

# GROUP AGRICULTURAL ENGINEER

Illovo Sugar Limited, Africa's largest sugar producer, has the following vacancy based at the Head Office in the Group Agricultural Performance Department, **Mount Edgecombe**.

Reporting to the Group Agricultural Performance Manager, the successful incumbent will be accountable for the provision of a support service to all operations with respect to irrigation and drainage systems, power, bulk water supply, project management, civil works and agricultural machinery to all agricultural operations in the Illovo Group.

**Key performance areas:** • provides technical input, advice and guidance in the procurement, design, construction and/or maintenance of agricultural infrastructure and machinery including: • Canals, Irrigation and Drainage systems • Civil Works • Agricultural and Cane Haulage machinery and the general vehicle fleet • actively conducts systems monitoring and analysis to ensure optimization of irrigation systems, power supply and machinery and provides recommended solutions • ensure that robust and sustainable agric. engineering systems, processes and procedures are developed to improve operational efficiency and effectiveness • leads and manages projects with specific emphasis on preparation of project proposals and front end packages • performs land surveying and area mapping • develop suitable computerised control together with valid and reliable data and recording and reporting systems • manage preparation of capital and operating budgets and oversee financial control for above service functions • encourage and foster an innovative approach at the heart of all activities • maintain a professional company image, ensuring compliance with all legislation.

**Requirements:** • a B.Sc and/or B'Tech degree in Agricultural Engineering plus a relevant business qualification would be an advantage • at least 5 years' experience as a Senior Agricultural Engineer in an irrigated sugar cane agricultural environment • good leadership and management skills • strong ability to influence, inspire and motivate at operational level • sound business/commercial acumen • highly developed written and oral communication skills • innovative, intuitive with ability to anticipate, interpret and unravel complex issues impacting on functional area • committed team player with good interactive skills to engage with all internal and external stakeholders • analytical and quantitative skills • project management skills • must be prepared to travel extensively.

**Should you be interested in applying, please forward your CV and copies of your qualifications, to:**  
[illovo@hosting-it.co.za](mailto:illovo@hosting-it.co.za)

**CLOSING DATE: 22 APRIL 2014.**

**Should you not receive a response from us within a month after the closing date, please consider your application as being unsuccessful.**

