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**TO:** NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP SYSTEM STAKEHOLDERS

 OFFICE OF APPRENTICESHIP STAFF

 STATE APPRENTICESHIP AGENCIES

**FROM:** JOHN V. LADD /s/

 Administrator, Office of Apprenticeship

**SUBJECT:** Revision to Appendix Afor National Guidelines Standards for Apprenticeship forLearning Alliance

1. **Purpose.** To inform the staff of OA, State Apprenticeship Agencies (SAA), Registered Apprenticeship program sponsors and other Registered Apprenticeship partners of a revision to Appendix A to include the occupation listed below to Learning Alliance, National Guidelines Standards for Apprenticeship.
2. **Action Requested.** This bulletin is being provided to OA staff for informational purposes only. The National Office will be responsible for maintenance and technical assistance regarding this program.
3. **Summary and Background.**
	1. Summary – This revision to Appendix A, to the National Guidelines Standards for Apprenticeship, were submitted by Ms. Ruth Tirado, Director of Continuing Education, on behalf of Learning Alliance, were processed by Joseph P. Taylor and approved by the OA Administrator on December 20, 2023.
	2. Background –

***NGS Background -*** National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards (NGS) are a template of high-quality apprenticeship program standards submitted by a labor union, trade or industry association, employer, workforce intermediary, education provider, or other organizations with national scope; these apprenticeship standards may be certified by OA in instances where they are (1) found suitable for adoption or adaptation by State or local affiliates of the submitting organization, and (2) fully satisfy the regulatory requirements set forth at 29 CFR Parts 29 and 30 and any sub-regulatory guidance issued thereunder. NGS that receive certification by OA may be registered subsequently on a local basis by the applicable Registration Agency (either by an OA State Office or by a State Apprenticeship Agency (SAA)) within a particular State or jurisdiction where a program adopting the NGS standards is situated. A local affiliate or sponsoring employer that adopts a set of NGS standards may elect to implement those program standards without modification in registering the program on the State or local level, or it may customize the NGS standards to meet State-specific criteria.

1. **Revision to Appendix A.** This revision to Appendix A, to the National Guidelines Standards of Apprenticeship for Learning Alliance, for the following occupation will be serviced by the National Office of Apprenticeship:

Subsurface Utility Technician

(Existing Title: Utility Locator/Locator Technician)

O\*NET-SOC CODE: 47-4011.00

RAPIDS CODE: 2041CB

Type of Training: Competency-based

Telecommunications Network Specialist

(Existing Title: Internetworking Technician)

O\*NET-SOC CODE: 15-1241.00

RAPIDS CODE: 1038CB

Type of Training: Competency-based

1. **Inquiries.** If you have any questions, please contact Joseph P. Taylor, Program Analyst, National Office, Office of Apprenticeship at (202) 693-3960.
2. **Attachments**

