CLASS TITLE: Environmental Inspector

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASS: Under supervision, the class conducts routine compliance inspections of business establishments covered by the Environmental Protection Act; and performs related duties as required.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES: Inspects industrial, demolition and waste disposal sites to ensure compliance with the Environmental Protection Act; conducts emission tests, records results, determines code compliance and recommends corrective action if emission levels exceed acceptable amounts; collects samples of suspected hazardous materials and submits for laboratory analysis; inspects industrial facilities to ensure public safety standards are adhered to and issues citations when violations are found; responds to complaints alleging environmental pollution, interviewing complainants and conducting investigations to identify the source of reported pollution and whether a violation has occurred; interprets the Environmental Protection Act and issues citations to code violators; conducts re-inspections to ensure violations have been corrected; prepares reports detailing inspections conducted and citations issued.

RELATED DUTIES: Assists senior level staff in conducting covert surveillance activities in response to complaints; testifies in court on investigations conducted and citations issued.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Training and Experience. One year of public contact experience, or an equivalent combination of training and experience. A valid State of Illinois driver’s license is required.


Ability to conduct environmental inspections. Ability to prepare inspection reports. Ability to conduct emissions tests and collect specimen.

Good oral and written communication skills. Skill in working with the public.
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Equipment. Personal computers and technical field testing instrumentation and photographic equipment.

NOTE: While the list of essential duties is intended to be as inclusive as possible, there may be other duties which are essential to particular positions within the class.

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