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25. Description of Major Duties and Responsibilities (see attached)

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### I. INTRODUCTION

The incumbent directs the operation of the Quality Control Laboratory located in the Soil, Water and Environmental Branch, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Division (NREAD), Assistant Chief of Staff, Facilities, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, North Carrolina. The mission of the laboratory is to provide professional, technical and laboratory support to the following environmental functions; monitoring and related reporting of wastewater and potable water tireatments; analysis and identification of hazardous wastes/materials during disposal cycle; monitoring of miscellaneous sources of industrial wastewater; monitoring of surface and ground water quality; and the management of toxic and hazardous materials/substances. This position is nonsensitive for security clearance purposes.

### II. DUTIES.

Provides direct supervision to Physical Science Technician, GS-1311-7, PD #10601; two Physical Science Technicians, GS-1311-6, PD #s 10023 and 10022; and Physical Science Technician, GS-1311-5, PD #10021.

Directs the day-to-day operation of the Lab and performs administrative and supervisory duties required to manage personnel, equipment and supplies; to prepare reports and correspondence, and to develop budget submissions in accordance with applicable per sonnel and administrative regulations and requirements.

Keeps abreast of current regulatory requirements and laboratory technology and makes appropriate recommendations for replacement and upgrading of existing equipment and facilities as required for efficient, effective operation of the Lab. Implements adopted trecommendations.

Develops, adapts and modifies laboratory procedures for sample collection, preparation and testing as required by applicable  ${\bf r}$ -egulatory requirements and quality control procedures.

Assists in the preparation and implementation of the Soil and Water Conservation Plan Section of the Base Long Range Natural Resource Management Plan.

Implements water quality monitoring requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act and Clean Water Act, and prepares reports of test results and related findings and interpretations for submission to Base, Marine Corps, Navy, State and Federal authorities. Serve: as point of contact on routine matters dealing with drinking water and wastewater quality monitoring and reporting.

Provides professional and technical assistance and training to base utilities personnel on matters related to water quality momitoring; quality control procedures; and pretreatment and disposal of industrial waste.

Develops and coordinates implementation of the Waste Analysis Elan applicable to the management and disposal of hazardous material:s/weste in accordance with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

## III. FACTORS

# 1. Knowledge required by position:

- Professional knowledge is required of chemical principles, thecries, practices and established methodology sufficient to perform thest of hazardous materials, potable and wastewater products generated at the base.
- Professional knowledge is required to operate, calibrate and maintain laboratory instruments such as atomic absorption spectrophotometer, total organic analyzer, spectrophotometer, specific ion meteers and other instruments used to conduct laboratory tests.
- Practical knowledge of Federal and State laws and regulations relating to treatment of potable and wastewater and disposal of toxicand hazardous wastes and substances.
- Professional knowledge of laboratory operations including ssche duling if necessary to implement a monitoring program.
- Practical knowledge of the operation of water treatment, sewage treatment and steam generation plants and related pollution abætem ent/pre-treatment facilities.
- 2. Supervisory Controls. The supervisor assigns work to be performed by indicating overall objectives. The incumbent develop s methods and procedures, establishes priorities, assigns work to be accomplished and ensures that the flow and quality of work performed is maintained. Work is not routinely subjected to review for the chanical accuracy. Supervisor is notified when violations of environmental standards are identified. Written reports and special assignments are reviewed by supervisor when completed relative to compliance with over all objectives and applicable regulations and guidelines.

## 3. Guidelines

- The chemist selects field and laboratory methods and proceedures required to implement Navy, State and EPA monitoring programs ifrom federal registers, Standard Methods for Water and Waste, EPA Methods Manual, American Society for Testing Materials, EPA Analytical Quality Control and Navy instructions.
- The above covers specific established procedures for performing the every day testing and analyses; but the guidelines for imp lementing new methods are not completely applicable. The chemist us esjudgment to evaluate new methods and to make adaptions and mod ifications to solve specific problems. The chemist uses the manual s and instructions to determine laboratory equipment needs.

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- 4. Complexity: The chemist is responsible for implementing intricate monitoring program as required by the Clean Water Act, Safe Drinking Water Act and Navy and Marine Corps instructions. The chemist plans, conducts and supervises testing of potable and wastewater, and hazardous material by assigning the various steps of pretreatment, sample size, test methods and procedures. The steps or procedures may be lengthy, lasting five days and running into the weekends.
- 5. Scope and Effect. The chemist generates data used for plant control to assure environmental laws are met by the base. The chemist reports through the chain of command on base environmental violations to EPA, State, Naval and Marine Corps authorities. Results of the test are used to adjust water, steam and sewage plants operations to ensure base compliance with the Clean Water Act, Safe Drinking Water Act and other environmental regulations. Test results are tabulated and entered in Naval computers. Computer reports are submitted to EPA and State where they become public records.
- 6. Personal Contact. The personal contacts are with management personnel of the Utilities Branch, Preventive Medicine Officer (Naval Hospital), and with outside agencies such as the EPA, State of North Carolina Water Quality officials, Naval Environmental Support Office and Naval Engineering Command.
- 7. Purpose of Contact. The contacts are for the discussion of environmental regulations to relay data, and report violations of federal and state regulations. Contacts include discussion of methods and procedure changes resulting from EPA permit modification and implementation of Safe Drinking Water Act. Additional contacts are with Navy, EPA and State personnel who inspect the laboratory.
- 8. Physical Demands. The chemist's work involves prolonged standing.
- 9. Work Environment. The chemist's work is in the office and in the laboratory where there is exposure to hazardous chemicals and biological materials including cancer causing agents. The chemist is required to have an annual physical examination, possess a valid government driver's license and operate sample motor boat.

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