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Re: Satellite Technician Knowledge Test II (STKT II)

Dear Lois and Mike,

Effective October 29th, 2007, the Satellite Technician Knowledge Test II (STKT II) will replace the Satellite Technician Knowledge Test (STKT) as a basic requirement for obtaining test qualified status for Network Technical Specialist, Network Technical Specialist-g and Communications Technician satellite assignments. The new test is designed to assess knowledge of Transmission and Satellite Operations. The pass/fail (Q/NQ) test may be administered via paper-and-pencil or computer, and assesses candidates' knowledge of important job related information. Candidates are still required to qualify on the Technical Specialist – Telephone Ability Battery (TS-TAB) Q1 and the Telecommunications Qualification Test (TQTI) to become test qualified for these positions.

Candidates who do not qualify on the STKT II may retest at 6 months for the first and second retests, and at one year for retests after that.

Within 30 days of implementation, candidates who have a qualified test record on file for the STKT will be grandfathered on the STKT II. The STKT II will be available for immediate retest for those who have taken the STKT and not qualified.

Regards,

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