METRO Classification Description

Title: Systems Analyst IV Bargaining Unit: AFSCME 3580

Job Code: 0071 Established: July 2001

Pay Range: 22 Revised: 2007

FLSA Status: Exempt - Professional Computer

Classification Summary:

Provide the most advanced technical information systems support for the organization and/or agency to ensure effective utilization and proper management of programs and systems. This is the highest level in the Systems Analyst job classification.

Supervision Received:

Supervision is received from the Program Supervisor.

Supervision Exercised:

May provide lead direction over lower level System Analysts.

Distinguishing Features:

This is the fourth and highest level of the Systems Analyst job classification. Employees in this classification are experts in the field of information technology. Incumbent is viewed as a knowledgeable resource by others within the department and by external contacts as well. May be asked to lead projects and/or people.

Essential Functions:

An employee in this classification may perform any of the following duties. However, these examples do not include all the specific tasks that an employee may be expected to perform.

- 1. Leads, instructs, directs and checks the work of other systems analysts.
- 2. Tests and debugs programs and systems.
- 3. Rewrites or redesigns programs or systems to correct problems.
- 4. Provides individual and group instruction to clients.
- 5. Participates in evaluating business practices to establish systems design and implementation.
- 6. Defines, develops, analyzes and modifies databases to support applications.
- 7. Responsible for systems quality assurance review.
- 8. May act as project leader for projects with small budgets or limited duration.
- 9. May instruct customers in use of software.

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- 10. May lead the development of systems training material for users, appropriate staff, etc.
- 11. Conducts purchasing activities for equipment and supplies; identifies vendors and solicits bids.
- 12. Prepares documentation for contract approval; may participate in service contract negotiations, research and implement recommendations.

Secondary Functions:

1. Performs other related duties as assigned.

Job Specifications:

Bachelor's Degree and 5-8 years of related professional experience; or any combination of experience and education that provides the applicant with the desired skills, knowledge, and ability required to perform the job.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Possess and apply a comprehensive knowledge to the completion of difficult assignments
- 2. Diverse experience in a variety of operating environments
- 3. Will typically have an advanced professional certification
- 4. Ability to do custom development of a unique and complex nature to satisfy a specific user need
- 5. Ability to work with vendors and external consultants on technical, cost, and quality issues for enterprise applications
- 6. Ability to act as a project manager to resolve specific complicated issues involving a variety of resources
- 7. Extensive understanding of programming languages and technologies upon which Metro systems are based
- 8. Ability to develop specifications and perform custom development to satisfy a specific user need
- 9. Implementation and/or customization capabilities in complex enterprise or departmental applications
- 10. Ability to provide direction to lower level staff, and to coordinate teams of individuals
- 11. Ability to convey complex information training to non-technical staff
- 12. Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing

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Working Conditions:

This position requires the ability to perform those activities necessary to complete the essential functions of the job, either with or without reasonable accommodation. Position requires continuous and/or frequent standing, walking, fingering, talking, repetitive motions of hand/wrists, hearing, and handling. Also requires occasional stooping, crawling, reaching, feeling, and repetitive motions of feet, sitting, bending, kneeling and the ability to lift and/or carry up to 25 pounds.

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