



IOWA ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES NEWSLETTER

"To support and strengthen Iowa's municipal utilities"

IAMU, APGA TEAM UP FOR GAS MARKET TRANSPARENCY



On January 23, 2008, the American Public Gas Association (APGA) and IAMU sent a letter to Senator Tom Harkin (D-IA), urging the Senator to

help protect consumers from market abuses and ensure that the final Farm Bill includes strong natural gas market transparency language. The letter goes on to state that APGA and IAMU believe that confidence in the fairness of the natural gas market is possible if transparency is restored.

Transparency will also help the CFTC detect and deter potential manipulative activity involving positions amassed in the OTC [over-the-counter] natural gas markets, which are closely linked to and effect the price of natural gas on the regulated markets.

Since late 2005, APGA has pushed Congress to pass legislation that would increase natural gas market transparency. Those efforts culminated in the December 2007 passage of the Farm Bill in the Senate. APGA

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\$2 MILLION IAMU SAFETY GROUP INSURANCE PAYOUT

The Safety Group Insurance Program trustees have approved a \$2 million distribution of dividends. The checks were sent to local agents, who will assist participants in allocating the payment between the utility and other city functions. This is the second highest distribution in the 27 year history of the program, which provides coverage for property, casualty, liability, and workers compensation losses. The Group is insured by Des Moines-based Employers Mutual Companies (EMC). When the 450 participating utilities/cities are able to keep losses below expected levels, the Group earns a dividend. This year's dividend from EMC was nearly 14% of total premiums paid. Over the history of the program, the Group has earned nearly \$29 million in dividends.

The IAMU Safety Group is another example of how joint action helps municipal utilities. To illustrate the significance of the dividend without listing how much each participant received, it is interesting to look at the total distribution to several municipal electric joint

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IAMU Annual Conference
February 20 - 22, 2008



West Des Moines,
Iowa

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SIMECA DONATES EXTRA \$5,000 FOR SAFE CITY

SAFE CITY



SIMECA (South Iowa Municipal Electric Cooperative Association), which had already

donated \$5,000 to IAMU's Safe City project, has donated an additional \$5,000, to bring its total donation amount to \$10,000.

Safe City, which is now taking shape on IAMU Safety & Training Field, features six structures which will house various forms of utility infrastructure to be used to create real-life training scenarios for utility employees.

IAMU thanks SIMECA for its generous support of Safe City. For more information on how your utility or organization can contribute to Safe City, contact Dave Hraha, IAMU Program Director, at 800/810-4268 or dhraha@iamu.org.

IMPORTANT SAFETY TOPICS IN UPCOMING WORKSHOP

Multiple safety-related topics will be available at the Job Training Workshop March 25 – 26 at IAMU's Training and Office Complex in Ankeny.

Trenching & Shoring/Competent Person, Backhoe Safety, Work Zone Safety and Confined Space Training are all on the agenda. Participants may select one single day, or the full two-day workshop. A Competent Person certificate will be issued at the end of the day that includes Competent Person training.

A detailed workshop brochure and registration form has been distributed, and may also be accessed on the IAMU website, www.iamu.org (see "Upcoming Events"). Electronic registration is also available on the IAMU website (see "Calendar/Registrations"). For more information, contact IAMU at 800/810-4268.

IAMU PART OF NEW WATER APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM



The next time you're sitting at a large water conference, whether it be one sponsored by IAMU, Iowa Rural Water Association or American Water Works Association, take a quick look around the room. How many participants do you see who are under the age of 30...or even 35? Then, look around the room again. How many do you think will be of retirement age in the next 5-10 years? The later group is bound to be much larger.

This aging workforce isn't unique to the water/wastewater field; but while everyone seems to be talking about it, no one is offering any solutions except to hire the new person before the current one retires! This issue affects all communities, from the largest to the smallest; it just affects the smaller communities a little differently. Many times in small communities there is a "one- or two-man show", where the person running the water and/or wastewater treatment plant also picks up the garbage, mows the grass in the parks, pushes snow and occasionally is the city dog catcher. These communities need a way to hire, train, educate and retain quality employees. We have a possible solution to this problem.

IAMU has partnered with the Department of Labor (DOL), Kirkwood Community College (KCC), and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) to develop apprentice programs for water treatment plant operators and wastewater treatment plant operators. These apprenticeship programs are a combination of On the Job Learning (OJL) and education consisting of online courses. Minimum length of the program is two years. During that two-year period the apprentice will be obtaining hands-on experience working in the utility, while also completing the education requirements of the program. Completion of the program will also be contingent on passing both the Grade I and Grade II state exams.

This program has been designed to give participants the skills and education necessary to obtain not only their Grade I and II licenses, but also to give the community a trained and highly educated employee that is responsible for public and environmental health.

For more information, or a breakdown of associated fees, contact Jill Soenen, IAMU Water Services Coordinator at 800/810-4268 or jsoenen@iamu.org.



LIHEAP

ADDITIONAL \$9.3 MILLION IN LIHEAP FUNDING RELEASED

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) in the state of Iowa recently received a large boost in funding available for state residents needing help. Senator Tom Harkin, Chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee that oversees heating assistance, announced that he had secured an additional \$9.3 million in funds. The money was part of \$450 million in contingency funding the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) released.

Iowa had already received \$36 million in LIHEAP funds this year, but heating costs in the state this season are running ten to 20 percent higher than last, and increased participation in the program among Iowans was forecast. Before the additional funding was announced, the state was forced to cut the program's regular grant by seven percent. Last year nearly 90,000 Iowa residents received LIHEAP assistance.

"No family should have to choose between paying their heating bill and putting food on the

table," said Harkin, upon announcing the additional funds.

Jerry McKim, Director of the LIHEAP program in Iowa, said the release of additional funding was "sorely needed." He said this year's original one-time statewide benefit average of \$300 per household was a 35 percent cut over the last two years. While it is estimated that nationally only about 16 percent of eligible households apply for LIHEAP funding, McKim estimates that in Iowa the figure may be closer to 45 percent.

Iowa residents are allowed to apply for LIHEAP assistance through April 15. Utility customers who inquire about LIHEAP assistance should be referred to your local community action agency, or to the Iowa Division of Community Action Agencies, Lucas State Office Building, 321 E. 12th St., 2nd Floor, Des Moines, IA 50319. Information, including an interactive map to look up local community action agencies, is available on the DCAA website at www.dcaa.iowa.gov.

USDA GRANTS, LOANS FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY PLANS

Grants and guaranteed loans are available from USDA Rural Development to help rural businesses produce renewable energy or make energy-saving improvements to their facilities or farms. Applications can be submitted at any time.

"This program can make a big difference to rural small businesses or producers looking to finance a renewable energy system or make energy saving improvements to their facility or equipment," said Mark Reisinger, USDA Rural Development State Director in Iowa. "I encourage interested business owners and producers to contact Rural Development to learn more."

During the past five years, nearly 230 projects in Iowa have received \$37 million in grants and guaranteed loan to help install renewable systems such as wind turbines, solar, geothermal, biodiesel, ethanol, anaerobic digesters or hydrogen, and make a wide variety of energy efficiency improvements to facilities.

Some of the improvements have included new insulation, installing automatic lights, and replacing motors, refrigeration, ventilation and electrical and HVAC systems. A popular use of the program has been to assist in the purchase of new, more efficient grain-drying systems.

Restaurants, grocery stores, bakeries, greenhouses, cold storage businesses, ethanol plants, manufacturing facilities, as well as any other business that requires a large amount of energy to operate, may benefit from an energy-efficient upgrade that these funds could help finance.

Costs incurred before submitting an application for both grants and loan guarantees are not eligible. In addition, funds are not available for residential use.

Grants can cover up to 25 percent of the project costs. The minimum grant application is \$1,500 for energy efficiency improvement projects and \$2,500 for renewable energy projects. The maximum energy efficiency grant is \$250,000; \$500,000 for renewable energy. Guaranteed loans can be issued for up to 50 percent of the project costs. Minimum project costs to qualify for a guaranteed loan are \$10,000 for both energy efficiency and renewable projects. The maximum guaranteed loan is \$10 million. A combination grant and guaranteed loan can be requested for up to 50 percent of eligible project costs.

For more information contact the USDA Rural Development office in Des Moines at 515-284-4663 online at www.rurdev.usda.gov/ia



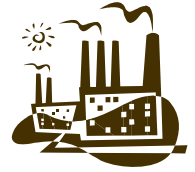


DIESEL GENERATION WORKSHOP COMING; SIGN UP NOW

The next edition of the popular IAMU Diesel Generation Workshop is scheduled for February 26 – 28, 2008, with the workshop again based in Waterloo at the Ramada Five Sullivan Brothers Convention Center. Hands-on sessions at selected municipal utility facilities will also be part of the agenda.

Industry experts will share their knowledge and expertise to assist your utility's generation staff in the day-to-day operation of your facility. Some of the classroom topics to be presented include: lubrication, cooling systems, emissions, electrical concepts, shutdown systems, prevention of catastrophic engine failures, arc flash safety measures, biofuels and updates on the most recent EPA and DNR requirements. Representatives of the following companies will be on hand: B.C. & T. Bunn; Caterpillar; Fairbanks Morse; Wheeler; Northland Oil; STAR Energy; IWMC; Exline; ESCO Energy Services Company; and DeWild Grant Reckert & Associates.

The hands-on "field" sessions will include Fairbanks Morse, Caterpillar, Enterprise, Worthington and Cooper generators. A new addition to the agenda this year is a chartered trip to Princeton, Illinois to view the latest technology in automation and pneumatic controls installed in an existing generation facility.



Registration is \$265 per person for IAMU members and \$315 per person for non-members. A workshop brochure and registration form has been distributed; or, register online with the IAMU website, www.iamu.org (click on "Calendar/Registrations"). Registration deadline is February 20.

For more information contact IAMU at 800/810-4268.



GAS PIPELINE WELDER WORKSHOPS SET FOR MARCH

March means it will once again be time for IAMU's Gas Pipeline Welder Qualification workshops. Again this year, there will be two workshop locations: Iowa Lakes Community College in Emmetsburg and Des Moines Area Community College in Ankeny. Both workshops will be held March 17 – 20.

Designed for beginning and advanced welders, the workshops include the opportunity to perform one or more of the pipeline welding procedures included in the IAMU procedures manual. Pipeline welders are reminded that annual recertification is required by the Office of Pipeline Safety. Numerous procedures will be available for testing, with the chance to perform as many procedures as time allows for one price.

Fees for the Emmetsburg workshop are \$795 per person for IAMU members and \$845 per person for non-members. The Ankeny workshop fees are \$665 per person for IAMU members and \$715 per person for non-members. IAMU Risk Management Coupons are accepted as payment.

Detailed brochures and registration forms for each workshop have been distributed; or, register electronically on the IAMU website, www.iamu.org (click on "Calendar/Registrations"). The workshop brochures may also be accessed on the IAMU website (see "Upcoming Events"). For more information contact IAMU at 800/810-4268.



Register online for IAMU workshops! (No writing...no ripping...no faxing...no mailing)

1. Go to www.iamu.org
2. Click on "Calendar/Registrations"
3. Click on the workshop for more information



Come shine with us!



West Des Moines, Iowa

IAMU Annual Conference ★ February 20 – 22, 2008



Special Guest Speaker:

★ **Terry Huval**
Board Chair, American Public Power Assn./
Director, Lafayette (La.) Utilities System
February 21

"Jambalaya:" Utility Views with a Cajun Twist
★ Hurricane Katrina recovery & lessons learned
★ Rail transport issues facing the utility industry
★ Lafayette's broadband initiative & its challenges



Plus, a bit of authentic Cajun singing and fiddling at the Associate Member Reception February 20!



Special Guest Speaker:

★ **Gary Higbee**
Higbee & Associates
February 22

Internationally known speaker, consultant, author and safety specialist, Mr. Higbee will present a discussion of leadership and motivation in utility management.

Other Annual Conference speakers and topics:

"Going Green" Panel, Feb. 20

- ★ **Roya Stanley**, Director, Iowa Office of Energy Independence
- ★ **Jessica Montana**, Water Quality Advocate, Iowa Dept. of Econ. Dev.
- ★ **Susan Gwasda**, City of Ames

Water/Wastewater Infrastructure Panel, Feb. 21

- ★ Government and business professionals will discuss this municipal utility "hot topic."

Gas Regulatory Issues, Feb. 21

- ★ **Bert Kalisch**, President and CEO of the American Public Gas Association, and a popular speaker at IAMU events, will return to the Annual Conference with an updated look at municipal gas.

Additional Planned Conference Topics

- ★ "Green" legislative issues
- ★ Africa trip by IAMU water members
- ★ Emerging contaminants in U.S. water
- ★ Rates (electric and gas)
- ★ Watershed protection
- ★ Transmission national policy
- ★ Biofuels effect on water
- ★ EE/Demand Side issues
- ★ Health insurance and benefits



★ Issues Fair, Feb. 22

The always popular Issues Fair will return to the Annual Conference with informal small group topics.



Wine and ★
Cheese Reception
featuring Iowa wine and cheese

February 21
prior to the conference banquet

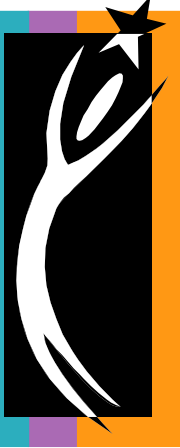


See the detailed conference ★
agenda on the IAMU website,
www.iamu.org. Register with the
form on the next page, or on the
IAMU website.

Water/WW CEUs available – see detailed agenda



Reserve your room today!
Call the Sheraton
West Des Moines at
515-223-1800
(deadline Jan. 30, 2008)



Shining Stars in the Utility Universe


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Sheraton West Des Moines
1800 - 50th St.
West Des Moines
515-223-1800

Municipal Utility Registration



 See a detailed conference agenda and electronic registration form on the IAMU website, www.iamu.org

IAMU associate member businesses please note: This form is for municipal utility registration only. For associate member registration, please use the separate form on the IAMU website, www.iamu.org (or sent to you by request).

Please note: Each attendee must fill out a separate form. Please make copies if needed.

City/Utility

City/Utility Billing Address

City

State

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Phone

Fax

Name and title, as to appear on name badge

E-mail

Full Conference Registration: \$200

(Includes admission to all general and concurrent sessions, one admission to Associate Member Reception, one admission to President's Reception, one admission to Thursday luncheon, one admission to banquet). IAMU members only.

One-Day Registration (Feb. 21): \$175

(Includes admission to all general and concurrent sessions February 21, one admission to President's Reception, one admission to Thursday luncheon, one admission to banquet). IAMU members only.

Non-IAMU Member Registration: \$250

(Includes admission to all events listed under "Full Conference Registration." No early registration discount for non-IAMU members.)

Additional Feb. 21 luncheon tickets

_____ @ \$20 ea. = _____

Additional Feb. 21 banquet tickets

_____ @ \$40 ea. = _____

TOTAL DUE IAMU \$ _____



Mail this page to: IAMU, 1735 NE 70th Ave., Ankeny, IA 50021
Fax to: 515/289-2499

Register for the Annual Conference online at www.iamu.org

Water/wastewater operators: Qualifying sessions for CEUs (see agenda) will be billed following the Annual Conference at \$10 per CEU.

Cancellation Policy: Registration fees will be fully refunded if cancellation is made no later than **February 15, 2007**. Cancellations must be made via phone to IAMU at 800/810-4268.



TWO DAYS, TWO WORKSHOPS: ADVANCED H2O IN MARCH

The "Advanced H2O" Workshops are slated for March 5 and 6 and IAMU's Training & Office Complex in Ankeny. Advanced water treatment will be covered March 5, with advanced water distribution the topic of the March 6 sessions. Participants may register for one or both workshops (0.5 CEUs are available for each, for water treatment and water distribution, respectively).

Topics to be presented in the advanced water treatment session include a look at the UV water treatment plant in Cedar Rapids; new well site considerations; water quality complaints and their causes; aquifers; and

lime softening. The advanced water distribution workshop will present distribution system white papers; pumps & motors; DNR update; managing water quality within storage tanks; and trenchless technologies.

Registration fees are \$75 per person for one workshop or \$150 per person for both. A workshop brochure and registration form has been distributed, or participants may register electronically on the IAMU website, www.iamu.org (click on "Calendar/Registrations").

For more information contact IAMU at 800/810-4268.

SANDY LONGFELLOW, JUSTIN VOGT JOIN IAMU STAFF



Sandy Longfellow

IAMU welcomes new Executive Assistant Sandy Longfellow to its office staff. Sandy comes to IAMU with a wealth of related experience gained from 19 years of employment at the Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC), where she oversaw several administrative programs, including member health insurance and county case management.

Sandy will work closely with IAMU Executive Director Bob Haug, and will also assist other staff members with many administrative functions.

A resident of Altoona, Sandy lives with her husband, who works the State of Iowa. They have two daughters and two granddaughters.

IAMU is also pleased to announce the addition of Justin Vogt to your association's Job Training & Safety staff.

Justin is a December 2007 graduate of Iowa State University, with a degree in Industrial Technology, with Occupational Safety Option. Justin has been working closely with, and will continue to work with, the City of Ames on their IAMU-administered safety programs. His duties will also be expanded in the future.

While at Iowa State, Justin was a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He currently resides in Ames, but grew up in Illinois and Michigan, where he became a huge fan of hockey, and the Detroit Red Wings in particular. He also enjoys playing the drums in his spare time.



Justin Vogt

action groups. For example, the total distribution to the 15 members of Missouri River Energy Services who participate in the Safety Group was \$159,992; Northern Iowa Municipal Electric Cooperative Association (NIMECA) members include 14 Safety Group participants that together received \$148,514; Retail Power Group of Iowa (RPGI) has 23 Safety Group participants receiving \$226,446;

18 Southern Iowa Municipal Electric Cooperative Association (SIMECA) members received \$115,956; and four of six Western Iowa Municipal Electric Cooperative Association (WIMECA) members are participants. They received \$26,081. (Totals include utility, city, and fire department distributions for these IAMU members.)

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CALENDAR OF IAMU WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS



All information subject to change.

Unless otherwise noted, all events held at IAMU Training & Office Complex: 1735 NE 70th Ave., Ankeny, IA

2008

February 2008

February 20 – 22

IAMU Annual Conference, Sheraton West Des Moines

February 26 – 28

Electric: Diesel Generation Workshop, Waterloo

February 27 – 28

Stormwater: IAMU Stormwater Conference, Marriott Hotel & Conference Center, Coralville

March 2008

March 5

Water: Advanced H2O Workshop (Water Treatment)

March 6

Water: Advanced H2O Workshop (Water Distribution)

March 17 – 20

Gas: Pipeline Welder Qualification Workshop, Iowa Lakes Community College, Emmetsburg

March 17 – 20

Gas: Pipeline Welder Qualification Workshop, Des Moines Area Community College, Ankeny

March 25 – 26

Safety: Job Training Workshop



APPA Legislative Rally

**February 25 - 27, 2008
Renaissance Mayflower Hotel
Washington, D.C.**

Each year, approximately 700 public power utility managers, board members, mayors and city council members gather in Washington to shape APPA's legislative priorities and convey the value and benefits of public power to Members of Congress.

This premier public power event is held at the venerable Mayflower Hotel. Don't miss this opportunity to impact public power's legislative policy – register today!

For more information, go to the "Events Calendar" online at www.APPAnet.org for hotel information and to register or contact Joy Ditto at 202/467-2954; jditto@APPAnet.org. Or register online at www.APAnet.org.



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Contact Lori Beary at lori.beary@iowa.gov or 800.432.7230.





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Mail, fax (515/289-2499) or e-mail (jburnett@iamu.org) ad copy to John Burnett at IAMU.

— HELP WANTED —

ELECTRIC SUPERINTENDENT: City of Pocahontas. Qualified candidate will possess strong construction and maintenance skills in underground and overhead distribution systems. Iowa class B CDL with airbrake endorsement required within 30 days of hire. Pre-employment physical and drug test required. Minimum starting wage \$29.00 per hour plus excellent benefit package. EOE. *Position open until filled.* Additional information about the community and position can be found at <http://www.pocahontasiowa.com/jobs.html> Send cover letter and resume to:

City Administrator
City of Pocahontas
PO Box 69
Pocahontas, IA 50574 1/08

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: The City of Winthrop is accepting applications for this position. The Public Works Director plans, directs and manages the operations of streets, water, wastewater, pool and parks. Preferred qualifications include: Grade II water treatment and distribution license; certified pool operator license; and holder of CDL. Salary DOQ. EOE. *Position open until filled.* Pre-employment physical and drug/alcohol screening required. Send resume and references to:

City of Winthrop
PO Box 98
Winthrop, IA 50682 1/08

ELECTRIC PLANT OPERATOR: City of Forest City. High school diploma or GED required. Some knowledge of methods, procedures, and practices used in the operation of diesel-fired electric power generation plant preferred. On-call rotation. Must meet residency requirements of the department. Excellent wages and benefits. EOE. *Position open until filled.* Send introductory letter and resume to:

City of Forest City
Attn: Roger Rollefson
P.O. Box 346
Forest City, IA 50436
(641) 585-4343 1/08

— HELP WANTED —

PUBLIC WORKS: Individual needed to operate/maintain city water treatment, water distribution and wastewater systems. This full time position will also provide assistance in operating/maintaining city equipment, grounds, buildings, streets and infrastructure as needed. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent, possess a valid Iowa CDL vehicle operators license. Prefer individual with Grade II water certifications and Grade I wastewater certification or have the ability to obtain. Salary DOQ. Must live within 30 minutes of Lone Tree. EOE. *Applications accepted until position is filled.* Contact:

Lone Tree City Hall
123 N. DeVoe St.
PO Box 337
Lone Tree, IA 52755
Ph. 319-629-4615 1/08

ELECTRIC SUPERINTENDENT: The City of Central City, Nebraska is accepting applications for this position. The position is responsible for the management, operation and maintenance of the three-person city owned electric distribution system. Lineworker and municipal experience preferred. Starting salary range \$60,000 - \$70,000, negotiable, and DOQ, plus a very generous benefits package. *Position open until filled.* City application and supplemental questionnaire required and may be obtained at:

1515 17th St.
Central City, NE 68826
by phone: 308-946-3806
by email: ctyadm@cconline.net 1/08

DIESEL ENGINE OPERATOR: The New Hampton Municipal Light Plant is seeking an operator capable of the operation and maintenance of five diesel/dual fuel engines with 23 MW of electric generation; with the ability to overhaul engines and knowledge of pneumatic and electrical controls. Also needs ability in maintenance of all equipment associated with the production and distribution of electricity. Must be willing to be on-call nights and weekends. EOE. *Position open until filled.* Send resume to:

New Hampton Light Plant
921 North Contry Ave.
New Hampton, IA 50659
Or email geschke@iowatelecom.net
12/07



— HELP WANTED —

WATER DISTRIBUTION: The Oskaloosa Municipal Water Department is seeking applicants for a water distribution position. The qualified candidate must possess a State of Iowa Grade I water distribution certificate or be able to obtain within six months. He/she must also possess a valid class B CDL or be able to obtain within six months. Wage DOQ. Excellent benefits package. Pre-employment drug screening and physical required. *Position open until filled.* Send resume to:

Oskaloosa Municipal Water Department
213 S. 1st
Oskaloosa, IA 52577 12/07

WATER SUPERVISOR: Mt. Pleasant Municipal Utilities is seeking a qualified applicant for the position of Water Supervisor who directs and supervises personnel in the construction, maintenance, repair and operation of the distribution and EDR water treatment systems. Ability to supervise the work of others and communicate effectively. Ability to prepare and administer a budget. Excellent benefits. Salary negotiable upon experience. Mt. Pleasant, IA is an EOE. Send resume to:

Lori Glanzman
General Manager
Mt. Pleasant Municipal Utilities,
509 North Adams
Mt. Pleasant, IA 52641 12/07

JOURNEY/APPRENTICE LINEPERSON: Waverly Light and Power, a municipal electric utility serving 4,500 customers in Waverly, Iowa is accepting applications for a journey or apprentice lineperson with a wage range up to \$25.48 an hour. Duties include working 69 KV transmission and 12.5 KV distribution OH and URD in the construction and maintenance of power and street lighting systems, operation of construction equipment and tools, graduate of an accredited high school and a graduate of an accredited power line technician school, must possess valid Iowa CDL, physical strength and stamina to perform work required, ability to climb poles, rotating night and weekend standby duties, residency requirements. Excellent benefits package. Pre-employment physical and drug test required. EOE. Check out our great community and award winning utility at www.waverlyia.com. Send letter of application, resume, references and salary history to:

Operations Manager
Waverly Light and Power
P.O. Box 329
Waverly, IA 50677 12/07

— HELP WANTED —

JOURNEYMAN ELECTRIC LINeworker: Muscatine Power and Water has an immediate opening for a Journeyman Electric Lineworker. Applicants must have the ability to safely perform all duties with regard to line construction, maintenance, and operation of overhead and underground 4kV and 13.8kV distribution system; qualified to rubber glove 13.8kV; and perform de-energized maintenance and construction of 69kV and 161kV transmission system. Position will require compliance with residency policy within six months to accommodate standby requirements. Lineworkers required to comply with CDL regulations in the State of Iowa. Journeyman rate is \$29.58 per hour, eff 12/2007. Utility provides a comprehensive benefit plan. Pre-employment physical, drug test, and background check required. EOE. Send a confidential resume to:

Muscatine Power and Water
Attn: Human Resources
3205 Cedar Street
Muscatine, Iowa 52761
www.mpw.org
recruiter@mpw.org 12/07

— FOR SALE —

FIRE TRUCK: City of Oelwein is accepting sealed bids for a 1977 IHC Cargostar 1810B fire truck manufactured by Pierce. Approx. 9,812 miles; 1,364 engine hours. Equipped with Waterous 1,000 gpm 2-stage pump; 750-gallon onboard water tank; MV446 gas V-8 engine; Allison MT640 automatic trans.; 137" WB. Ready for immediate delivery and includes some fire equipment. City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. For more information contact Oelwein Fire Dept., 319-283-5722 or Chief W. A. Rundle, wrundle@mchsi.com. *Bids accepted until May 1, 2008.* Send bids to:

Oelwein City Hall
Attn: City Clerk
20 Second Ave. SW
Oelwein, IA 50662-1646 1/08

SWEEPER: City of Lake Mills accepting sealed bids *until 4:00 p.m., February 29, 2008* for used 1997 ATHEY model H-10C mechanical street sweeper with 2,828 hours. Will be sold as is. Call Lake Mills Public Works Dept., 641-592-2441, 7 a.m. – 4 p.m., for more information or to set up viewing appointment. City reserves the right to reject any or all bids and accept the bid that in its opinion is in best interest of the City. Submit bids, marked "ATHEY Sweeper Bid," to:

Lake Mills City Hall
105 West Main St.
Lake Mills, IA 50450 1/08



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Help support IAMU's training programs when you buy safety equipment online from Omark Safety.

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