

Job Opening: Metering Tech I Trainee (Connect/Disconnect)

Location: Hulbert, OK

Company: LREC Electric Cooperative

Employment Type: Full-Time

Lake Region Electric Cooperative is seeking applicants for a **Metering Technician Trainee** to join our team. This is an immediate opening, and applicants of all skill levels are encouraged to apply. Preference will be given to candidates with electric cooperative experience and/or metering experience.

Job Summary

The Metering Technician Trainee installs, removes, energizes, deenergizes, Inspects, maintains, tests, and makes repairs on meters and metering equipment. This position may require building of meter equipment such as loops, CT's, PT's and other equipment necessary for metering of electric. This role ensures accuracy, compliance with regulatory standards, safety adherence, and efficient field operations. Employees often experience intense pressure in dealing with people, in meeting job deadlines or in handling unexpected job assignments.

Key Responsibilities

- Must have the ability to read maps and to navigate from provided information.
- Installs meters, assigned. Prepares or assists in preparation of meter reading equipment for the meter reading department.
- Disconnect delinquent meters in the field as required.
- Prepare service orders for next day.
- Maintains familiarity with Cooperative's rates, policies and procedures and is able to explain them to members.
- Performs as backup during Meter Technician II absence.
- Receives questions/discusses meter reading information with member, checks information, verifies accuracy or discrepancy.
- Identifies and reports safety hazards, vandalism, meter tampering and other problems spotted in the field.

- Submits work order requests for problems in the field for repair and replacement of LREC electrical components.
- The performance of various duties in a manner which contributes to efficient operation of the business and creates a favorable image for the Cooperative.
- Undertakes special office projects, as assigned.
- Protects confidentiality of information.
- Performs other duties, as assigned.
- Must be interested in providing assistance to member/consumers, originating actions needed to achieve desired results, and consistently seeking and utilizing information which enhances job performance.
- Reports to: Meter Tech Supervisor, keeping him/her informed about work in progress, completed work, and informing him/her of potential problems.

Minimum Requirements:

- High School Diploma or GED with specialized courses in electricity/electronics and typing are preferred.
- Valid Oklahoma Driver's License with excellent driving record.
- Ability to provide **three professional letters of recommendation**.
- Must submit an **Oklahoma Motor Vehicle Operator Report** upon conditional job offer.
- Pre-employment **drug screening** required; employment is contingent upon results.

Preferred Experience:

- Six months of electric utility metering work experience.
- Previous work experience in electrical/electronic systems and controls.

Key Attributes & Skills:

- Strong working knowledge of metering systems, electrical principles, and safety practices.
- Proficiency with computerized metering systems and data collection tools.
- Strong problem-solving and analytical skills.

- Excellent communication and customer service skills.
- Ability to prioritize tasks and manage multiple projects.
- Attention to detail and commitment to accuracy.
- Working knowledge of applicable codes, regulations, and standards.

Working Conditions:

- Ability to work outdoors in varied weather conditions.
- May require lifting, climbing, and working in confined spaces.
- Involves working near live electricity and handling equipment to energize and de-energize power lines or equipment. Safety gear must be worn when required.
- This position offers the opportunity to work in a safety-focused, team-oriented environment.

Education and Advancement Opportunities

LREC offers potential for growth and advancement with completion of meter technician training program and 4 years of experience.

LREC Electric Cooperative is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

LREC offers a generous compensation and benefits package including Annual Leave and Sick Leave, Major Medical Health Insurance, 401K and Retirement & Security package.

Applications will be accepted through January 16, 2026.

LREC is a short distance to four major metro areas (Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Ft. Smith, and Fayetteville). We are in the foothills of the Ozarks, where there are all kinds of outdoor activities like 4-wheeling, hiking, hunting, fishing, etc. We have access to the Illinois river, Ft. Gibson and Tenkiller reservoirs for water recreation. Tahlequah has a state university in the heart of our area and is the capital of the Cherokee Nation. We have one of the top-rated school districts in Oklahoma (#8 Ft. Gibson according to niche.com). LREC is 1.5 hours from 2 commercial airports. Additionally, multiple hospitals, great restaurants, movie theaters and other entertainment venues are in the immediate area.