## **BULLETIN 2003 - 13**

| U.S. Department of Labor           | Distribution:          | Subject: New RAIS Code      |
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| Employment and Training            |                        | For Pipe Fitter - Sprinkler |
| Administration                     | A-541 Headquarters     | Fitter Occupational         |
| Office of Apprenticeship Training, | A-544 All Field Tech   | Classification              |
| Employer and Labor Services        | A-547 SD+RD SAC+; Lab. |                             |
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**PURPOSE:** To advise the Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services (OATELS), Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training (BAT) Staff of change in the Registered Apprenticeship Information System (RAIS) Code for the recording of the Pipe Fitter / Sprinkler Fitter classification.

Pipe Fitter – Sprinkler Fitter O\*NET Code: 47-2152.00 RAIS Code: 0414A

Training Term: 8,000 hours Type of Training: Time - based

The letter "A" has been added as an extension of the RAIS Code 0414 to identify Sprinkler Fitter applications.

**BACKGROUND:** The National Office of ATELS received several inquiries relating to utilization of the same RAIS Code for the occupational classifications of Pipe Fitter (construction) and Pipe Fitter (sprinkler fitter) from BAT field representatives. The issue of distinction between the two applications and the tracking of both programs and apprentices are affected, the issue was presented to the RAIS System contractor for solution. As the two occupations are basically the same except for application in the field, it was determined that awarding a separate RAIS Code would allow for distinction and application.

**ACTION:** Effective immediately, all OATELS/BAT staff should implement data entry for the Pipe Fitter / Sprinkler Fitter classification into RAIS under Code 0414A. All new apprentice agreement forms and apprentice registrations should be recorded using the new RAIS Code. New Program Standards and revisions to existing program standards should include incorporation of the new RAIS Code.

This RAIS Code change will be reflected in the next Bulletin announcement of the List of Apprenticeable Occupations. Questions relating to this Bulletin should be forwarded to the Chief, Division of Standards and National Industry Promotion, at (202) 693-3813.

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