



Position Vacancy Announcement

Communications Manager

Aurora Launch Services has an immediate requirement for a highly experienced and motivated individual to fill the position of

Communications Manager

Aurora Launch Services (ALS): Aurora Launch Services is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Alaska Aerospace, established to provide low cost, highly reliable launch services on a contract basis to both government and commercial space launch customers worldwide. The company is headquartered in Anchorage, Alaska, co-located with Alaska Aerospace.

Position Description: Under the direction of the Aurora Launch Services Director of Range Operations, the Communications Manager is responsible for all aspects of data communications, including LAN/WAN, Intranet/internet services, network devices, communications to include remote sites, videoconferencing, vendor interfacing, technical training, network security, RF/satellite telecommunications services, Close Circuit Television, public address systems, DICES terminals and systems, fiber optic circuits and auxiliary systems established for any launches by Aurora Launch Services.

Responsibilities:

This position has lead responsibility for managing, maintaining, and operating all communication/data systems during launch and pre-launch activities.

Primary job functions include:

- Directs the activities of the communications staff to include timely and effective reporting, tracking, follow-up, and communication and resolution of problems between the customer and Aurora Launch Services.
- Assists in the design, managing, maintenance, monitoring, optimizing, and tuning of network requirements, to include interface with the customers network system, for optimal performance, redundancy, high availability, and security.

- Updates network devices and components inventory, and documents any and all changes to either.
- Knowledge of preventative maintenance systems, record keeping and documentation.
- Proficient with commercial network communications systems, including installing, troubleshooting, and repairing copper and fiber optic cabling infrastructures and the installation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of telephone and internal PBX systems.
- Direct experience with some or all of the following systems: Ethernet, Local Area Networks, T-1 connectivity closed circuit television, public address systems, DICES terminals and systems, and fiber optic transmitters and receivers.
- Develop and initiate the selection, procurement, installation, and acceptance of telecommunications systems and equipment necessary to meet customer requirements during launch operations.
- Participate in preparation of customer's Requests for Proposals, Requests for Information.
- Provide expert advice and guidance on related products and services offered by Aurora Launch Services as related to customer requirements.
- Translate unique customer requirements into innovative, integrated, workable solutions; ensuring that technology applications in use and/or being proposed address current and future operational requirements.
- Provide network administration support for the launch team.

The position requires interpersonal skills needed to work with a diverse team of employees, contractors, and customer personnel. This is a multi-disciplinary position requiring hands-on experience and tasking.

This is a Part-Time position with varying work schedules depending on the location and duration of customer launch campaigns. Extensive travel and working at spaceports worldwide can be expected.

Required:

- Must possess a High School diploma or equivalent degree.
- Minimum of ten years' experience in communications and/or information technology.
- Working knowledge of the principles, practices, methods, and terminology in telecommunications and information technology.
- Knowledge of computer software and hardware.
- Ability to read wiring diagrams.
- Ability to work with technical aerospace launch and launch vehicle multidisciplinary teams.
- Experience working with federal government agencies and private sector companies within the aerospace/aviation industry.

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- Willing and able to work extended hours, overtime, and on weekends, as required.
- Must be able to obtain and maintain a U.S. Security Clearance at the appropriate level (requires U.S. Citizenship).

Other Desirable Qualifications

Past working experience in the aerospace industry, with a preference towards experience in the space oriented industry; such as spaceport operations, space systems operations and communication systems.

Qualifications: Qualifications for personnel to perform in this position include successful completion of knowledge-based training (self-study or classroom) as directed by the Director of Range Operations.

Equal Employment Opportunity Statement

It is the policy of Aurora Launch Services to provide equal employment opportunity to all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, age, protected veteran or disabled status, or genetic information.

Compensation

A competitive salary and benefits package, determined upon experience level of individual, will be negotiated after an offer to hire has been given.

To Apply

Please send a cover letter and resume to John Cramer, President, Aurora Launch Services, 4300 "B" Street, Suite 101, Anchorage, AK 99503. This position will remain open until filled.