## National Wireless Safety Alliance Highlights First Industry Workers to Achieve Certification

## Workers Successfully Complete NWSA Assessments; Recognized with Professional NWSA Certification Credentials

(Fort Worth, Texas) - The National Wireless Safety Alliance (NWSA) announced today the names of the individuals who are among the first workers to obtain NWSA Telecommunications Tower Technician (TTT) certification. The organization made the announcement at the NWSA Educational Session that was held in conjunction with the NATE UNITE 2017 Conference in Fort Worth, Texas.



The NWSA announced that the following industry workers have obtained their TTT certification:

Name	Company	<b>Certifications Held</b>
Justin McKenzie	Legacy Towers	TTT-1, TTT-2
Scott Jackson	Green Mountain	TTT-1, TTT-2
David Robinson	Legacy Towers	TTT-1, TTT-2
Justin Kinney	EasTex Tower, LLC	TTT-1, TTT-2
Don Parker	EasTex Tower, LLC	TTT-1, TTT-2
Adam Johnson	Ericsson	TTT-1
Christopher Rodgers	Ericsson	TTT-1

These trailblazing individuals achieved their NWSA certification after successfully completing both a computer-based (CBT) written examination and a practical examination to demonstrate their knowledge and skills at their worker certification level. The candidates were issued an official NWSA wallet certification card that is portable for the worker and can be authenticated through the NWSA's online credential verification database search tool.

For Immediate Release: February 28, 2017 "I would like to congratulate the workers who have officially obtained their NWSA certification credentials," stated Executive Director Duane MacEntee. "These professionals have the distinction of becoming the first NWSA certified personnel in the United States and will be great ambassadors for the NWSA through the quality, safety and pride they carry out their job duties with on a daily basis," added MacEntee.

The NWSA also acknowledged the contributions of accredited Practical Examiners Chad Alban from PEAK Career Services, Gordan Lyman of eSystem Training Solutions and Rick Teckenbrock from Heartland Solutions for taking the candidates through the fieldbased portion of the examination in Fort Worth, Texas. Additionally, the NWSA thanked Rob Siegel and his colleagues from ENSA North America for donating the use of ENSA's portable tower for practical examination testing purposes.

Candidates and industry stakeholders are encouraged to visit <u>www.nws-a.org</u> for detailed information on the NWSA certification process, applying for CBT tests and practical examinations, credential verification and for more information on new certification programs.

Other assessment and certification programs the NWSA is considering for future development include Antenna & Line Foreman, Certified Climber, Tower (Stacking) Foreman, Structural Modifications Foreman, DAS Systems, Small Cell Systems, Broadcast Structures and Outside Plant/Fiber to the Home and Business.

"Today's exciting announcement is just the tip of the iceberg from a worker certification standpoint," said NWSA President Don Doty from FDH Velocitel, Inc. "NWSA certification is a game-changer for the industry and we look forward to NWSA worker certification becoming commonplace in the marketplace in 2017 and beyond," added Doty.

The 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 provide 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.

Industry workers, companies and stakeholders are encouraged to visit the NWSA website at <u>www.nws-a.org</u> to learn more about the organization and how they may be involved.

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