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NWSA Announces Schedule for Additional 2017 Practical Examiner Accreditation Program Workshops

Workshops Provide Opportunity for Participants to Obtain NWSA Accreditation to Administer Field-Based Practical Exams

(Fairfax, Virginia) – The National Wireless Safety Alliance (NWSA) today announced that it has scheduled four additional 2017 Telecommunications Tower Technician Practical Examiner Accreditation Program (PEAP) Workshops.

The NWSA will be facilitating the workshops at various locations around the country on the following 2017 dates:

June 12-16, 2017 – Eagan, MN (Hosted by Vertical Limit Construction)

August 21-25, 2017 – Kansas City, MO (Hosted by Black & Veatch)

September 18-22, 2017 – Mt. Juliet, TN (Hosted by Comstar)

October 23-27, 2017 – Cedar Park, TX (Hosted by Safety LMS)

Industry stakeholders who attend the workshops will be provided an opportunity to complete both the NWSA practical exam in order to become certified as a Telecommunications Tower Technician (TTT) while also obtaining official accreditation from the NWSA as a Practical Examiner. NWSA Practical Examiners are authorized to administer practical exams to anyone seeking technician certification from the organization.

The first two days of each workshop will be dedicated to practical exam testing and the remaining three days will be devoted to the PEAP workshop. In order to be eligible for a NWSA Practical Examiner workshop, participants must hold NWSA certification in the categories for which they plan to be a Practical Examiner. For all workshops held in 2017, NWSA is allowing workshop attendees to complete their practical exams as part of the workshop. Each workshop host site will facilitate practical testing along with NWSA Workshop Instructor, Clint Cook.

"Facilitating these additional workshops in 2017 will help the NWSA continue to develop a national network of accredited Practical Examiners and will ensure that tower industry workers be provided with ample opportunities to achieve the NWSA's nationwide and portable certification," said Executive Director Duane MacEntee. "I would encourage interested participants to apply soon to attend the workshops that are slated to be held in their respective markets," added MacEntee.

Individuals interested in participating are encouraged to complete the NWSA PEAP Workshop application HERE and return it to NWSA via email to **PE@nws-a.org**. The deadline to register for one of the workshops is two weeks prior to the first day of the scheduled event.

NWSA reviews all potential participants' applications before admission to the workshop is granted. All applications must include payment and the submission of a resume or will be considered incomplete and will not be processed. Each workshop is strictly limited to eight (8) participants and will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis.

After an applicant's workshop application is approved, they will be notified of the open time slots for practical testing and can make their request at that time. Once confirmed, the NWSA will provide the candidate with their scheduled time slots for practical testing.

It is important to note that all applicants must have taken and passed NWSA's Computer Based Test (CBT) prior to participating in the PEAP Workshop. NWSA will allow prospective participants to submit a workshop application now, but a passing score on the CBT is required before acceptance is granted for the PEAP Workshop. Interested candidates who have yet to complete the NWSA's CBT exam are encouraged to visit HERE to register for their CBT exam as soon as possible.

Industry workers, companies and stakeholders are encouraged to visit the NWSA website at www.nws-a.org to learn more about the organization and how to begin the process of obtaining certification.

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About National Wireless Safety Alliance

NWSA, headquartered in Fairfax, VA, is a national non-profit assessment and certification organization established to provide thorough, independent assessments of knowledge and skills and verifiable worker certification in order to enhance safety, reduce workplace risk, improve quality, encourage training, and recognize the skilled professionals who work on towers and other non-standard communication structures.