MOTOR EQUIPMENT OPERATOR I AND BUS DRIVER

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is primarily skilled work in the operation of trucks, loaders, sweepers and other motorized equipment but also involves the safe transportation of persons in the skilled operation of any motor vehicle defined as a bus by the Vehicle and Traffic Law. Work performed in a vehicle with a seating capacity (adult) of less than sixteen shall be known as a Bus Driver I and work performed in any other passenger vehicle shall be known as a Bus Driver II. When motorized equipment work is not available, employees in this class perform routine unskilled or semi-skilled laboring duties and may lead a small number of laborers in laboring duties. Supervision is received from a higher level position within the service in which the positions exist. During periods of emergency work, employees in this class may be required to work at other than normal working hours. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Motor Equipment Operator:

Operates trucks for hauling materials, carrying men and equipment to jobs, carting debris for disposal, etc.;

Operates trucks and snowplows for clearing snow and the spreading of salt and sand;

Operates a loader, sweeper, mower, compressor and other equipment in the construction and maintenance of roads, sidewalks, culverts, bridges, drainage systems, park and recreation areas, etc., upon assignment;

Performs routine equipment maintenance duties and makes minor mechanical repairs;

Performs a variety of unskilled and semi-skilled laboring tasks as required;

May lead in or direct others in laboring activities.

Bus Driver:

Operates a bus, station wagon or other passenger vehicle used as a bus on regular scheduled runs, random destination service and/or to and from special events;

Checks bus to assure safe operation and use before each run or schedule;

Provides service information and physically assists passengers in need of help;

Maintains order and discipline among passengers as necessary;

Performs simple routine duties such as bus washing and cleaning, gassing, lubricating, oil and oil filter changing and similar maintenance duties.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Good knowledge of the operation and the safety factors related to the operation of trucks and other common motorized equipment including the operation of buses; ability to operate a truck under road and field conditions; demonstrated skill in operating a passenger vehicle used as a bus; ability to use common laboring tools and common hand tools used in carpentry, masonry, painting and mechanics; ability to understand and carry out oral and written instructions; mechanical aptitude.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Two (2) years of licensed driving experience.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: The appointing authority shall have the responsibility for verification of the appropriate driver's license for the size and kind of vehicle(s) being operated, as well as ensuring that any additional requirements imposed by Article 19-A of the Vehicle and Traffic Law as specified in Part 6 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, are met.