HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: Operates heavy duty construction and maintenance equipment, such as bulldozers, excavator, truck crane, power roller, front-end loader, power grader, black-top paver and hydraulic lift; drives trucks; performs manual labor and other duties as required. Operates under direct supervision of foreman, supervisor or superintendent who assigns and oversees work. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:
1. Operates front-end loader in the loading of trucks;
2. Operates bulldozer in ground preparation for and in construction/maintenance;
3. Operates excavators in digging footings, trenches and in road widening;
4. Operates power grader in construction work;
5. Operates black-top paver in road maintenance and construction;
6. Operates pneumatic, static, and vibratory rollers in road construction;
7. Operates truck crane in road and bridge construction;
8. Operates hydraulic forklift in handling materials;
9. Drives trucks to and from construction sites, loaded with construction materials or ice or snow;
10. Drives trucks to sand or salt roads;
11. Drives snow plow and snow loading machine under snow control program;
12. Performs related and incidental manual labor as required. May be assigned to assist water department in this field;
13. May be assigned to maintenance and/or general upkeep of equipment;
14. Operates tractor trailer in moving of heavy equipment to and from construction sites.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:
Thorough knowledge of mechanical, hydraulic systems, and their maintenance; good knowledge of rigging with chain and cable used in both equipment transport and handling of construction materials; good knowledge of the operation of heavy equipment; working knowledge of load placement, proper hauling procedures and applicable laws; ability to understand and follow simple verbal and written instructions; ability to work well with others; mechanical aptitude; dependability; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Graduation from high school or possession of an equivalency diploma and one (1) year of experience in the operation of heavy construction equipment.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:
Must have a Class A 1991. Possession of an alternate applicable license is acceptable when application is accompanied by an administrative letter stating that the candidate will not operate a motor vehicle contrary to the Vehicle and Traffic Law of New York State.

Qualified candidates should send an application, letter of interest, and resume post-marked by July 25, 2014 to:
Niagara County Public Works
Highway Division
225 South Niagara Street
Lockport, NY 14094

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