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PURPOSE: To inform the staff of OA and the State Apprenticeship Agencies (SAA), Registered Apprenticeship program sponsors and other Registered Apprenticeship partners of the approval of revised National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards for the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers Iron Shipbuilders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers and Employers in the Field Erection and Repair Industry and the Boilermakers National Joint Apprenticeship Board (Boilermakers).

BACKGROUND: These revised National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards, submitted by Mr. William J. Ferguson, Blake & Uhlig, P.A., on behalf of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers Iron Shipbuilders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers and Employers in the Field Erection and Repair Industry and the Boilermakers National Joint Apprenticeship Board, were approved by the OA Administrator on June 25, 2014. These revised National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards are a model for developing local apprenticeship programs registered with the OA or a SAA for all the occupations listed in these revised National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards.

The Boilermakers will utilize these National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards to seek registration through OA Regional Directors. Their "Agreement and Declaration of Trust for Boilermakers' Area Apprenticeship Fund" addresses apprenticeship areas which cover multiple States. Area Apprenticeship Committees are recognized in the trust to operate multi-state areas.

In order to standardize the apprenticeship programs in these areas covered by the U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Apprenticeship (as the Registration Agency) these Apprenticeship Standards will be registered for each area, e.g., Western States (which covers 11 western states). State Apprenticeship Agency's (SAA) may require registration in SAA States within those areas.

The designated OA staffs who will service the Regional Boilermakers Office are as follows: Region I, Regional Director (East Hartford, Connecticut) - Northeastern Boilermakers; Region V, Regional Director (Oak Lawn, Illinois) - Great Lakes Boilermakers; Region III, Regional Director (Ruskin, FL) - Southeastern Boilermakers; and Region VI, Regional Director (Page, AZ) - Western States Boilermakers.

The OA Regional Directors will encourage the use of the Apprentice Electronic Registration (AER) for future registration of all apprentices.

ACTION: The OA staff should familiarize themselves with this bulletin. A copy of the revised National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards and the Work Process Schedule and Related Instruction Outlines are attached.

If you have any questions, please contact Felecia Hart, Team Leader, Division of Standards and National Industry Promotion, at 202-693-3792.

NOTE: This bulletin is being sent via electronic mail.

Attachments

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Appendix A Work Process Schedule
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Area Coordinators