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MSHA hiring new mine inspectors for positions in Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas *Applicant screenings scheduled in Arlington, Texas, and Little Rock, Ark.*

ARLINGTON, Va. – The U.S. Department of Labor’s Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is continuing its efforts to hire new metal and nonmetal general and electrical mine inspectors by conducting two applicant screenings – in Arlington, Texas and Little Rock, Ark. – for positions in Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas.

Interested citizens should register and apply online through MSHA’s Web site prior to the June 25 deadline.

“MSHA is seeking motivated professionals dedicated to helping our agency protect the health and safety of working miners,” said Richard E. Stickler, assistant secretary of labor for mine safety and health. “We’re looking for qualified people who will continue to make safety the number one priority for the mining industry.”

Conducted under MSHA’s ongoing Mine Inspector Career Training Program, the screenings – to include tests and interviews – will be held in Arlington on July 9 and 10 and in Little Rock on July 13 and 14.

To register, go to www.msha.gov and click on “Jobs at MSHA.” Select vacancy announcement number MSHA-07-063-TXAR and follow the instructions for submitting an application. Reservations will be made on a first-come, first-served basis, which will be determined by the dates applications are received and processed through the Web site.

Each applicant should indicate the locations in which he/she is interested in applying and whether or not he/she is claiming veteran’s preference. Incomplete applications that do not include phone numbers, addresses, and information on citizenship and basic qualification requirements cannot be considered. Each applicant should bring photo identification and a complete resume to the screening.

All applicants will be notified of test results. Selected candidates will participate in a formal two-year training program, should be able to perform arduous duties, and can expect a starting annual salary of about \$43,000. In addition to a 40-hour workweek with generous annual, sick and holiday leave, selected candidates are offered health, life and long-term care insurance; a stable retirement program, including a tax-deferred savings plan; travel reimbursement; and flexible spending accounts for medical and dental expenses.

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