



POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title: Engineer

Cluster / Business Unit / Division NSTLI -ANSTO Synroc

Section or Unit: Engineering and Technology Development

Classification: Band 5/6 Linked

Position Description Number: PD-2024
Work Contract Type: Professional

POSITION PURPOSE

The primary objective of Engineer is to provide technical input into specific engineering packages and ensure engineering and process systems are designed and validated from concept through to deployment. This role provides technical input into the design and engineering of scaled-up process technologies for ANSTO Synroc, be involved in the design of specific nuclearised equipment and processes for ANSTO Synroc and provide mechanical engineering support to ANSTO Nuclear facilities.

ORGANISATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

ANSTO is the national organisation for nuclear science and technology. We focus on undertaking leading edge research, delivering innovative scientific services and providing specialised advice to government, industry, academia and other research organisations.

Nuclear Science & Technology and Landmark Infrastructure (NSTLI) integrates ANSTO's research, innovation, landmark research infrastructure and associated platforms and capabilities. NSTLI conducts research and development in relation to nuclear science and technology and connects people, transfers knowledge and provides nuclear-based products and services for the benefit of Australia.

NSTLI's Research Portfolio undertakes world class applied and translational research utilising nuclear techniques to foster innovation in research and development programs to enhance ANSTO's contribution to supporting a sustainable and healthier future for our planet and people everywhere. The Research Portfolio consists of research themes that define the broad subject areas of research with underlying research programs that are focussed activity groupings that contribute to the overall objectives of the research theme and also conducting research sub-programs within platforms. The Research Themes are Environment, Human Health, Nuclear Fuel Cycle and Synroc.

Synroc has been given the challenge of developing markets for ANSTO's wasteform science and processing technology and develop tailored solutions for nuclear waste stream including advancement of engineering designs and solutions for waste processing plants and equipment within ANSTO and for external clients

ACCOUNTABILITIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Key Accountabilities- Band 5

- Participate in the complete engineering process from concept development through to realised manufacture, assembly and commissioning to meet client requirements
- Contribute to engineering solutions of simple plant or sections within more complete plant; in conformance with approved project guidelines and procedures.
- Under supervision, develop design documentation including reports, datasheets and specifications and review supplier documentation.
- Use experimental design techniques and statistical analysis for the validation of developed processes.
- Under supervision, collaborate with other disciplines and develop an understanding of the work and execution sequences needed in successful multi-disciplinary design and delivery

- Responsible for the technical accuracy of design packages and ensuring changes or discrepancies are addressed;
- Under supervision, verify the application of sound engineering methods for detailed engineering documentation for mechanical and process systems and verify engineering designs are safe to construct, commission, operate and decommission.
- Ensure engineering systems are accurately documented and appropriate for the QA standards of the project and clients.
- Under supervision, develop design documentation including reports, datasheets and specifications and review supplier documentation.
- Interface with internal stakeholders as part of a team and provide feedback on other systems being designed by others within a project or work group.
- Collaborate with other disciplines and develop an understanding of the work and execution sequences needed in successful multi-disciplinary design and delivery;
- Undertake additional duties as required and during period of leave of other staff.

In addition to performing all Band 5 accountabilities, the Band 6 role includes these additional accountabilities

- Lead engineering development for simple plant or sections within more complex plant, in conformance with ANSTO Synroc or approved project guidelines and procedures;
- Lead validation testing of process technologies, collecting and analysing data, seeking new solutions, developing new techniques and methods and delivering concise recommendations and reports to clients.
- Lead and integrate continuous improvement methodologies through considering alternative design concepts, constructability and operability factors, and the application of lessons learnt, and strive to deliver improvements
- Develop existing and new concepts from conceptual through to detailed engineering that will allow ANSTO Synroc to demonstrate the feasibility of its technologies to deliver a waste solution which meets the clients' performance requirements;
- Address any changes or discrepancies during the installation and commissioning phase of the
 project to ensure the technical adequacy of the design package/s developed. Verify the
 application of sound engineering methods for detailed engineering documentation for systems
 of ANSTO Synroc technologies.
- Verify engineering designs are safe to construct, commission, operate and decommission.
 Define and implement whole of life, sustainable engineering solutions.
- Review and provide feedback based on specialist knowledge on other systems being designed by others as part of the ANSTO Synroc engineering team. Collaborate extensively with other disciplines and develop an understanding of the work and execution sequences needed in successful multi-disciplinary design and delivery.
- Ensure engineering and process systems are accurately documented and appropriate for QA standards. Lead the design development; document this work in reports, datasheets and specifications. provide critical review of supplier documentation;
- Ensure appropriate engineering design Codes and Standards are applied to all work;
- Coordinate and undertake development of a variety of engineering computations and simulations for ANSTO Synroc designs
- Undertake additional duties as required and during period of leave of other staff

Decision Making

- The ANSTO values, organisational corporate plan, business plan, operational excellence program, the NSTLI strategy and Synroc Technologies defined strategy and plans provide the context for the position.
- The position works within a framework of legislation, policies, professional standards and resource parameters. Within this framework the position has some independence in determining how to achieve assigned objectives however will be constrained by the project deliverables and timeframes.
- The position is fully accountable for the accuracy, integrity and quality of the content of advice
 provided and is required to ensure that decisions are based on sound evidence, but at times
 may be required to make effective judgements under pressure or in the absence of complete
 information or expert advice.
- Determine key work priorities within the context of agreed work plans and project plans and consult with the line manager on complex, sensitive and major issues that have a significant impact on the project.
- The levels of authority delegated to this position are those approved in accordance with the project management structure and issued by the Chief Executive Officer. All delegations will be in line with the ANSTO Delegation Manual AS-1682 (as amended or replaced).

Key Challenges

- Carry out work in accordance with project delivery schedule while working across numerous projects with varying deadlines
- The development of new designs and methodologies for nuclear applications that need to be operable, reliable and maintainable.
- Utilise significant judgement and technical experience to undertake technically challenging development and design which requires constant learning and keeping abreast of technological and statutory changes in mechanical design
- Undertaking activities in a heavily regulated environment and comply at all times with regulatory & safety requirements, codes, standards and specifications.

KEY RELATIONSHIPS

Who	Purpose
Internal	
Manager/Executive	 Receive guidance and direction Provide expert, authoritative and evidence based advice and recommendations Provide regular updates on key tasks, issues & priorities Negotiate and report on progress of project outcomes consistent with project plans and goals Recommend and gain endorsement for project activities and other initiatives Escalate issues and propose solutions
Project team members	 Band 5 Support team members and work collaboratively to contribute to achieving project outcomes Band 6 Leads the delivery of specific work package as defined by the project. Provide expert advice and analysis on a full range of matters Contribute to group decision making processes, planning and goals Collaborate and share accountability Identify, negotiate and resolve technical conflicts

Other departments (Nuclear	Report on technical development and outcomes
Operations)	Consult regarding results and stakeholder requirements
	 Provide advice and recommendations

POSITION DIMENSIONS

Staff Data	
Reporting Line	Reports to the Manager Synroc Engineering
Direct Reports	Nil
Indirect Reports	Nil

Special / Physical Requireme	nts			
Location:	Lucas Heights			
	Working in different areas of designated site/campus as needed			
Travel:	May be required travel to ANSTO sites from time to time			
	Frequent travel both internationally and nationally			
Physical:	Office based physical requirements (sitting, standing, minimal manual handling, movement around office and site, extended hours working at computer) Public speaking			
	Industrial facility physical requirements (lifting, standing for long periods, operating machinery, equipment and manipulators)			
	Wearing personal protective equipment for the handling of hazardous and/or radioactive materials			
Radiation areas:	May be required to work in radiation areas under tightly regulated conditions			
	Perform duties in an area where radioactive materials are handled under tightly controlled safety conditions			
	Perform duties with and in an area where hazardous chemicals or materials are handled under tightly controlled safety conditions			
Hours:	Willingness to work extended and varied hours based on operational requirements			
Clearance requirements:	Satisfy ANSTO Security and Medical clearance requirements			

Workplace Health & Safety	
Specific role/s as specified in	All Workers
AG-2362 of the ANSTO WHS	Officer (definitions found in appendix 1 of AG-2362)
Management System	Other specialised roles identified within the guideline a position
	holder may be allocated to in the course of their duties

ORGANISATIONAL CHART

Refer to published Organisational Chart.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

Ba	nd 5	Band 6
1.	Degree or higher in Engineering or equivalent discipline	Same as Band 5
2.	Demonstrated experience in research or engineering practices with a mechanical aptitude, including design, scale-up development and large scale processing	Demonstrated experience in process design, applying research/engineering practices with skill in mechanical, materials selection in an industrial environment, (such as Nuclear, Chemical, Gas or Mechanical)
3.	Demonstrated experience in using experimental design techniques and statistical analysis for process/experimental validation	Demonstrated experience in leading specific engineering packages from design to deployment of process systems in an industrial plant.
4.	Demonstrated computing skills; with experience using CAD packages(i.e. Autocad and Solidworks)	Same as Band 5 including experience in computation and simulation
5.	Knowledge in materials processing	Demonstrated experience materials processing
6.	Demonstrated ability to produce detailed engineering and technical documents including calculation reports, descriptive reports and standard technical drawings	Same as Band 5
7.	Demonstrated ability to show initiative and work independently and be deadline driven and reliable in following through with actions	Demonstrated ability to independently prioritise projects and tasks to optimise allocation of resources
8.	Ability to develop and maintain productive working relationships across a broad range of internal and external stakeholders	Same as Band 5
9.	Personal qualities that add value to a team operating in a high level client delivery, safety & quality environment	Same as Band 5
10.	Excellent interpersonal and communication skills, both written and verbal	Demonstrated ability to effectively communicate with a broad range of stakeholders including technical, professional (i.e. conferences) and management
11.		Demonstrated experience in processing (including critical analysis of processing steps) handling powders and critical analysis of materials properties for scale up processes
12.		Capable of interpreting and applying local and international Engineering Design Codes and Regulations, and Customer specified standards/specifications and methodologies

LINKED ROLE TRANSITION REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum 5 years working as a Mechanical Engineer (Band 5) or equivalent experience
- Demonstrated capability to independently manage engineering projects to successful completion
- Demonstrated ability to independently and responsibly perform Band 6 accountabilities and apply required knowledge, skills and experience for the Band 6 position including:
 - Undertake Band 6 accountabilities independently with little or no direct supervision
 - Apply extensive engineering knowledge and experience to troubleshoot, investigate and resolve complex systems and problems (relevant to discipline) with little or no supervision or guidance
 - o Independently manage large and complex engineering tasks within projects
 - Utilise judgement to independently assess priorities of projects and tasks to optimise the allocation of resources
 - Providing feedback and contributing to the process of continual improvement in safety, reliability and efficiency and individual knowledge and competency

Transition from Band 5 to Band 6 will occur following a recommendation from the relevant line manager, assessment by management and approval from Leader, Synroc Technologies

Transition within the linked role is not automatic and ability to perform Band 6 accountabilities will need to be demonstrated and assessed. This is to be done by completing the attached form and completing a full written submission demonstrating and justifying how the employee meets the transition requirements noted above.

VERIFICATION

This section verifies that the line manager and appropriate senior manager/executive confirm that this is a true and accurate reflection of the position.

Line Manager		Delegated Authority		
Name:	Gerry Triani	Name:	Suzanne Hollins	
Title:	Technical Director	Title:	Head of Research NSTLI	
Signature:		Signature:		
Date:		Date:		





Engineer (PD-2024) Band 5 to Band 6 Transition Checklist

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Name:						
Commencement Date:						
Assessment Date:						
Written submission demonstra	ating and justifying how th	ne employee meet	s require	ments m	ust also b	e attached.
Requirements for transition					Met Cri	teria
a) Minimum 5 years working	; as Mechanical Engineer (Band 5)			Yes	☐ No
OR					OR	□ Na
b) Minimum 5 years equivale					☐ Yes	∐ No
Demonstrated capability to in successful completion	ndependently manage engi	ineering tasks with	in project	s to	Yes	☐ No
Demonstrated ability to inde knowledge, skills and experie	-		accountal	bilities a	nd apply	required
Undertake Band 5 accountab	ilities independently with I	ittle or no direct su	upervision	1	Yes	☐ No
Independently manage large	and complex engineering p	orojects			Yes	☐ No
Utilise judgement to independently assess priorities of projects and tasks to optimise the allocation of resources				Yes	☐ No	
Lead and coordinate a projec	Lead and coordinate a project team of engineers and technical staff to achieve outcomes			Yes	☐ No	
Providing feedback and contributing to the process of continual improvement in safety, reliability and efficiency and individual knowledge and competency				Yes	No	
Training and transfer of knowledge to other engineering and technical staff			Yes	☐ No		
Attach written submission der Manager Recommendation have reviewed the employee's co equirements for transition and re submission detailing how the emp Name & Title:	impetence in accordance with commend transition from Bar	n Linked Role PD-202 nd 5 to Band 6 be end	4 and certi	fy that th	e employe	e meets all
			Dates			
Signature: Technical Director, Synroc Tec	hnologies		Date:			
have assessed the submission and	_	meets all requiremer	nts for tran	sition fro	m Band X t	o Band Y.
Name & Title:						
Signature:			Date:			
Head of Research, NSTLI have reviewed all information an	d approve transition from Bar	nd 5 to Band 6.				
Name & Title:						
Signature:			Date:			
Effective date of transition:						