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SUMMARY

Experienced network engineer with over six years in data center and cloud technologies. Focused on installation, configuration, and support of advanced networks. Recognized for proficiency in troubleshooting WAN connectivity and optimizing deployments through infrastructure as code practices. Strong leader who collaborates well in cross-functional teams to enhance both technical documentation and project management approaches. Successfully integrated Terraform and Ansible to elevate operational effectiveness. Committed to driving innovations within complex environments that result in reliable and efficient network operations.

EXPERIENCE

Network Engineer June 2022 - Present
Innovative Networks LLC Chicago, IL

- Oversee campus and cloud networking systems, ensuring high availability and performance across platforms. Engage in proactive assessments and enhancements to ensure efficient infrastructure operation while adapting latest technology features.
- Implemented modern switching and routing solutions, resulting in minimal disruption during peak production hours.
 - Utilized Terraform and Ansible for infrastructure as code implementations that improved deployment precision and speed.
 - Collaborated to refine documentation processes and communication channels, significantly impacting team integration effectiveness.
 - Diagnosed and resolved network failures promptly, cutting resolution times significantly and enhancing overall service satisfaction.
 - Spearheaded educational workshops related to emerging network technologies, boosting staff skills and operational readiness.
 - Curated a series of efficiency reports revealing optimization opportunities across layers of the organization.

Data Center Technician January 2020 - May 2022
NextGen Tech Corp Peoria, IL

- Provided support in maintaining data center operational efficiencies by configuring and fixing network infrastructures according to best practices.
- Ensured meticulous configuration of data center networking equipment, attuning setups to industry standards.
 - Enhanced procedural transparency through detailed maintenance of network documentation for cross-team sharing.
 - Participated in the assessment and installation of rigorous security protocols to optimize network resilience against threats.
 - Actively contributed towards migratory efforts from outdated systems, yielding significant performance enhancements.
 - Supported internal troubleshooting initiatives, contributing to ramping up responsiveness and minimizing downtime.
 - Conducted proactive system checks promoting early detection and resolution of failing hardware.

Junior Network Engineer August 2016 - December 2019
Cloud Innovations Inc. Bloomington, IL

- Facilitated entry-level contributions to stabilize and expand network services under senior supervision while gaining critical hands-on experience in networking.
- Aided in establishing configurations for devices, solidifying foundations of stable network operations.
 - Updated documentation processes regarding configurations which became vital for team adherence to best practices.
 - Assisted senior engineers in addressing network issues, inheriting a wealth of problem-solving methodologies.
 - Engaged comprehensively in skill-building sessions revolving around security measures and infrastructural improvements.
 - Gained foundational exposure to cloud-based networking paradigms, constructing pathways for advanced understanding in future roles.
 - Kicked off initial explorations into scripting languages as part of aspiring efforts to embrace automation.

LEADERSHIP & AWARDS

- Recognized as Employee of the Month for outstanding contributions toward improving network resilience at Innovative Networks.
- Awarded Certificate of Excellence for exceptional performance in data center migrations at NextGen Tech Corp.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Computer Networking 2016
University of Illinois GPA: 3.5 Champaign, IL
Coursework: Networking Principles, Cloud Technologies, Security Protocols, Project Management

CERTIFICATIONS

- Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) 2021

- CompTIA Network+  2020

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Network Operating Systems:** Cisco IOS, Juniper JunOS, MikroTik RouterOS
- **Collaboration Tools:** Trello, JIRA, Slack
- **Automation Tools:** Python, Bash, PowerShell
- **Firewall Technologies:** Cisco ASA, Palo Alto, Fortinet
- **Backend Services:** AWS, Azure, Google Cloud
- **Monitoring Tools:** Wireshark, Nagios, Zabbix
- **Documentation Frameworks:** Confluence, SharePoint, GitHub Pages
- **Testing Tools:** Postman, Selenium, PHPUnit
- **Version Control Systems:** Git, SVN, TFS
- **Virtualization Platforms:** VMware, Hyper-V, VirtualBox

SKILLS

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| • Network Configuration | • Project Management | • WAN Connectivity | • Routing Protocols |
| • Troubleshooting | • Documentation | • Infrastructure as Code | • Network Security |
| • Terraform | • Cloud Networking | • Firewall Configuration | • Collaboration Skills |
| • Ansible | • Data Center Operations | • Switching Platforms | • Performance Optimization |

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member of the Networking Professional Association, engaging regularly in knowledge-sharing initiatives.
- Active participant in local tech meetups focused on network innovation and cybersecurity trends.

LANGUAGES

- English (Native)
- Spanish (Intermediate)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Work Status : Authorized to work in United States. No sponsorship required.

REFERENCES

AVAILABLE ON REQUEST