



## recruiting videos transcript – Raquel Perez

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**Raquel Perez:** Hello. My name's Raquel Perez and I'm an instrument and electrical engineer at BP Refinery in Texas City. I went to the University of Houston in Houston, Texas, and I got a bachelor's of science in electrical engineering. My job title is instrument and electrical engineer and I have four units I am assigned to that I am pretty much responsible for everything electrical on those units. We are on call all the time and there's been times when a motor or something would go down in one of my assigned units and I get paged on a Saturday morning and have to come out and help them get the motor back running so they can get the process back. But it makes you feel better when you finish it and you know that you have accomplished something. One small ground fault in a little motor that's probably not very important could cause the whole unit to go down, so my project is to put ground protection on *every* thing in the unit. It would save probably \$200,000 to \$300,000 per day it's down. I chose BP mostly because of the benefits that they offer. They offer really good flextime. I have a daughter who is four-years-old and it gives me a lot of time to spend with her. We go to putt-putt and we go play around all the time. We have a little thing called Reward and Recognition, little benefits that you get, and you actually are acknowledged that you did take that extra step to do something. And I really like that. They match you on the amount that you put in on your 401(k) for retirement and we get a partial bonus at the end of the year, each year, to show our benefit to the company. And I think it's a really good thing. When we went to DisneyWorld in Orlando, it was completely paid by the partial benefit that we got. After I do learn as much as I can about the refinery and about the actual process part I would like to go into the commercial side of the business. We have a network where we can log in and see what jobs are available throughout the world. It's pretty good to know that you can go pretty much anywhere you want to go.

