Safe Drinking Water Act Enforcement Intern

Background: Come learn more about the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA)! EPA Region 8 is looking for an intern to serve on the Safe Drinking Water Act Enforcement Section and assist both the Drinking Water Enforcement and Underground Injection Control (UIC) Enforcement Teams (Teams). The selected intern will assist the Teams with ensuring the safety of drinking water and protecting underground sources of drinking water in our region. The work that will be accomplished by the intern is vitally important, and we look forward to having you onboard to help us accomplish our mission.

Description:

Specific duties may include, but are not limited, to the following:

1) Drinking Water Enforcement:

- a. Create a funding matrix similar to that of Montana, which lists the various Wyoming and tribal funding options for drinking water systems (e.g., SRF, Mineral Royal Grant, Office of State Lands and Investments, Department of Ag Rural Development), what they fund (e.g., treatment, infrastructure), loan/grant maximum amounts and requirements (e.g., matching funds, 2% payback), and contact information/website addresses. This work will assist systems under enforcement in returning to compliance; thereby, they will be able to provide safe drinking water to their customers.
- b. Create a list of EPA counterparts (e.g., Office Research and Development) whom the Drinking Water Enforcement staff can contact regarding various drinking water issues (e.g., arsenic removal), which will enable systems under enforce to expeditiously return to compliance.

2) Underground Injection Control Enforcement

- a. Develop a spreadsheet with the following information for UIC actions over the last 10 years: case name, well class, docket #, violation(s), number of wells, penalty plead, penalty paid, and provide a link to the enforcement action on the EPA Administrative Enforcement Dockets website.
- b. Create template proposed and final orders for the most common types of enforcement actions.
- c. (Desired, but not required) Database administrator with experience in Oracle programming to create queries as needed by the UIC enforcement team.

Desired Skills:

- Basic Excel and Word
- Task and deadline oriented
- Excellent written and verbal communication
- Ability to work independently and on a team

- Comfort taking the initiative to accomplish tasks
- Database manipulation/creation (desired, but not required)

Knowledge/Experience (desired, but not required):

- National Primary Drinking Water Regulations
- Underground Injection Control Regulations

Timeline: Intern will be on board for a minimum of 2 months, maximum of 3 months (there may be an opportunity to extend for a maximum of 6 months, but this is not assured)

Desired hours per week: 24-40 hours (preference will be given to qualified candidates available to work more hours per week).

Desired start date: Negotiable (Note: From the time of acceptance, there will be a 2-4-week period prior to first day of work while paperwork is completed.)

How to Apply: Email your transcripts, resume, cover sheet to Tiffany Cantor, SDWA Enforcement Section Chief, at cantor.tiffany@epa.gov by Friday, April 5, 2019.

For More Information: Tiffany Cantor, SDWA Enforcement Section Chief, at cantor.tiffany@epa.gov

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