JOB POSTING: J.O. Thomas and Associates Ltd.

Employer Business Profile:

J.O. Thomas and Associates Ltd is a Vancouver based consulting firm providing professional and technical fisheries-related services.

Project:

Area B/H Dockside Monitoring Program (DMP) Pink and Sockeye

Title:

DMP Fishery Observer

Terms of Employment:

- seasonal
- 4-6 weeks; shortened or extended as managed by the quota fishery
- weekday, weekend, day, night, and evening shifts
- must be available through the duration of the fishery

Salary:

\$16.00/hour, overtime applied as required

Anticipated Start Date:

- Required training will take place the last week of July 2011
- Observations begin the first week of August 2011

Location:

Designated landing ports in Metro Vancouver, British Columbia

SKILL REQUIREMENTS

Education:

Degree, diploma, or technical training in natural resource management, biology, zoology, environmental science, aquaculture, conservation management, etc. is preferred but, not limiting.

Credentials (certificates, licenses, memberships, courses, etc.):

DFO Dockside Observer certification is an asset

Experience: Salmon identification

Languages: English

Type of Work Experience:

Commercial fishing industry, fisheries management, fishery technician

Specific Skills:

- Communication with plant and vessel workers
- Identification of Pacific Salmon species
- Observing and reporting work procedures
- Recording data
- Calculating numbers
- Invoicing
- Reporting results

Additional Skills/Character:

- Ability to work and think independently
- Report results efficiently and promptly
- On time

Security:

Basic security clearance and criminal record check

Transportation/Travel Information:

- You must have your own vehicle to use throughout the period of the fishery
- You must have a valid Class IV BC driver's licence

Work Conditions and Physical Capabilities:

Workplace awareness is essential as observations take place in lower mainland fish processing plants located dockside along the Fraser River, False Creek and Burrard Inlet. Fish plants will be fast-paced, loud and in constant motion with water and industrial machinery running including: forklifts, scales, conveyor belts, vessels, pumps, hydraulic lifts, brailing buckets, etc.

It is required that you are able to board vessels dockside noting that tide changes affect the distance of the vessel deck to dock. At times you will be required to work aboard vessels looking over deep holding compartments or onboard freezers.

Long work hours should be expected as observed vessel offloads are affected by many factors. You should expect to be standing and walking throughout the duration of each DMP validation.

You will need to lift and handle salmon for identification and counting.

Essential Skills:

Reading text, numeracy, clean writing, oral communication

HOW TO APPLY

Please send your expression of interest and resume to chanf@jothomas.com

Deadline for applications: July 17, 2011