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2017 Summer / Term Employment Opportunities

Potato Research Technician – Portage la Prairie, Winkler, Carberry MB

(4 Month and 6 Month Positions)

Description of the company:

Gaia Consulting Ltd, established in 1987, conducts potato and other vegetable research trials for crop input manufacturers, commodity associations, food processors, growers and government agencies at several locations in Manitoba.

Duties:

We are currently looking for individuals capable of carrying out activities related to small plot agricultural research. Positions may be located in Portage la Prairie, Winkler or Carberry, MB. The successful applicants will work with research agronomists to:

- Establish research trials.
- Maintain research trials (operation of agricultural equipment).
- Apply test substances (using a tractor and sprayer or fertilizer spreader).
- Conduct assessments and collect data.
- Collect plant tissue and soil samples.
- Six month positions will include potato harvest. Term length negotiable, 6-8 mo.

Benefits:

- Competitive salary based on education and experience
- Valuable experience with various research methods

Qualifications:

Ideally, the successful candidate will meet the following requirements:

- Enrolled in or completed Agriculture Degree or Diploma (preferred but all academic disciplines are welcome to apply)
- Computer literacy – Microsoft Office suite.
- Experience in ag. research or with agricultural equipment are assets but not necessities. Farm background is an asset.
- A valid driver's license is required.

Send resume with cover letter to Debbie Jones at the address listed above or by e-mail (djones@gaiiconsulting.mb.ca). Deadline is **Nov 15, 2017** but eligible candidates may be contacted and interviewed as applications are received.