



## **Facilities and Maintenance Technician – Chicago, IL**

### **Job Description**

Gotham Greens is seeking an exceptional Facilities and Maintenance Technician to address the maintenance operations of the company's 75,000 sf., state-of-the-art greenhouse and packing facility in Pullman, Chicago.

The Facilities and Maintenance Technician will be responsible for the overall inspection, maintenance, repairs, upgrades, and improvements of our 75,000 sf. greenhouse and food packaging facility in Pullman, Chicago. The position is nonunion; it will require performing regular maintenance and repairs of the greenhouse structure, production and manufacturing equipment, electrical, plumbing-PVC, automation, and packaging equipment. The technician must inspect, maintain, and repair manufacturing/production related equipment, building deficiencies, and ensure optimal performance of greenhouse and production system equipment.

This is a hands-on role requiring technical and applied knowledge of integrated mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems, with a focus on irrigation systems, greenhouse maintenance, and the installation and repair of production and manufacturing equipment. The ideal candidate will possess the keen ability to identify and address maintenance and mechanical failures of manufacturing and production equipment and structural/building deficiencies. This position requires the applied knowledge of mechanical installations, servicing, dismantling, rebuilding, and maintenance of greenhouse, production and manufacturing equipment, machinery, automation control systems, and knowledge of commercial building HVAC, PVC plumbing, installations and repair of pumps, and electrical systems.

### **Summary of Responsibilities**

- Conduct maintenance and repairs of company production, manufacturing and irrigation equipment, and the building; proactively addresses areas of concern to minimize unplanned downtime, increases equipment efficiency, and maintains a clean, safe work environment compliant with OSHA standards
- Perform installation and repairs of equipment, plumbing/PVC, electrical, carpentry, painting, HVAC, and general repairs.
- Analyze and troubleshoot equipment, conduct repairs, modifications, and predictive/preventative maintenance on building and facilities equipment (HVAC, freezers, exhaust fans, pumps, plumbing fixtures, and systems); spackles, paints, and repairs interior and exterior demarcations.
- Utilize strong mechanical and electrical aptitude skills in order to complete assignments (familiarity with electrical relays, contactors, VFDs, 3-phase motors, and the ability to read electrical drawings a plus)
- Comply with established State and Federal Regulations, Environmental, OSHA, and Safety programs.
- Develop preventive maintenance SOPs and methods of record keeping
- Operate, maintain, and repair tools and other various equipment; organize and manage all supplies and spare parts inventory; capable of receiving materials and utilizing hand operated dolly carts (forklift license a plus).
- Perform Daily, Weekly, Monthly, and Annual inspections and checklists for maintenance and food safety plans.



- Access and minimize the use of Third Party Contractors (TPCs) for repairs; negotiate related contracts; schedule TPC when approved and assist in the completion and inspection of on-site repairs including annual and seasonal inspections
- Complete routine service requests within 24 hours
- Assist in maintaining outstanding interior and exterior facility curb appeal including parking lot upkeep and maintenance
- Regular communication with management on maintenance schedules

#### **Qualifications:**

- **Prior experience as a mechanic maintaining and repairing production and manufacturing equipment a MUST**
- High school graduate or equivalent trade school credentials
- 4-7 years of experience performing maintenance, installation, and repair of manufacturing and production equipment, including 2-4 years as a Facility Maintenance Technician, or the demonstrated equivalent combination of education and experience in a plant and manufacturing facility
- Familiarity with reading and interpreting blue prints, schematics, and one-line drawings
- Must have experience and be able to perform PVC and plumbing repairs, high- and low-voltage electrical maintenance and troubleshooting, HVAC, carpentry, and painting
- Experience with material handling and construction, advanced knowledge of power tools, familiarity with various measuring, diagnostic and testing instruments to help provide energy efficient solutions
- Ability to perform under minimal supervision and exercise independent judgment in problem resolutions
- Passionate commitment to company vision, high attention to detail; highly organized and an entrepreneurial team player who can multitask
- Appreciation to principles of sustainable agriculture and food, experience in specialty food, agriculture, natural and organic CPG a plus
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office Applications (Outlook, Word, and Excel)
- Must be able to have a flexible work schedule and work off-shift, holidays, and weekends as needed.
- This facility operates seven days a week. Facilities Technician will be expected to respond to off-hours requests for critical repairs and emergencies
- Understand and comply with company policies

#### **Compensation:**

- Competitive compensation commensurate with experience
- Health Benefits
- Competitive PTO and Holidays

The Facility Technician will report to the Plant Manager and will work closely with all supervisors and managers. The Facility Technician will coordinate with the Plant Manager and Senior Grower to maintain greenhouse facility and equipment in optimal



working condition. In addition, the Facility Technician will be responsible for maintaining data and logs related to proper maintenance and operation of all greenhouse equipment. Facility Technician must be available to work holidays and weekends based on demands of the business and be on call 24x7 for emergencies.

**ABOUT GOTHAM GREENS:** Gotham Greens is a worldwide pioneer in the field of urban agriculture and a leading regional producer of hyper-local, premium-quality, greenhouse grown vegetables and herbs. Gotham Greens' pesticide-free produce is grown using ecologically sustainable methods in technologically-sophisticated, 100% renewable electricity powered, climate-controlled urban rooftop greenhouses. Gotham Greens provides its diverse retail, restaurant, and institutional customers with reliable, year-round, local supply of produce grown under the highest standards of food safety and environmental sustainability. The company has built and operates over 170,000 square feet of technologically advanced, urban rooftop greenhouses across 4 facilities in New York City and Chicago. Gotham Greens was founded in 2009 in Brooklyn, New York and is privately held.

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