneously. Adapts to change quickly and easily.
- Demonstrate strong interpersonal skills with the ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with staff, management, cooperative members and external agencies.
- Work to build a sense of common purpose across all work groups, fosters team building and a positive work ethic.
- Create opportunities or minimize potential problems by anticipating and preparing for these in advance.

Work Environment

- Travel, work and reside in remote locations requiring travel by boat, small plane, ATV and by foot.
- May be exposed to adverse weather conditions, cold and icy conditions.
- Intermittent subsistence lifestyle which requires packing, shipping and preparation of one's own meals.
- Use of personal protective equipment required.

Physical Effort

- Requirement to climb scaffolds, ladders and tanks (in heights of 100 to 300 feet), working in confined spaces while using utmost care to prevent injury.
- Heavy lifting up to 70lbs.
- Reaching, extending hand(s) and arm(s) in any direction.
- Frequent use of hands and fingers and/or handling tools.

Other Information

Please complete an application found at avec.org under the jobs icon and return to applications@avec.org. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Once applications are reviewed, you will be contacted if an interview is desired.

Contact Alaska Village Electric Cooperative for more information or a full job description.

Standard pre-employment drug and alcohol screening and background check are required.

The intent of this Description is to provide a representative summary of the major responsibilities performed and results expected by persons assigned to this job. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, skills, efforts or working conditions associated with a job.

AVEC is an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, or protected veteran status and will not be discriminated against based on disability.