

Quality Assurance Specialist

SALARY RANGE: 102,721.00 - 153,200.00 USD per year

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SERIES & GRADE: GS-1910-14/15

POSITION INFORMATION: Full -Time Permanent

PROMOTION POTENTIAL: 15

DUTY LOCATIONS: 1 vacancy - Washington DC Metro Area, DC

WHO MAY BE CONSIDERED:

This announcement is open to Status Candidates (including reinstatement eligibles) within the local commuting area. Noncompetitive applicants or applicants who qualify under an Interchange Agreement, special appointing authority, or ICTAP within the local commuting area; and veterans who qualify under the Veteran Employment Opportunity Act (VEOA).

Relocation will not be paid.

JOB SUMMARY:

The Department of Energy's overarching mission is to advance the national, economic, and energy security of the U.S. through scientific and technological innovation and the environmental cleanup of the national nuclear weapons complex. With DOE you'll have the flexibility and freedom to explore a world of possibilities through a wealth of exciting and challenging career opportunities. By joining DOE, you can hone your career skills while helping to secure the U.S. future and make a real difference in the lives of Americans and people around the world.

The Office of Environmental Management(EM), is seeking a motivated and highly-qualified candidate for an exciting full-time permanent position located in the Office of Standards and Quality Assurance in Washington D.C. The mission of the Office of Standard and Quality Assurance is to ensure that the necessary technical, safety, and quality requirements and standards are properly identified and adequately implemented for all line-item EM capital projects and major operating projects and facilities in a timely and technically defensible manner.

Although the official duty station is Washington, D.C., work of the EM Headquarters organization is conducted in two locations, Germantown, MD and Washington, D.C. The incumbent may be required to attend meetings or conduct segments of work at either location or the other (without change in official duty station location). Transportation between locations is available throughout the day via the DOE shuttle and employees are expected to use this service.

This position is subjected to the Department's Technical Qualification Program (TQP) and the incumbent is required to become qualified in the appropriate category of TQP and also qualified as a Nuclear Quality Assurance (NQA-1)lead auditor within 180 days and 365 days of the effective date of employment respectively.

Some travel is required. Some field site visits may require special training and use of protective clothing and equipment to prevent exposure to industrial and radiological hazards.

The selectee for this position will, as a recognized expert in the Field of Quality Assurance (QA), be responsible for providing and/or designing program policy, program management, development and

coordination of the implementation of the EM HQ QA program and oversight of the EM Field Office QA Programs and contractor QA programs.

The successful candidate for this position will possess the following KSAs:

1. Mastery of advance concepts, principles, practices and techniques of QA and related technical fields sufficient to enable the incumbent to generate new theories, methods and techniques necessary to adequately support long-term goals, and to serve as a recognized QA expert.
2. Expert knowledge of pertinent federal laws and regulations, national consensus standards and guidance on QA, including nuclear safety regulations, practices and procedures.
3. Expert knowledge of quality assurance principles and methods to develop agency plans, policies, and procedures for acquisition quality assurance systems to be used by specialists in field contracting organizations.
4. Comprehensive knowledge of engineering program and project management principles, safety requirements, practices, and procedures to ensure external safety and health requirements are integrated.
5. Ability to conduct studies and assessments of complex or unprecedented quality assurance problems, and derive solutions which may require the development of new techniques and procedures or changes in agency policy.
6. Extensive skill and diplomacy in negotiating and coordinating so as to plan, manage, recommend and determine courses of action concerning highly sensitive and far-reaching environmental QA/management issues.
7. Skill in defining problems, analyzing alternatives, and recommending solutions to assess field performance, provide technical advice to field personnel and headquarters staff offices, and serve on interagency committees or task groups.
8. Ability to communicate effectively with high-level decision making officials in DOE and in other Federal agencies, develop ideas in logical sequence, express thoughts clearly, and write concisely.

KEY REQUIREMENTS:

U.S. Citizenship is required.

Background and/or Security Investigation is required

THIS POSITION IS IN THE BARGAINING UNIT COVERED UNDER NTEU.

Submit online applications by the closing date of the announcement

Current Federal Employees Must Meet Time-in-Grade to be considered

Supplemental documents MUST be FAXED by the closing date.

FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS JOB:

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