

PUBLIC UTILITIES RATES ANALYST 3

KIND OF WORK

Technical lead work and analysis of complex Minnesota public utility rates and service tariffs.

NATURE AND PURPOSE

This employee is responsible for supervising junior staff members in the analysis of rate petition evaluations and for performing more complex analyses. The emphasis is on determining utility structures of rates and relative charges for various classes of customers and preparing rates recommendations for the Public Service Commission. Supervision is received from the Public Utilities Rates Evaluation Supervisor through conferences and review of written reports.

EXAMPLES OF WORK (A position may not include all the work examples given, nor does the list include all that may be assigned.)

Analyzes complex rate petition evaluations and establishes specific utility rate recommendations.

Supervises junior staff members in determining and analyzing variations in rate structures and prepares recommended rate structures.

Prepares staff testimony, reviews staff-prepared cross-examination questions, and participates in hearings.

Prepares recommendations to the Public Service Commission where required on complex or sensitive consumer complaints with broad policy impact.

Defines rules, regulations, and schedules required for initial and subsequent filings of utility rates and service rules.

Reviews staff prepared draft rules, regulations, standards, and practices for consumer services and identify significant variations from standards.

Performs related work as required.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES REQUIRED

Knowledge of:

Thorough knowledge of utility rate analysis.

Thorough knowledge of the rules, regulations, decisions, practices, and procedures of the Public Service Commission and the Federal Power Commission.

Ability to:

Establish and maintain harmonious relationships with fellow workers, public utility companies, and the general public.

Maintain knowledge of developments in the fields of utility regulation and of current economic and technical factors affecting utilities.

Develop rules, regulations, and standards pertaining to consumer service.

Testify before the Public Service Commission as an expert witness on utility rate matters.

Supervise lower level staff in analyzing and organizing data.

Prepare and present clear and concise written and oral reports.

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Rev.:
Ckd.: 11/92 Rates Analyst,
Senior

T.C.: 4/84
Former Title(s): Public Utilities