# Personnel and Civil Service

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#### NOTICE OF VACANCY

# Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator / Trainee – Town of Owego

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<u>Distinguishing Features of the Class for Water Treatment Plant Operator</u>: This is routine but important work involving responsibility, during a shift, for the efficient operation and maintenance of a water treatment plant with facilities for the application of chemicals to the water, such as chlorine or chlorine compounds, chlorine-dioxide, chlorine-ammonia, fluoride compounds, or the process of de-chlorination or similar process. The work is performed under general supervision of an operator qualified to be in charge of the complete and actual operation of the water treatment plant. Supervision may be exercised over subordinate employees in the performance of their assigned duties. Does related work as required.

<u>Irainee</u>: The incumbent learns the duties and routines of the operation and maintenance of a water treatment plant. The work is performed under immediate supervision of a qualified operator. Employees are required to complete the training and experience requirements of the New York State Sanitary Code for a certificate appropriate to the plant and will be advanced to the operator level without further examination upon satisfactory completion of the certificate requirements.

<u>Distinguishing Features of the Class for Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator</u>: This is routine but important work involving responsibility, during a shift, for the efficient operation and maintenance of a wastewater treatment plant with facilities for chemical precipitation, sludge digestion, sludge de-watering, ultimate sludge disposal, activated sludge, stabilization or oxidation process or any other biological oxidation process. The work is performed under the general supervision of a certified operator, qualified to be in charge of the complete and actual operation of the plant. Supervision may be exercised over motor equipment operators or other treatment plant employees. Does related work as required.

**Trainee:** The incumbent learns the duties and routines of the operation and maintenance of a wastewater treatment plant. The term of appointment is dependent upon the complexity of the treatment plant operations as regulated by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) in Part 650 of the New York Code of Rule and Regulations. Upon satisfactory completion of the training and experience requirements as defined by the DEC, and receipt of the appropriate Operator Certification, the trainee receives permanent appointment as a Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator without additional examination. Work is performed under the immediate supervision of an appropriately certified operator. May exercise supervision over motor equipment operators or other subordinate employees. Does related work as required.

The title of Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator / Trainee is **Competitive**, requiring applicants to meet minimum qualifications established for the position and successfully meet civil service examination requirements. **Examinations are held on a monthly basis (please refer to exam announcement for dates).** 

**Status:** Permanent

**Work Hours:** Full-Time, days (40 hours/week); Overtime as needed. **Salary:** Salary based on experience. Benefit package available.

#### Minimum Qualifications for Water Treatment Plant Operator / Trainee

<u>Irainee:</u> Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma.

<u>Operator:</u> Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma **AND**eligibility for an appropriate Plant Operator's certificate issued under the provision of New York State Sanitary
Code, Section 5-4.3. Possession of the certificate is required at time of appointment. Qualifications for
certification vary according to the Grade of Water Treatment Plant.

Local Water Treatment Plant Grading as of 10/98: Town of Owego - 2B

## Minimum Qualifications for Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator / Trainee

**Irainee:** Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma.

<u>Operator</u>: Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma **AND** eligibility for an appropriate Plant Operator's certificate issued under the provisions of Section 650 of the New York State Code of Rules and Regulations. Possession of the certificate is required at time of appointment. Qualifications for certification vary according to the Grade of Wastewater Treatment Plant, as determined by the New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation (DEC).

Local Wastewater Treatment Plant Grading (2016): Town of Owego - 3A & 4A

#### Apply to:

Town of Owego 2354 State Route 434 Apalachin, NY 13732 Office: 607-687-0123

Fax: 607-687-6381

## Apply by: APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL POSITION HAS BEEN FILLED.

Tioga County applications are available on our website. Resumes may be submitted but MUST accompany an application. Applicants MUST clearly describe education and/or work and volunteer experience to explain how they meet the minimum qualifications for the position. Omissions or vagueness will not be interpreted in an applicant's favor.