Notice of Vacancy

Filling of this position is contingent upon further approval process

Title: Research Scientist 3 - Chemistry

Posting Number: ACSP-2023-7

Open to: General Public

Work Week: NL (35-hour) Work Week

Salary: (P25) $69,579.06 – $98,899.62

Opening Date: 8/3/2023

Closing Date: 8/25/2023

Existing Vacancies: One (1)

Program/Location
Department of Environmental Protection
Office of the Chief of Staff
Science & Research
428 East State Street
Trenton, NJ 08625

Scope of Eligibility: Open to applicants who meet the requirements below.

Description: Under direction of a Research Scientist 1 or other supervisory official in a state department, institution, or agency, conducts or participates in research projects or functional programs in a specific professional field; does other related duties as required.

Specific to the Position: Activities include duties related to the administration of the New Jersey Laboratory Certification Program and the administration of the NJDEP Quality Assurance Program. The responsibilities will include, but not be limited to, conducting on-site audits of labs analyzing samples for drinking water, wastewater, solid/hazardous waste, and air. Areas of analytical capability may include inorganic/organic chemistry, radiochemistry, asbestos or microbiology. Assures the analytical methodology is consistent with test procedures established by national organizations, and data generated by the methodology is accurate and acceptable for use by the environmental community. Leads projects to evaluate and define the technical standards needed for the operation of scientific instrumentation used for the analyses of environmental samples. Makes qualitative evaluations related to the generation, collection, review and use of analytical data. Could require approximately 25-30% of work time traveling.

Preferred Skill Set: Strong knowledge of environmental testing methodologies and quality assurance/quality control procedures used in the analyses of drinking water, wastewater, and solid/hazardous waste. An understanding of state and federal regulations and requirements. Ability to write clear, technically sound, accurate and factual reports in order to evaluate a laboratory's compliance with State and Federal regulations.

Requirements
**Education:** Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master of Science degree in Chemistry or other appropriate physical or environmental science discipline.

NOTE: All U.S. degrees and transcripts must be from an accredited college or university. All foreign degrees and transcripts must be evaluated for accreditation by a recognized evaluation service by the closing date of this posting. Failure to provide documentation may result in ineligibility.

**Experience:** Two (2) years of experience in chemical analysis or research.

NOTE: A Doctorate in a physical, chemical, or environmental science discipline may be substituted for the experience indicated above.

OR

**Education:** Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry or other appropriate physical or environmental science discipline.

NOTE: All U.S. degrees and transcripts must be from an accredited college or university. All foreign degrees and transcripts must be evaluated for accreditation by a recognized evaluation service by the closing date of this posting. Failure to provide documentation may result in ineligibility.

**Experience:** Two (2) years of experience in chemical analysis or research AND one (1) year of experience in the operation of the gas chromatography mass spectrometer, gas chromatograph, high performance liquid chromatograph, fourier transform mass spectrometer, inductively coupled plasma spectrometer, atomic absorption spectrometer, x-ray defractor, transmission electron microscope, or updated replacements thereof.

**License:** Appointees will be required to possess a valid driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform the essentials duties of the position.

**Residency:** All persons newly hired on or after September 1, 2011 have one year from the date of employment to establish, and then maintain principal residence in the State of New Jersey subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:14-7 (L.2011, Chapter 70), also known as the "New Jersey First Act".

**Authorization to Work:** Selected candidates must be authorized to work in the United States per the Department of Homeland Security, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services regulations. **Note:** The State of New Jersey does not provide sponsorship for citizenship to the United States.

**Veteran's Preference:** To qualify for New Jersey Veteran's Preference/status, you must establish Veteran's Preference through the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs. Please submit proof of your Veteran's Preference along with your resume as indicated below. For more information, please visit [https://www.nj.gov/military/veterans/services/civil-service-preference/](https://www.nj.gov/military/veterans/services/civil-service-preference/)

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**Submit Letter of Interest, Resume, Unofficial Transcripts (if college degree is required), and the Personal Relationship Disclosure Statement by 4:00 p.m. on the closing date to:**

Talent Acquisition Team  
Division of Human Resources  
E-mail Address: DEP-HR-EXECUTIVE.Resumes@dep.nj.gov  
Please include the title and posting # of this Notice of Vacancy in the subject line of your e-mail.  
Please tell us how you heard about this position

**SAME applicants:** If you are applying under the NJ SAME program, your supporting documents (Schedule A or B letter) must be submitted along with your resume by the closing date indicated above. For more information on the SAME program, please visit [https://nj.gov/csc/same/overview/index.shtml](https://nj.gov/csc/same/overview/index.shtml), email SAME@csc.nj.gov, or call CSC at
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Phiroza Stoneback, Manager
Division of Human Resources

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is committed to inclusive hiring and a diverse workforce. We strongly encourage people from all backgrounds to apply. Accommodations under ADA will be provided upon request.