Chief Electrician

JOB OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT

Announcement #	27-321-01EXOC		
Title, Series, Grade, (Code):	Chief Electrician – WM-9940-15 (321)		
Base Salary:	$69,672 Per annum **A recruitment incentive is authorized for eligible selectees and requires a service agreement. Please visit:** https://sealiftcommand.com/recruitment-bonus **for details. Incentive is paid as a lump sum at the beginning of employment with the Command. VEOA candidates and Annuitants selected for employment are not eligible for recruitment incentives.**		
Type of Appointment:	Excepted Service Career-Conditional		
Opening Date:	October 1, 2026	Closing Date:	Open continuously with periodic cutoffs
Location:	Military Sealift Command (MSC) Vessels Worldwide		
Who May Apply:	All United States citizens and current Military Sealift Command Civil Service Mariner (CIVMAR) eligible to apply under the Veterans Employment Opportunities Act (VEOA). Active Duty Service Members (ADSMs) must submit a certification (i.e., statement of service) at the time of application which certifies that the service member is expected to be discharged or released from active duty service under honorable conditions not later than 120 days after the date the certification is submitted. Relocation expenses are not authorized for this position.		
Duties:	The Chief Electrician is a Civil Service Mariner (CIVMAR) employed by the Navy to serve the Military Sealift Command (MSC) onboard naval auxiliaries and hybrid-manned warships worldwide, in peace and war. MSC exists to support the joint warfighter across the full spectrum of military operations. MSC provides on-time logistics, strategic sealift, as well as specialized missions anywhere in the world, contested or uncontested environments. The Electrician is responsible for maintaining, operating and repairing the ship's electrical system, machinery and equipment. This includes but is not limited to the ship's service generators, emergency generators, main and auxiliary switchboards, emergency switchboards, lighting and power distribution panels, power and control transformers, motor controllers and soft start controllers, dial telephone and sound powered phone systems, 1MC and associated loudspeaker and hailing systems, internal and external lighting circuits, general		

	alarm systems and batteries, ground detection systems, metering and monitoring circuits and the various electric motors found onboard. The Electrician must be proficient in the use of common power tools and light machine shop equipment such as drill presses, pedestal grinders and arbor presses, etc.; and in the performance of fire drills and damage control drills, and in taking initiative to perform emergency drills as required. When assigned to a ship the Electrician must have a thorough understanding of special characteristics of each ship's electrical system and special features that may be present for use in emergencies. The Electrician is also responsible for supervising any Second Electricians that may be assigned to the ship. The Electrician assists, observes and performs "Quality Assurance" on work done by shipyard or other shore side repair people, as directed. The Electrician is proficient and skilled in the use of all common shipboard hand tools such as but not limited to; wrenches, pliers, chisels, hammers, saws, hand grinders, files, pneumatic and hydraulically powered tools, chain hoists and hydraulic jacks, etc. The Electrician effectively uses these tools in the repair, maintenance and installation of new parts to shipboard electrical equipment and machinery. The Electrician is capable of researching part's information and using the ship's supply system to obtain any repair parts required to complete the job. The incumbent prepares work lists and job orders for subordinates and assists the Chief Engineer in drafting voyage repair requests. The Electrician maintains accurate machinery history reports in the shipboard SAMM system. Carries out EEO policies and communicates support of these policies to subordinates. Ensures continuing application and compliance with EEO laws, regulations and policies. Performs all other duties as assigned. Everything in this Position Description is considered to be an essential function of this position. Performs all other duties as assigned.
Minimum Eligibility Requirements:	Must be a United States Citizen of at least 18 years of age and possess and maintain a valid: 1. U.S. Regular Passport (also referred to as a tourist or blue passport) with minimum of ten (10) months of expiration date. 2. Transportation Workers Identification Card (TWIC) and/or Department (DOD) Common Access Card (CAC) with a minimum of ten (10) months remaining of expiration.

	3. United States Coast Guard (USCG) Medical Certificate without any Limitations/Restrictions, with a minimum of ten (10) months remaining of expiration date. 4. United States Coast Guard (USCG) Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC), with a minimum of ten (10) months remaining of expiration date with the following endorsement(s): A United States Coast Guard (USCG) License/Merchant mariner Credential (MMC) endorsed as Qualified Member of the Engine Department (QMED): • Electrician, • Electrician/Refrigerating Engineer, OR • Any Engine Rating ("Any" indicates mariner holds ALL Unlicensed Engine Department Ratings, i.e. Fireman/Watertender, Oiler, Junior Engineer, Electrician/Refrigerating Engineer AND Pumpman/Machinist). 4. STCW Certificate endorsed as: • Rating Forming Part of an Engineering Watch (RFPEW). • Able Seafarer Engine.
Evaluation Criteria:	**Applicants who meet the Minimum Eligibility Requirements described above will be further evaluated. Documented knowledge, skills, and abilities, education, training, and awards contained in the application package and resume will be reviewed and rated to determine the degree to which applicants possess the required knowledge, skills, and abilities listed below that are essential to perform the duties and responsibilities of the position for which applicants are being considered.** 1. Knowledge and skill in the use of electrical meters, test instruments and electrical troubleshooting equipment to properly maintain, repair and operate equipment and machinery. 2. Skill in the use of hand tools and shipboard power tools. 3. Skill in the use of and the ability to read and interpret technical manuals, blue prints and electrical schematics. 4. Ability to plan, organize, communicate and supervise the work of others and demonstrated skill in the ability to use common MSC computer applications such as MS-Office, SAMM, LogBook, ShipClip, etc.

	To earn the highest rating possible, you are encouraged to submit detailed information of the knowledge, skills, and abilities listed above. **Related MSC, military, and/or commercial experience, etc., will also be part of the rating process.**
Conditions of Employment:	1. CIVMAR positions are subject to drug urinalysis testing. As the laws for marijuana usage become legal for some states, it is still illegal at the Federal level and will have the same impact on suitability and security as it did before. 2. Able to obtain and maintain security clearance eligibility and assignment to a sensitive position. 3. You will be required as a condition of employment to obtain and maintain a U.S. Special Issuance Passport (also referred to as an official or maroon passport). 4. A CIVMAR who occupies this rating or position while sailing on MSC Government Owned, Government Operated (GOGO) vessels is required to use Fall Protection Arrest System (FPAS) safety equipment in order to carry out essential functions of their rating or position. Therefore, the incumbent is required to maintain a mass body weight of no more than 295 Pounds. 5. Able to successfully pass the physical examinations (arranged by MSC) and maintain MSC medical, dental and mental requirements. Participate in vaccine immunization; including a tuberculosis (TB) screening test is also required. TB screening is not provided at the MSC-arranged medical examination, but can usually be obtained from your personal medical provider or free at any local public health clinic. If you have previously had a positive TB skin test (i.e. a CONVERTER or REACTOR), another skin test is not required. You must instead provide the medical department written proof that you have completed treatment with medicine (i.e. INH), or that you have started treatment with medicine, or that such treatment is not warranted as determined by competent medical authority. 6. Attend and successfully complete all mandatory training courses, including personal survival, which requires the ability to float in the water for a minimum of sixty (60) seconds. 7. Be ready, willing, and able to physically perform the duties of this position worldwide at all times.

	8. Be ready, willing, and able to work in a shipboard environment and wear protective equipment worldwide at all times. 9. Entry-level positions require candidates to pass an English language competency test. 10. Participate in direct deposit/electronic funds transfer as the standard method of payroll payments. 11. Capable of speaking, understanding, reading and writing the English language. ***NOTE:*** a. The tentative offer of employment will be rescinded if the selectee fails to report to any of the scheduled appointments, fails the physical examination, fails the language competency test, fails the drug test, fails to disclose employment information, fails to report to new employee orientation, or is unable to obtain a security clearance. b. On a case-by-case basis, an applicant who accepts a tentative offer of employment will be required to provide a VA Rating Decisions and/or Office of Worker's Compensation Program (OWCP) Scheduled Awards.
How to Apply:	All applications for employment with Military Sealift Command must be submitted through www.sealiftcommand.com/start-the-process. To begin the process you must submit an Information Request Form (IRF). Your IRF submission will create a secure online profile after which you will receive an email to verify your account. Once verified, you will be able to complete the application process. Applications for this position can only be submitted during the announcement open period. Please note the email address you create will be used by the Command to correspond with you. In addition to meeting the minimum conditions of employment, you will be required to **scan and upload .jpg or .pdf** files of the following documents: 1. Front and back of United States Coast Guard Merchant Mariner's Credential (MMC), Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC), United States Coast Guard license, and/or STCW certificate, and U.S. Passport. 2. Relevant professional certificates as applicable for this position i.e. American Culinary Federation (ACF), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Universal, Global

	Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS), Security Plus, etc. 3. If you are a current or former federal government employee, a copy of your most recent Notice of Personnel Action (SF-50). 4. If you served in the U.S. military service, you must provide a copy of your Certificate of Discharge (DD-214) that shows the type of discharge you received. This information is located under the "Character of Service" block of your DD-214. If you are claiming 10 points or higher veteran's preference you must provide supporting documentation such as a completed Application for Preference (SF-15) www.opm.gov/forms/pdf_fill/SF15.pdf. Additional information on veteran's preference is available at http://www.fedshirevets.gov/. You will also be required to provide a copy of the VA Rating Decisions upon accepting the tentative offer of employment. 5. Last five (5) years of performance evaluations (if available) and training certificates applicable to the position you are applying for. 6. Job related honors, awards, and special accomplishments; for example, military, government or recognized professional organizations related to the maritime field and performance awards. **You will be able to upload and store versions of these documents in your secure online profile. NOTE: It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the documents scanned and uploaded are legible. You have the ability to crop and view each document that is uploaded.** **You will not be able to submit an application unless you have uploaded the required documentation as indicated here.** **Applicants may be interviewed prior to being selected for employment.**
How To Contact Us:	If you require technical support, please use the support tab located in the top right corner of the Start the Process page www.sealiftcommand.com/start-the-process. This will generate an email a message for you to submit your issue. Emails will be responded to during business hours M-F 0800 – 1700 CST. If you have any questions regarding the position or to follow up on an application submitted, please email us at civmar@sealiftcommand.com or call our toll-free recruitment hotline at 1-888-891-4072.

NOTE:	**FAILURE TO PROVIDE REQUIRED INFORMATION REQUESTED FOR THIS POSITION WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT YOUR ELIGIBILITY.** Federal job applicants who make a false statement in any part of the application could be turned down for the job, fired after beginning work, or subject to fine, imprisonment (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001), or other disciplinary action. Employment of Federal Civilian Annuitants: Selection of CIVMAR annuitants for MSC positions must be approved by the COMSC Director/Deputy Director, N1 Total Force Management. Annuitants serve at the will of the appointing officer. Benefits Information: In accordance with Section 9902(h) of Title 5, United States Code, annuitants reemployed in the Department of Defense shall receive full annuity and salary upon appointment. They shall not be eligible for retirement contributions or participation in the Thrift Savings Plan, or a supplemental re-determined annuity for the reemployment period. Discontinued service retirement annuitants (i.e. retired under Section 8336(d) (1) or 8414(B) (1) (A) of Title 5, Unites States Code) appointed to the Department of Defense may elect to be subject to retirement provisions of the new appointment as appropriate. (See DoD Instruction 1400.25, Volume 300 at www.dtic.mil/whs/directives.) Annuitants are not eligible for recruitment and retention incentives. **YOU MAY NOT BE HIRED IF YOU FAIL TO REPORT:** 1. Previous security clearance issues (intents to deny or the revocation of security clearances). 2. Debts. 3. Previous felony convictions where actual time was served in jail for more than one (1) year. Any questions relative to this issue should be directed to the CIVMAR Support Center at 866-562-7672.
MILITARY SEALIFT COMMAND IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.	All applicants meeting minimum qualifications will receive consideration without regard to age, race, color, religion, national origin, lawful political affiliation, non-disqualifying disability, marital status, ethnicity, or other personal condition unrelated to the applicant's basic ability to perform satisfactorily. Please visit https://civmar.sealiftcommand.com/eeo for more information. Determinations of whether an accommodation

	is appropriate shall be made by the agency as soon practicable, after the initial application process and shall be made with regard to all applicable statutes and regulations. If assistance is required to complete the application process, interested applicants should call our CIVMAR Support Center at the above number and refer to the "How to Apply" section of this announcement.