

Job Title: AMI Operator**Location:** Service Center**Department:** System Control**Job Status:** Full-Time**Reports To:** Operational Technology Supervisor**Job Grade:** 209**Pay Status:** Non-Exempt**Date Created/Updated:** 10/7/2022

Position Summary

The AMI Operator is responsible for troubleshooting & correcting problems with AMI devices. These devices include electric meters, water interpreters, Relays & Access Points. The AMI Operator will collaborate with the Lead AMI Operator when necessary to find and resolve device issues. AMI Operators will also work to eliminate direct-read water meters in NBU's service territory by participating in AMI register retro-fit initiative. AMI Operators will be responsible for providing timely accurate reads for our Billing Department. AMI Operators will also complete disconnect/reconnect service orders for the Customer Service Department.

Essential Duties & Responsibilities

AMI

- Make field trips to troubleshoot and repair AMI/AMR Communication Network devices.
- Use Master Meter Programmer to program/log/troubleshoot AMI interpreters.
- Use CATT Communications Tester to log/troubleshoot electric meters
- Provide excellent customer service by working to proactively resolve potential customer billing issues and problems by analyzing and interpreting consumption and reading data from the MDM before billing is generated.

METER READS

- Download daily meter reading routes each morning
- Load routes into hand held and mobile units
- Divide mobile routes and manual reads between meter readers
- Manual reads are collected by either walking or driving the route
- All mobile routes are driven to collect reads
- Report inoperative meters, registers and E.R.T.s to the Metering Supervisor

SERVICE ORDERS

- Change of Tenant (C.O.T.) orders are run through our fixed network first to try and pick up the reads. If unsuccessful, then manual reads are done. Orders are then divided geographically to each of the meter readers.
- Complete every order electronically through MCare software

DISCONNECT/RECONNECT NON-PAY

- Water-Only & Commercial Electric Accounts will be handled by AMI Operations
- Any AMI electric meter not able to be worked by the automation should be investigated & determinations made as to how
- AMI Operations will remedy the issue moving forward(Meter RMA, Network build-out etc...)
- All orders are completed through MCare

ERT AND REGISTER REPLACEMENT

- Report inoperative meters to the Lead Metering Technician
- Replace broken registers or ERTs with AMI Interpreters as they are discovered
- Create and complete each order on MCare

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- Adhere to NBU safety guidelines and practices at all times and in all situations
- Exemplifies NBU Core Values of Integrity, Stewardship, Team, Culture and Safety
- Maintain regular attendance; leave schedule should be managed so as to not interfere with ability to accomplish tasks, including special projects and assignments with deadlines
- Maintain a clean and safe work area, office, field site and vehicle as applicable
- Develop & maintain effective customer service skills for communications with co-workers, customers and the public in general
- Maintain strict confidentiality of business, employee and customer information in written and oral communications and safeguard sensitive documents
- Adhere to NBU policies and procedures
- Participate in and support initiatives to reach annual NBU Performance Measures

Formal Education and Work Experience Requirements

Degree/Diploma Obtained: High School Diploma/GED

Field of Study: General Studies

Work Experience Time Frame: One Year or More

Other: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Certification and Licensures Requirements

- A valid Texas Driver's License is required to operate a company vehicle.

Other Minimum Qualifications

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Knowledge of Computer Software

	No Knowledge	Beginner	Intermediate	Expert
Arc GIS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
AutoCAD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Crystal Reports	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Microsoft Access	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Microsoft Excel	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Microsoft Word	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Microsoft Publisher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Microsoft PowerPoint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other Software Knowledge

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Experience with Machines, Tools, Equipment and Other Work Aids

Vehicle, screwdriver, knives, shovel, hammer, hook, bolt cutters, loppers, volt meter, electrical rubber gloves, map, flashlight, hardhat, safety glasses, safety vest,

Laptop, handhelds, mobile units.

Physical Demands

Standing: Frequently

- Making Presentations
- Observing Work Sites
- Observing Work Duties
- Communication with Co-Workers

Fine Dexterity: Frequently

- Computer Keyboard
- Telephone Keypad
- Calculator
- Calibrating Equipment

Walking: Frequently

- To Other Departments/Office/Office Equipment
- Around Worksite

Carrying: Occasionally

- Supplies
- Equipment
- Files

Sitting: Frequently

- Desk Work
- Meetings
- Driving

Reaching: Frequently

- For Supplies
- For Files

Handling: Occasionally

- Paperwork
- Monies

Kneeling: Frequently

- Filing in Lower Drawers
- Retrieving Items from Lower Shelves/Ground

Pushing/Pulling: Frequently

- File Drawers
- Equipment
- Table and Chairs
- Hose

Climbing: Occasionally

- Stairs

- Ladder
- Step Stool
- Onto Equipment

Vision: Constantly

- Reading
- Computer Screen
- Driving
- Observing Worksite

Foot Controls: Frequently

- Driving
- Operating Heavy Equipment
- Dictaphone

Balancing: Rarely

- On Ladder
- On Equipment
- On Step Stool

Bending: Frequently

- Filing in Lower Drawers
- Retrieving Items from Lower Shelves/Ground
- Making Repairs

Crouching: Frequently

- Filing in Lower Drawers
- Retrieving Items from Lower Shelves/Ground

Crawling: Never

- Under Equipment
- Inside Attics/Pipes/Ditches

Hearing: Constantly

- Communication Via Telephone/Radio/To Co-Workers/Public
- Listening to Equipment

Twisting: Frequently

- From Computer to Telephone
- Getting Inside Vehicle

Talking: Frequently

- Communication Via Telephone/Radio/To-Co-Workers/Public

Other: Click or tap here to enter text.

Environmental Factors

	Never	Seasonally	Several Times Per Year	Several Times Per Month	Several Times Per Week	Daily
Extreme Temperature (Heat, cold, extreme temp. change)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Wetness and/or humidity (bodily discomfort from moisture)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Respiratory Hazards (Fumes, gases, chemicals, dust, and dirt)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Noise and Vibration (sufficient to cause hearing loss)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physical Hazards (High voltage, dangerous machinery, aggressive Customers)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Health and Safety Conditions

	Never (Never Occurs)	Rarely (Less than 1 hour per week)	Occasionally (1/3 or more of the time)	Frequently (From 1/3 to 2/3 of the time)	Constantly (2/3 or more of the time)
Mechanical Hazards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chemical Hazards	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electrical Hazards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fire Hazards	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Explosives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communicable Diseases	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physical Danger or Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other: Click or tap here to enter text.

Primary Work Environment: Vehicle

Other: Outdoors/Field

Overall Strength Demands

- Sedentary - Exerting up to 10 pounds occasionally or negligible weight frequently, mostly sitting
- Light - Exerting up to 20 pounds occasionally, 10 pounds frequently, walking or standing often
- Medium - Exerting 20 - 50 pounds occasionally, 10 - 25 pounds frequently, or 10 pounds constantly
- Heavy - Exerting 50 - 100 pounds occasionally, 25 - 50 pounds frequently, or 10 - 20 pounds constantly
- Very Heavy - Exerting 50 pounds constantly

Non-Physical Demands

	Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Constantly
Time Pressure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emergency Situations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Frequent Change of Task	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Irregular Schedule/Overtime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Performing Multiple Tasks Simultaneously	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Working Closely with Others as Part of a Team	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tedious or Exacting Work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Noisy/Distracting Environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other: Click or tap here to enter text.

Employee Statement of Understanding

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I HAVE READ AND RECEIVED A COPY OF THIS JOB DESCRIPTION.

Employee's Signature

Employee's Printed Name

Date