



## BASIC ROLE DETAILS

**TITLE:** Cost controller

**REGION:** Alkmaar

**DEPARTMENT:** Finance

**MANAGER:** Financial Controller

**ROLES REPORTING INTO THE ROLE:** Not applicable

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## GENERAL

TAQA ranks as one of the largest energy and water companies in the world. Our purpose: “powering a thriving future by efficiently providing sustainable and reliable energy and water to unleash the unlimited potential of people and places”.

With over 30 nationalities across the global organisation, we are committed to promoting a corporate culture where everyone is valued and able to play their part in building our future success.

In the Netherlands, we focus on the on- and offshore production of oil and gas as well as the operation of two underground gas storage facilities. The latter are strategic assets in the provision of reliable gas in the Netherlands. Their importance will only increase in the coming years as the greater dependence on gas imports will mean domestic storage becomes key to maintaining security of supply.

The energy landscape in the Netherlands is changing, and TAQA is supporting the energy transition in two key ways: we are contributing to continuity of gas supply in the short-term as the transition agenda moves forward. We are also participating in large-scale sustainability developments such as hydrogen and green gas expertise center Investa and Porthos, a CO<sub>2</sub> capture and storage project.

You will be given a lot of responsibility when you join the company, which you are expected to take. And you'll get the space you need to do your job. Individual and team contributions really make a difference at TAQA.

Our success as a company depends on the engagement and passion of our people. Although our organization is large and global, locally we work with short reporting lines in an open and informal culture. We strive for diversity when attracting talent to our organisation and give your personal development our full attention.

***In all we do, safety is our first priority. The safety and care of our people, as well as our surroundings and the environment.***

## ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

### BASIC PURPOSE OF THE ROLE

TAQA's two underground gas storages; Gas Storage Bergermeer (GSB) and Piek Gas Installatie (PGI), are providing a vital role within the Dutch energy transition. With the unfortunate and devastating events in Ukraine, the role of these two gas storages has become even more critical to ensure security of supply. As a result, TAQA is expanding its gas storage activities and is looking for an Accountant to join.

The Gas Storage Cost Controller will join the Finance team and be responsible for all budgeting, reporting and control activities within operations and maintenance teams of TAQA's gas storage business, support in the preparation of the budget and monitoring and analysis of actual performance as well as forecasts and specific KPI's. Main tasks will include collecting and challenge all cost related data and work in close cooperation with both O&M teams and Finance team.

With TAQA being a relatively small and very open organization, you will be working in close cooperation with the Operations & Maintenance teams, Supply Chain team, Business Controller, Accountant and Finance manager.

### KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

#### Budgeting:

- Collect and challenge all required data for preparing an annual budget by working together with the heads of operational and maintenance departments ("O&M") for O&M costs and other departments when required.
- Facilitate inter-departmental challenge sessions before final budget submissions
- Submit budgets and reports into the budget reporting tool

#### Forecasting:

- Collect and challenge information and prepare the monthly forecasts in close cooperation with the O&M teams (i.e. activity based update of costs for the remaining months in the year) and the Business Controller.

#### Analysis/ Reporting:

- Understand the specific cost procedures and carry out all work in accordance to these
- Review monthly cost data from the accounting systems in order to get the correct data into the corporate reporting system and to enable variance analysis between actuals and budget.
- Prepare monthly O&M cost reporting and analysis of variances which include actuals versus budget, routine/non-routine, O&M projects.
- Review cost commitments and expenditure information for all cost elements for input in the forecast
- Highlight cost areas of concern and suggest areas for improvement
- Maintain connectivity and alignment of local planning and control tools with central systems (Hyperion, Smart view, Oracle/Maximo).

- Support transfer of financial knowledge to non-financial employees (i.e. budget project codes, Cost centers)
- Participate in O&M projects as planning and performance expert
- Provide analysis that supports leadership on any ad-hoc information requests

### Role

- Lead role on preparation of the O&M budget and forecast
- Lead role on analysis of the variances
- Lead role on financial project control for O&M projects
- Promotion of finance literacy in the O&M teams.
- Liaise with the Business Controller, accounting and supply chain to ensure alignment reporting and accurate input into the accounting and corporate systems.

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## QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCES AND SKILLS

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### QUALIFICATIONS / TRAINING

#### Essential

- Extensive cost control experience in a complex operations organisation

#### Preferred

- Degree in Economics, Finance or similar experience

### EXPERIENCE/KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS

#### Essential

- Specialist in Cost control
- Excellent Interpersonal skills
- English and/or Dutch is a must.

#### Preferred

- Experience in an operational oil and gas role

### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Excellent analytical skills
- Self-directed, highly-motivated and hands-on
- Good organisation and planning skills

IT literate: Applicable database/s, Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) to intermediate level  
(Excel: advanced level)

### INTERACTIONS

#### INTERNAL INTERACTIONS

- O&M Manager and team members
- Finance – Business Controller, Accounting team, Finance Manager
- Supply Chain – Buyers, PO issuers

#### EXTERNAL INTERACTIONS

- Key contractors/service providers

### DETAILS

**ESTIMATED START DATE:**

**As soon as possible**

**WORKING HOURS:**

**Fulltime, 38,75 hours/week**

**DURATION:**

**Indefinite, starting with a year contract**