**JOB DESCRIPTION**

Under the immediate direction of supervisor, the Equipment Operator safely operates plant mobile heavy equipment to include; yard loader, excavator, water truck, 40 ton haul truck, etc.

**Essential Functions**

* Must be able to or willing to learn to operate all other mobile equipment, including: yard loader, excavator, water truck, loader, haul truck and crane.
* Assist in plant repairs and clean-up.
* Perform pre-shift safety inspection on equipment.
* Perform preventative maintenance and service mobile equipment. Report need repairs to shop personnel.
* Responsible for good housekeeping of equipment.
* Adhere to MSHA and plant safety rules and regulations.
* Perform duties with minimum supervision.

**Minimum Education & Experience**

* High school diploma or GED equivalent required.
* Prefer 3-5 years’ experience operating heavy mobile equipment.
* Prefer experience with wheel loader
* Prefer experience loading customer trucks.

**Knowledge, Skills and Abilities**

* Must be able to read equipment operating manual.
* Must be able to complete pre-shift inspection report.
* Must be able to communicate in English on radio or CB
* Possess basic mathematical aptitude to complete daily reports.
* Must be able to wear all required safety equipment
* Must be able to perform duties in a safe manner.
* Must be able to read and interpret gauges.
* Proven ability to work in a TEAM environment.

**Physical Requirements**

* Must have good hand/eye coordination and be able to operate hand/foot controls
* Possess good vision to perceive depth at close range and distance up to 150 feet.
* Must be able to limb on and off equipment to operate and service
* Must be able to bend, stoop, climb and reach around mobile equipment
* Capable of lifting up to 50 lbs.
* Must be able to sit and operate equipment for long periods up to 10+ hours per day.
* Must work outside in all-weather conditions consistent with extreme ambient temperatures: heat, cold, wetness, dryness, dust, and noisy conditions.
* Must be able to work at various heights.

**Working Conditions**

* Larger equipment is typical air conditioned. There will be times when outside assignments that may require periods of work in all weather conditions: heat, cold, wet or dry. May have exposure to dust, sand, gravel, diesel exhaust, etc.