

PHYSICAL DEMANDS DESCRIPTION (PDD)

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Department ICI – Preventative Maintenance				Job Title Electrician		Company Enwave (McDowell Electric)				
PHYSICAL DEMANDS		Not Component	*FREQUENCY				LOAD (object/tool)		COMMENTS	
			Seldom	Minor	Required	Major	Maximum (Kg)	Usual (Kg)		
STRENGTH	Lifting			x			19	> 1	Lifting tool box off the floor; Usually lifting a small tool (ie. Screwdriver)	
	Carrying			x			19	1	A tool belt is carried to the work area; Usually carrying a spool of wire	
	Pushing					x	2.5	2.5	Pushing on screw head to tighten screw	
	Pulling				x				Wire pulling over distance of approx. 2 – 2 ½ ft	
	Handling				x		19	> 1	Handling a small screwdriver	
	Throwing	x								
	Gripping	Power Grasp		x						Using pliers
		Pinch Grasp					x			Gripping of small screwdriver
	Reaching	Above Shoulder				x				Tightening screws in the top half of the control panel (Distance of 60”+ from the floor)
		Below Shoulder				x				Tightening screws in the bottom half of the control panel
To the Side			x							
POSTURES	Shoulder	Abduction				x				
		Flexion						x		
	Hip	Abduction	x							
		Flexion/Extension					x			
	Wrist	Radial/Ulnar Devn		x						
		Pronate/Supinate				x				Screwing motion mostly emanates from fingers
		Flexion				x				
	Trunk	Extension	x							
		Side Bend	x							
		Twist		x						
		Flexion				x				
	Neck	Extension				x				
Side Bend		x								
Twist		x								
Flexion										
MOBILITY	Sitting					x			Preventative maintenance (PM) from the floor to a height of 59” is completed in a seated position	
	Standing						x		Replacing high temperature wires; PM on control panel	
	Walking					x				
	Climbing					x			Climbing one flight of stairs	
	Crawling	x								
	Crouching	x								
	Kneeling	x								
	Balancing					x			Carrying items up one flight of stairs	
	Foot Action	One Foot	x							
		Feet					x			Standing, climbing stairs
Fine Finger Movements						x		Tightening of control panel screws, insertion of wire into connection		
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SENSORY/PERCEPTUAL	Hearing	Conversations	x				
		Other Sounds		x			Emergency alarms
	Vision	Far	x				
		Near				x	Distances of 26" from the nose
		Colour			x		
	Perception	Depth			x		
		Spatial – organization			x		
		Form - recognition				x	Recognizing different breakers and screws
	Feeling					x	Determination of endpoint for screwing screws
	Reading	x					
Writing	x						
Keying/Typing	x						
Speech		x					
WORK ENVIRONMENT	Outside Work	x					Inside work environment
	Hot		x				Upper floors can become hot in summer months
	Cold	x					Indoor work environment
	Humid	x					Indoor work environment
	Dry					x	The work environment is dry as it is inside
	Dust		x				Electrician dusts the components after servicing
	Vapour Fumes		x				
	Noise					x	Steam plant
	Vibration	Whole Body	x				
		Upper Extremity	x				
	Contact Stress			x			Screwing in screws, using pliers
	Striking with Hand/Fist	x					
	Moving Objects		x				
	Hazardous Machines	x					
	Electrical					x	Working on electrical components
	Sharp Tools		x				Pliers
	Radiant/Thermal Energy		x				Preventative maintenance is performed when the steam plant is up and running
Slippery	x						
Congested Worksite		x					
Chemical Irritants	x						
CONDITIONS	Works Independent but in Group	x					Preventative maintenance is completed individually
	Operate Equipment/Machinery	x					
	Machine Paced	x					
	Production Quotas					x	Must complete work by a certain date
	Deadline Pressures		x				
	Irregular/Extended Hours		x				May do emergency calls
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