

On-Farm Energy Management Outreach Officer

Gateway Research Organization (GRO) is an innovative, producer-driven, non-profit research organization that conducts agricultural research, demonstrations and provides extension services to producers in the Northwest region of Alberta. Work is done in the areas of livestock, forages, cereals, oilseeds, and pulses. GRO is stationed in Westlock, Alberta, which is approximately one hour north of Edmonton.

GRO is seeking a person with a strong agricultural background, **preferably a graduate majoring in renewable energy technologies**. The incumbent must be able to work independently and make informed decisions in an office and field environment. Knowledge of western Canadian agriculture and farming practices is a requirement.

Responsibilities:

- He/She will be expected to acquire a working knowledge of the Farm Energy and Agri-Processing (FEAP) program and On-farm Solar PV program available through Alberta Agriculture and Forestry and serve as a primary contact person in the **Edmonton-Peace region** for the FEAP program.
- Ability to set and work within budgets.
- Organize and conduct demonstrations, tours and workshops in the region to promote on-farm energy management techniques.
- Conduct duties in a professional and friendly manner with minimum daily supervision.
- Provide consultations to agricultural producers in renewable energy options, liaise with local industry, and develop newsletters, articles and other extension materials for social media sites.

Qualifications:

- A degree in agriculture or renewable energy technologies is preferable, however individuals with less education and Ag-industry experience will be considered.
- Communication skills- ability to present information to local producers clearly and effectively.
- Ability to work individually and as a team.
- A clean driver's abstract is required as extensive travel within the region is required (50% Travel and 50% Office).

This is a temporary full-time appointment (1 to 3 years). A comprehensive Health & Dental benefits will be provided.

Competition Deadline- April 23, 2018

Please direct any inquiries to Sandeep Nain at the contact information below, or send a complete resume, including a cover letter, stating qualifications, experience along with expected remuneration.

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