Gas Utility Training Instructors

Brian Dresel

Brian Dresel has been involved in the natural gas industry since 1989. Brian started out in Field Service, which includes turning gas service on and off, investigating and classifying gas leaks, setting and changing gas meters while providing the best possible service to customers. Brian has also worked as a Backhoe Operator and later a Construction Foreman where he was responsible for installing new and replacement gas service lines and mains, as well as repairing gas distribution system leaks, while ensuring public safety.

Since 2003 Brian has been responsible for employee training, as a Trainer, Training Supervisor and currently as Training Manager at Missouri Gas Energy. Brian resides in rural Johnson County Missouri, where he enjoys working on his small farm and spending time with family.

Shane Glasgow

Shane Glasgow is a field trainer at Missouri Gas Energy. Since 1984 Shane’s jobs have included Gas Distribution, Meter Reader, Gas Service Technician, and Supervisor. Shane has an Associate’s Degree in Applied Science. In his current role, Shane manages training and qualification requirements for field employees, ensures compliance with state mandates, and works with fellow trainers to provide high quality training materials, activities, and classes.

These duties combine with Shane’s interest in providing high quality customer service, safety, and gas technology. Shane enjoys teaching classes for employees of MGE and students at MCC.

Rudy Estrada

Rudy Estrada began his natural gas career in 2001. Since then Rudy has worked in Field Service, Collections, Warehouse and Construction & Maintenance.

In early 2009 Rudy was promoted to Field Trainer and has provided training to employees and contractors in various subjects, to include locating underground facilities, backhoe operation, gas leak investigation, classification and repair, fresh air breathing equipment and excavation. Rudy is one of the primary Gas Utility Technician instructors and takes great pride in his interactions with his students.

Jim Van Dyke

Jim Van Dyke has over 25 years of experience in the Fire Service. Jim has served as Emergency Medical Technician, Fire Fighter, Fire Captain, Fire Marshall, Assistant Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief. Jim joined Missouri Gas Energy in 2009 as a Field Trainer and has taken on responsibility for CPR/First Aid training, field employee training in his area and has become one of the primary Gas Utility Technician instructors. Jim is a skilled trainer who places great importance on safety, which ensures his students will understand how to stay safe and to protect others in the performance of their assigned duties.

In addition to his current responsibilities, Jim volunteers his time with his local fire department as Safety/Training officer.