



NORD RESOURCES CORPORATION-JOHNSON CAMP MINE

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Area: Mine
Position: Powderman
Technician: 3
Reports to: Mine Shift Supervisor
Employment status: Non-Exempt

Description

Performs duties related to the blasting and excavation of natural materials at a skilled level.

- May operate stemming equipment such as: backhoes, front-end loaders, skid-steer loaders, stemming trucks, and light-duty vehicles
- Responsible for having knowledge of hazards associated with all blast patterns, including securing blast areas from public access and equipment
- May program blast pattern using electronic blasting system
- May review blast timing and sequence in accordance with tying in pattern
- May measure blast holes for total depth and water depth
- May determine powder load and stem height
- May be responsible for properly priming blast holes at proper depths
- May assemble primer and place primer with main charge in blast hole
- May be responsible for controlling inventory of explosives
- Communicates and interacts with various departments and employees within various levels of organization
- Responsible for the knowledge and safe performance of the following procedures: clearing blast sites, securing and holding blocking positions, blast initiation, post-blast inspection, misfires, mining out problem holes, dewatering blast holes, and lightning prediction
- May assist with proper hook-up and delay techniques of non-electric, electric, and/or electronic initiation systems in accordance with blast design and engineering criteria
- Performs pre-shift and work area inspections
- Perform other duties as required

Qualifications

- High School Diploma or GED
- Six (6) months of mine operations experience
- Basic computer skills
- Must obtain permission to legally handle explosives per ATF standards once in position.
- Ability to understand and apply verbal and written work and safety-related instructions and procedures in English
- Ability to communicate in English with respect to job assignments, job procedures and applicable safety standards
- Must be able to receive and maintain Explosive Possessor Certification through the BATF
- Completion of the Colorado Workforce Readiness Certificate

Criteria/ Conditions:

- Personal protective equipment is required on a regular basis, including hard hat, hearing protection, safety glasses, safety footwear, and, as needed: respirator, rubber steel-toed boots, gloves, fall protection, protective clothing, goggles, face shield and other protective equipment as required
- Employee may be required to work in environments that may include exposure to extreme temperatures, humidity, dust, noise, fumes, and gasses
- While performing the duties of this job, the employee is required to stand, sit, demonstrate manual dexterity, climb stairs and ladders, work on uneven work surfaces and work on elevated platforms
- Frequently may be required to lift up to fifty (50) pounds during the course of the work day
- May be required to work a non-standard schedule which may include shift work (other than day shift) in a 24/7/365 operation
- Nord Resources Corporation promotes a drug/ alcohol-free work environment through the use of mandatory pre-employment drug testing and on-going random drug testing as allowed by state laws