

## **Mechanical Technician** *Position Posting*

Oberland Agriscience is a sustainable black soldier fly larvae (BSFL) farm in Halifax, NS. We are focused on closing the food loop in our region and making a positive contribution to our planet. Oberland's high performing team rears BSFL in our zero-waste facility and delivers exceptional productivity per hectare yielding a nutrient rich, low environmental impact protein. Partnering with local food producers and distributors, Oberland upcycles organic by-products such as spent grains from your favourite craft brewery to grow BSFL on an industrial scale. Oberland continues to play a role in a more sustainable circular economy in our region.

Deploying an organic by-products-to-alternate protein approach, Oberland produces several insect derived products. Oberland generates high quality sustainable protein from larvae and a fertilizer product for home gardens and agricultural lands. #closingthefoodloop

The context for the role of Mechanical Technician is to ensure the key production and building systems are operating optimally.

Key Support Person: Maintenance Manager

Functional Responsibilities:

### **Infrastructure 100%**

#### *Key Responsibilities*

- Perform daily mechanical rounds to monitor building systems (HVAC systems, pumps, fans, boiler, heat pumps, emergency generators, chiller, etc.), noting any anomalies and prompting investigative/repair work
- Perform scheduled PM activities on facility mechanical equipment and plan/schedule/perform preventative work on equipment
- Trouble-shoot and repair equipment as necessary
- Oversee inventory of spare parts for mechanical systems and order materials for maintenance work as required
- Manage work order system in CMMS for the maintenance of mechanical equipment
- Monitor utility usage and investigate any anomalies, identifying opportunities for energy savings and cost reduction.
- Offer technical training and assistance where required to improve the team's skillset and knowledge in operating mechanical systems
- Participate in maintenance planning activities
- Contribute to the planning and execution of capital projects and facility improvements

- Support the preparation of facility condition reports and help plan maintenance budgets
- Ensure all maintenance activities comply with current legislative requirements, company policies, and best practices
- Stay informed about changes in regulations to ensure the facility remains compliant at all times

#### **What we're looking for:**

- Minimum 3-5 years of experience in industrial mechanical system maintenance and operations
- Relevant certification or ticket in a technical field (HVAC, building operation, etc.)
- Strong knowledge of building systems (HVAC, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, etc.) and building automation systems (BAS)
- Experience working in a CMMS
- Excellent problem-solving skills with a proactive, hands-on approach to maintenance
- Strong communication skills, both verbal and written
- Ability to mentor and provide technical guidance to team members
- A solid understanding of preventative maintenance systems and the ability to develop and execute maintenance schedules
- Ability to manage multiple tasks efficiently in a fast-paced environment.
- A commitment to continuous learning and growth

#### **Physical requirements**

- Ability to lift heavy objects and perform general physical safely as needed
- Ability to be on feet for many hours of the shift
- Availability to be on-call to perform maintenance as needed

Oberland Agriscience Inc. is committed to creating an equitable and inclusive culture with a high level of belonging. As such, we are grateful to receive applications from all qualified candidates.

This is a full time, permanent position (following 3-month probation) based out of our facility at 71 Grassy Lake Boulevard in Halifax.

If you would like to apply, please send your resume and cover letter to Kath Perry – [kath@oberlandagriscience.com](mailto:kath@oberlandagriscience.com).