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| OFFICE OF APPRENTICESHIP  BULLETIN | **NO.**  2024-51 |
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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:** Revised Apprenticeable Occupation: Central Office Installer

1. **Purpose.** To inform the staff of OA, State Apprenticeship Agencies (SAA), Registered Apprenticeship program sponsors, and other Registered Apprenticeship partners of the following new apprenticeable occupation: Central Office Installer
2. **Action Requested.** OA staff should familiarize themselves with this bulletin and the attached Work Process Schedule and Related Instruction Outline, as a source for developing apprenticeship standards and/or providing technical assistance.

Central Office Installer will be added to the List of Occupations Recognized as Apprenticeable by OA located on www.apprenticeship.gov. A suggested Work Process Schedule and Related Instruction Outline are attached.

1. **Summary and Background.**
   1. Summary – The occupation Central Office Installer was submitted by Lisa Tellstone, Subject Matter Expert & Consultant, on behalf of Wireless Infrastructure Association, were processed by Kirk Jefferson and approved by the OA Administrator on February 12, 2024.
   2. Background –

***New/Revised Occupation Background -*** Under 29 CFR section 29.4, an occupation for a RAP must meet the following criteria to be determined apprenticeable:

1. Involve skills that are customarily learned in a practical way through a structured, systematic program of on-the job supervised learning:
2. Be clearly identified and commonly recognized throughout an industry;
3. Involve the progressive attainment of manual, mechanical, or technical skills and knowledge which, in accordance with the industry standard for the occupation, would require the completion of at least 2,000 hours of on-the-job learning to attain; and
4. Require related instruction to supplement the on-the job learning.
5. **Revised Apprenticeable Occupation.** The occupation Central Office Installer was submitted for an apprenticeability determination.

Central Office Installer

O\*NET-SOC CODE: 49-2022.00

RAPIDS Code: 0076

Type of Training: Time-based, Hybrid, Competency-based

Term Length: Time-based 2000, Hybrid 2,000 – 4,000, Competency-based 1 Year

(Note: This occupation is currently approved at 8000 hours. After consulting with the industry on their review, we are recommending changing our TB to 2000 hours and HY to 2000-4000 hours. This may affect current registered programs.)

Central Office Installer perform the following duties:

* + Install, set up, rearrange, or remove switching, distribution, routing, and dialing equipment used in central offices or headend;
  + Additionally, they service or repair telephone, cable television, internet, and other communications equipment on customers' property; and
  + Install communications equipment or communications wiring in buildings.

1. **Inquiries.** If you have any questions, please, contact Kirk Jefferson, Apprenticeship & Training Representative at 202-693-3399.
2. **Attachments.**

