

Water Production Operations Manager - City of Olathe, KS

Strategically located just 20 miles southwest of Kansas City within its 2.2 million-resident metropolitan area, Olathe stands out as a dominant business, economic, and cultural center in the Midwest. Established in 1857, the city derives its name from the Shawnee Indian word for “beautiful.” Over 150 years later, Olathe has a population of 141,290 and boasts a high quality of life with seamless regional connectivity, a nationally acclaimed school system, and one of the nation’s best-educated workforces.

Olathe’s Infrastructure Department plays a vital role in servicing, building, managing, and operating the core functions of the community, known throughout the region for its exceptional services. With an annual budget of \$5 million, the Water Production Operations Manager has direct responsibility for Olathe’s Water Production. Two experienced Water Plant Superintendents provide oversight to a team of 17 skilled Control and Process Operators working around the clock 365 days a year to provide safe and reliable drinking water to Olathe’s water customers. The Water Production Operations Manager undertakes highly responsible, technical, supervisory, and managerial duties, overseeing the comprehensive operation of the Water Production section within Environmental Services. This role is pivotal in ensuring strict compliance with all Federal and State regulations to deliver clean, safe, and abundant drinking water to City of Olathe customers.

The City of Olathe is seeking a skilled and experienced professional with a strong background in water treatment processes, management, and leadership with a proven track record in managing complex operations. Experience in drinking water production operations and management, chlorine dioxide addition, and membrane filtration is highly desirable. The ability to manage budgets, develop and implement operational plans, and a commitment to proper safety protocols and procedures is key to the position.

This position requires a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university with major coursework in civil engineering, chemical engineering, environmental engineering, or a related field. Master’s degree preferred. Candidates should have four to six years of related experience, including at least two years of administrative or supervisory experience. Experience operating a water-softening plant and/or membrane filtration plant is preferred. Certification as a Kansas Class IV Water Operator, or the ability to obtain within 24 months of hire, is required. A Kansas driver’s license is also required. Licensure as a Kansas Professional Engineer (PE) is preferred. Any combination of experience and education that would likely provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities will be considered.

The City of Olathe is offering a salary range of \$101,088 to \$156,788 for this position, depending on qualifications and experience.

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