

MEP Cost Consultant Opportunity



DCW is seeking an experienced Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing (MEP) Cost Estimator to join our growing team.

The MEP Estimator will prepare conceptual and design-phase estimates for mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and related building systems. This role supports architects, engineers, and owners by providing reliable cost analysis throughout all stages of design.

The ideal candidate has strong technical knowledge of building systems, excellent analytical skills, and the ability to communicate cost information clearly to both technical and non-technical audiences.



KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Prepare conceptual, schematic, design development, and construction document cost estimates for MEP systems.
- Perform quantity takeoffs for mechanical, electrical, plumbing, fire protection, and related systems.
- Develop and maintain unit cost databases for MEP components and assemblies.
- Conduct constructability and value engineering reviews related to building systems.
- Provide cost comparisons and options analysis to support design decisions.
- Coordinate with DCW's architectural, structural, and general estimating staff to develop comprehensive project estimates.
- Attend client meetings, design reviews, and project workshops as needed.
- Prepare clear, organized estimate reports for clients and project stakeholders.
- Track market conditions, labor rates, and material pricing trends affecting MEP systems.



BENEFITS

- Collaborative culture
- Highly competitive salary
- Medical, dental, and vision benefits
- 401K plan
- Paid time off
- Choice of holidays
- Performance-based bonuses
- Remote work with occasional firm gatherings
- Educational benefits



WORKING ENVIRONMENT

- Predominantly remote work with occasional in-person gatherings and events in the PNW region.
- Flexible office hours based on workload and team requirements.



QUALIFICATIONS

- 5–10+ years of experience in MEP estimating, MEP construction, or building systems cost analysis.
- Strong knowledge of mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and fire protection systems used in commercial and institutional construction.
- Experience preparing estimates from conceptual planning through construction documents.
- Proficiency with construction estimating software and digital takeoff tools.
- Ability to read and interpret MEP drawings, specifications, and technical documentation.
- Strong analytical, organizational, and communication skills.
- Ability to work collaboratively in a multidisciplinary consulting environment.

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ABOUT DCW

We are an independent women-owned third-party consultancy offering a wide array of project management services with offices in Seattle, Washington, and Portland, Oregon. Our diverse clientele includes architects, government agencies, municipalities, k-12 and higher ed organizations, non-profits, and commercial building development organizations.

We are dedicated to providing Owner-centered construction management services and market-based independent cost consultancy geared towards the preservation of the design intent and Owner requirements. We are critical thinkers and innovators driven to achieve successful outcomes for public and private sector clients investing in the development of buildings and infrastructure.



OPPORTUNITIES

- Currently hiring for full-time cost consultant opportunity. Training and mentorship are available.
- Paid summer internship opportunities are available. Work remotely while gaining job experience.



COST MANAGEMENT

From planning through occupancy, we prioritize clients' best interests at every step of the process.

- Independent Cost Estimating
- Design-Based Cost Management
- Cost Review and Reporting
- Reconciliation Management
- Master Planning & Pre-Design



PROJECT MANAGEMENT

DCW provides expert construction management guidance and support from pre-design through the construction phase.

- Design and Construction Management
- Owner Representation
- Alternative Delivery Consulting
- Program Management



COMPANY CULTURE

At DCW, we foster a collaborative and supportive working environment. We are a curious, capable, and enthusiastic team who is always eager to learn and bring out the best in ourselves and our colleagues.

We are looking for individuals who can strategically contribute to the growth of our firm.

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