FIELD ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

Review and replacement of *Civil Construction Works* qualifications

National Certificate in Civil Construction Works (Horizontal Directional Drilling) with strands in Driller, and Tracker [Ref: 1081]

National Certificate in Civil Construction Works (Horizontal Directional Drilling Site Controller) [Ref: 1082]

InfraTrain New Zealand has completed the review of the qualifications listed above.

Replacement qualification

National Certificate in Civil Construction Works (Horizontal Directional Drilling) with strands in Driller, Tracker, and Site Supervisor [Ref: 1480]

Date replacement qualification published

March 2009

The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2014.

Summary of review and consultation process

The above qualifications were due for review. An advisory group, composed of horizontal directional drilling (HDD) practitioners and leaders, met twice during 2007 to review these qualifications and associated HDD-specific unit standards to make them relevant to industry needs and developments. Proposed changes were circulated to, and commented on by, advisory group members, fellow HDD practitioners, and associates. Feedback from this consultation was incorporated into the review. As a result a new qualification with strands was developed to replace the qualifications, which better meet the needs of the HDD sector of the industry.

InfraTrain New Zealand has confirmed that all of the existing candidates will be informed of this review. The last date for assessments to take place has taken into account their progress to date and allows sufficient time for them to finish.

Main changes resulting from the review

The two qualifications have been replaced by a new qualification with strands that cover the Driller, Tracker, and Site Controller (or Supervisor) functions of the replaced qualifications.

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replaced by

National Certificate in Civil Construction Works (Horizontal Directional Drilling) with strands in Driller, Tracker, and Site Supervisor [Ref: 1480]

There are substantial differences between the new and the two replaced qualifications. Changes include:

- standards 5627-5629, 6436, 6452, 6454, 6467, 6470, 6472, 6475, 6476, 6478, 6479, 8559, 17327, 19675, 20479 and 20483 are not included in this qualification, but candidates credited with these standards may use them to count towards satisfying the credit requirement of the Elective section
- standards 20480 and 20481 are included in the Compulsory section of this qualification
- standards 6400-6402 are included in the Elective section of this qualification
- standards 16703 and 20484 are included in the Driller strand of this qualification
- standard 20485 is included in the Tracker strand of this qualification
- standard 20482 is included in the Site Supervisor strand of this qualification.

Transition

This qualification replaced the National Certificate in Civil Construction Works (Horizontal Directional Drilling) with strands in Driller, and Tracker [Ref: 1081] and the National Certificate in Civil Construction Works (Horizontal Directional Drilling Site Controller) [Ref: 1082]

People currently working towards either of the replaced qualifications may complete the requirements for that qualification or transfer their results to this qualification. Candidates intending to complete either of the replaced qualifications must gain credit for expiring standard 6454 by 31 December 2010. Candidates intending to complete the National Certificate in Civil Construction Works (Horizontal Directional Drilling Site Controller) [Ref: 1082] must also gain credit for expiring standard 8559 by 31 December 2010.

The last date for assessments to take place for the remaining standards in the replaced qualifications is 31 December 2011.

As barriers to completion may be present in a replaced qualification, and because the replacement qualification is designed to consider recent, and possible future, industry requirements and trends, individuals currently enrolled in a replaced qualification should check the degree to which the standards they have achieved satisfy the requirements of the replacement qualification, and consider transferring to it.

People who hold a current T driver licence endorsement are exempt from the requirement for the standard specified below. They are required to pay the credit fee associated with the standard and must apply for the exemption through InfraTrain New Zealand who will process the applications in accordance with the following table and forward the results and fees to NZQA for processing. The exemption must be applied for on the application form in the Appendix.

| Current driver licence endorsement | Exemption |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| T (tracks) | 16703 |

It is the intention of InfraTrain New Zealand that these transition arrangements are fair, and do not disadvantage any existing candidate. Anyone who thinks that they have been disadvantaged by the transition process should, in the first instance, contact InfraTrain New Zealand at the address below.

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Key to Qualification Review Categories

| Category A | Changes are made to SSB name, contact details or purpose statement |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| The qualification is published as a | No change is made to title, rules or components of the qualification |
| new version with the same NQF ID | No transition arrangements are required |
| Category B | Changes are made to title, rules or components |
| The qualification is published as a | The new version of the qualification recognises a similar skill set to that |
| new version with the same NQF ID | recognised by the previous version |
| | The SSB is confident that people awarded the new or previous version are |
| | comparable in terms of competence |
| | Transition arrangements are required if candidates must gain additional/different |
| | credits for the new version |
| Category C | Significant changes are made to the qualification in terms of components, |
| A new (replacement) qualification is | structure, type or level |
| published with new NQF ID | The SSB views people with the replacement qualification as being significantly |
| | different in terms of competence from those with the replaced qualification |
| | Transition arrangements are required |
| | Transition may be limited to phase-out dates |
| Category D | Qualification is no longer required by industry |
| Qualification will expire. | The qualification is designated as expiring and a last date for meeting the |
| There is no replacement | qualification requirements is set |
| qualification | |