



FACILITIES MAINTENANCE MANAGER

(CEA AGRICULTURE FACILITY)

Job Category: **CEA Greenhouse, Packhouse, Service facilities (Interior and Exterior)**

Location: **Exeter, RI**

Schedule: **Full Time**

Reports to: COO

Job Details

Position Overview

Facilities Maintenance Manager to join our ambitious team. In this role you will supervise all facility preventive maintenance, failure avoidance, service calls, code compliance, partner relations, and responding to emergencies in our CEA (Controlled Environment Agriculture) high tech greenhouse environment. Building assets include Greenhouse, Service corridor, packhouse, and outside areas. This midlevel management role is an essential part of the RIGrows operations management team and reports to the COO.

This job spans over several trades, and therefore the selected candidate will have extensive training and support from partners of all areas. In other words, it is a significant responsibility, but you are never alone. A strong team corporation across functions is an essential part of our culture.

About RIGrows

Rhode Island Grows is an advanced controlled environment produce company with headquarter in Exeter, Rhode Island. We are under construction with a 25-acre greenhouse to hydroponically grow tomatoes for grocery stores in the Northeastern United States and plan to build additional 13 equal size greenhouses over the next 5-8 years, to about 350 acres, with potential for further growth. Therefore, this role has significant career development potential for the right individual.

Key responsibilities include

- Oversee routine plumbing, electrical and mechanical maintenance tasks
- Support sensor, irrigation, shading technology, and general greenhouse systems as they tie into our greenhouse management system
- Oversee all preventative, predictive and urgent maintenance interior, exterior and around our facilities, as well as contingency plans in the event of emergencies
- Ensure equipment, tools, and spare parts are available and fully functional when needed
- Mobile equipment charged (and maintained and secured when not in use)
- Responsible for organization and structure of the entire library of equipment manuals
- Contingency manual, and training for all critical operational equipment and procedures

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- Follow tool control and inventory program to support routine maintenance, including maintaining healthy and contracted service agreements with RIGrows vendors.
- Ensure facility is adhering to our safe and healthy guidelines by performing various housekeeping tasks.
- Oversee a small but efficient and always motivated maintenance team

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities Required

- 4+ years' experience in a complex manufacturing environment. Food related manufacturing preferred. (if experience in the greenhouse industry it's a plus)
- Minimum 2+ years' work experience as supervisor and management experience.
- Plumbing skills (welding experience is a must, understanding of irrigation systems is a strength to this position)
- Knowledge of Electrical installations and functionality.
- Ability to organize and structure general maintenance processes, methods, and ability to execute preventive workflows
- OSHA certifications and experience preferred
- Team player with positive and proactive working attitude, comfortable in a fast-paced start-up environment where dynamic change is part of our daily routine
- Familiar with Energy Management System/programming and fire alarm systems
- High school diploma or general education degree (GED)
- Proven record of providing excellent internal and external relations service
- Proven leadership ability

Working Conditions

- Work environment is a greenhouse with average temperature of 80°F, and much warmer during the summer months. However, also outside the greenhouse facilities and in the service and packhouse areas which are not under glass and therefore normal temperature
- Must be physically capable, as secure frequent lifting and holding will occur, however always following the safety guide lines.
- Position requires hearing, talking, smell, taste, sitting, kneeling, standing, walking, and bending, squatting, and crawling on a regular basis

RIGrows offers a competitive compensation package & development

- Competitive salary
- Medical, Dental, Vision, Insurance
- 401K
- Paid time off and holiday pay
- Employee Engagement & Recognition Programs
- RIGrows value continued learning and career development and training
- Opportunities for career advancement as RIGrows evolves as the major CEA facility in the Northeast United States

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