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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 forAmerican Fire and Sprinkler Association

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 American Fire and Sprinkler Association, National Guidelines Standards for Apprenticeship.
2. **Action Requested.** The OA staff should familiarize themselves with this bulletin. A copy of the National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards and the Work Process Schedule and Related Instruction Outlines are attached.
3. **Summary and Background.**
   1. Summary – This revision to Appendix A, to the National Guidelines Standards for Apprenticeship, was submitted by Ms. Victoria Valentine, Director, on behalf of American Fire and Sprinkler Association, were processed by Joseph P. Taylor and approved by the OA Administrator on July 25, 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 Guideline Standards for Apprenticeship for American Fire and Sprinkler Association, is a model for developing local apprenticeship programs with OA or a SAA for the following occupation:

Pipe Fitter- Sprinkler Fitter

O\*NET-SOC CODE: 47-2152.00

RAPIDS CODE: 0414S-R

Type of Training: Time-based

1. **Inquiries.** If you have any questions, please contact Kelley M. Johnson, Apprenticeship and Training Representative, Region IV, Office of Apprenticeship at (972) 850-4676.
2. **Attachments**

