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FREE “Level One” Certi-Fire Training Tuition Limited-time Offer

Greeting:

With the continued support of Employment Ontario under the Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development (MLTSD), Electrical Contractors Association of Ontario (ECAO) received a second round funding from the Provincial Skills Development Fund (SDF) for the Certi-Fire program to enhance its training capabilities in the fire alarm industry.

In Spring 2021, the Certi-Fire program received the first round of SDF funding to expand the courses in a COVID-19 friendly environment, by delivering programs online to accommodate “at-home-learning” for the “in-person-classroom” training. It was a great achievement for Certi-Fire!

The second round of SDF funding allows us to develop Virtual Reality (VR) Certi-Fire Lab Assessment; where a wearable device allows participants to learn to wire a fire panel, is currently under way.

Good news about this VR technology - we will be able to provide training in an innovative method that will eliminate the traditional need for large physical spaces and large capital investments. It will also resolve the indoor setting limitations and the geographical issues that were a barrier due to COVID-19.

ECAO is pleased to offer a limited, one time, opportunity for free **LEVEL ONE** Certi-Fire Training for IBEW members, and individuals who are 309A licensed electricians, or minimum third term apprentices with intermediate trade school. This promotion is on a first-come-first served basis, and applies to **Level 1 only**, within the given period of time. This free tuition offer will end on March 31, 2023 or until the seats are filled, whichever comes first.

Level 1 will be delivered virtually **including** the VR labs. Our virtual classroom, which helps to save commuting cost and time, provides convenience and flexibility, and comfortable learning environment from home. For the VR labs, in place of the traditional hands-on shops, it will be determined in accordance to course schedules. ECAO will arrange and distribute the VR headsets and associated equipment to each regional training center/instructor.

If you are interested in getting started in Level 1 Certi-Fire Distant Learning program with ECAO, simply fill out the attached registration form. We will enroll you for the next available course.

***** Don’t miss this chance to become a Certi-Fire Fire Alarm Electrician who can provide one stop electrical services – install, test, verify, and maintain all fire alarm needs!!! *****

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us by email at contactus@certifire.org.

Thank you for your kind attention and support!

Certi-Fire Program Administrator