DEFINITION OF CLASS:
This is full performance level, semi-skilled field service technician work installing, modifying, repairing, troubleshooting, loading and testing of new and existing traffic control and monitoring devices, cables and connections, controls and equipment. The work involves multiple trades such as welding, carpentry, masonry, operation of heavy equipment, and basic electrical and electronics work. Contacts include other employees within the work unit and various contractors, primarily for the purpose of exchanging information. Service or assistance to the public is limited and is incidental to the purpose of the work.

An incumbent in this class assists Traffic Signal Technicians by performing construction of traffic control and monitoring devices, installation of devices requiring basic electrical and electronics training, and basic field maintenance and troubleshooting of traffic signals and other traffic control devices and related equipment. The routine work is performed independently; assistance is provided for new or different assignments. Work is reviewed for effectiveness and efficiency. Procedures and guidelines for performing the work are established; an incumbent selects and applies the appropriate procedures depending upon the work assigned. The complexity of the work involves making decisions from among various choices concerning the order and sequence of construction, maintenance and troubleshooting work tasks, based upon training and prior experience. The scope of the work involves the completion of a portion of a work program of broader scope; the work affects the accuracy, reliability or acceptability of further technical work in the provision of safely constructed and properly functioning traffic control and monitoring devices. The work environment is primarily outdoors or in a shop environment, where an incumbent is exposed to changing weather conditions, dirt, dust and noise. There is occasional considerable hazard from energized circuits and working from mobile aerial equipment; protective gear and equipment are employed to minimize the risks. The work occasionally requires medium physical effort such as stooping and crouching, pushing and pulling cable, work in uncomfortable positions, recurring lifting of objects weighing up to fifty (50) pounds and occasional lifting of objects weighing up to one hundred (100) pounds.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES: (Illustrative Only)
- Replaces, repairs, tests and modifies some electrical elements of traffic control systems, circuits and devices.
- Installs wiring, conduit, controller cabinets, handboxes, poles, signal heads, and other electrical devices necessary for operation of traffic signals.
- Conducts routine field and bench tests and preventive maintenance tasks on various traffic control devices, correcting malfunctions or notifying others of malfunctions so that the malfunctions may be corrected.
- Installs cameras, variable message signs, fiber optic cable and telemetry cable.
• Performs a variety of trades work such as electrical; welding; fabrication; masonry (brick work and concrete bases and pole foundations); carpentry (building sheathing, scaffolding, storage bins, pallets and concrete forms); painting; and conduit and cable installation.

• Performs construction work and operates heavy machinery (i.e., concrete saw, trencher, pavement breaker, dump truck, bobcat, line/pole/auger truck) associated with the installation, modification, repair or removal of traffic control systems and devices.

• Installs sixty (60) foot wood poles and thirty (30) foot two (2)-ply steel poles.

• Performs related duties as required.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

• Knowledge of construction and installation techniques for traffic control devices, and basic maintenance and troubleshooting procedures for traffic control devices, circuits, controllers, etc.

• Knowledge of regulations, codes and procedures which apply to this work such as National Electrical Code, Miss Utilities, Maryland High Voltage Act.

• Knowledge of procedures and techniques used in the work of this class and common to skilled trades such as electrical, carpentry, masonry, and welding.

• Knowledge of procedures for the operation of heavy equipment such as concrete saw, trencher, dump truck, bucket truck, etc.

• Skill in the use of hand and power tools used in the work of this class.

• Ability to work from drawings, sketches, specifications and work orders and prepare material lists.

• Ability to frequently lift items weighing up to fifty (50) pounds, and occasionally lift objects up to one hundred (100) pounds.

• Ability to perform work inside and outside year round, to work in uncomfortable positions for long periods, and to work at heights.

• Ability to wear and use protective clothing and equipment for protection when exposed to dust, fumes, and other irritants or when working at heights.

• Free from colorblindness or the ability to pass a County administered test of recognition of colors commonly used in traffic control device installation and maintenance.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Experience: One (1) year of experience as a Traffic Field Service Technician I or two (2) years of experience in the construction, installation and maintenance of traffic control devices.

Education: Completion of high school or High School Certificate of completion recognized in the State of Maryland.

Equivalency: An equivalent combination of education and experience may be substituted.

LICENSE:

• Possession and maintenance at all times of a valid Class B (or equivalent) Commercial Driver's License (CDL) from the applicant's state of residence, with airbrakes endorsement.

PROBATIONARY PERIOD:

Individuals appointed to this class will be required to serve a probationary period of six (6) months, during which time performance will be carefully evaluated. Continuation in this class will be contingent upon successful completion of the probationary period.

MEDICAL EXAM PROTOCOL: Core Exam.*

*Pre-placement drug/alcohol screen recommended.