I. JOB TITLE : COMMUNICATION SYSTEM MECHANIC

II. JOB LEVEL : SKILLED WORKER

III. JOB DESCRIPTION : Fits, assembles, installs, maintains and repairs communication equipment and systems including block wiring systems, private automatic branch exchange systems, intercom systems, in-building coaxial cable distribution systems, and other wired or wireless signed transmission and reception systems.

IV. TRADE SKILLS : Ability to:

- 1. Correctly use and maintain the tools of the trade including crimping and termination tools, test equipment, and calibration and measuring instruments.
- 2. Install and properly maintain communication systems and equipment according to stipulated procedures.
- 3. Locate and repair faults in communication systems and equipment.
- 4. Service and calibrate communication systems and equipment.
- 5. Identify and install different types of cables and wires including fibre optic cables.
- 6. Use safety equipment, and protective devices and equipment.
- 7. Read and interpret simple communication equipment specifications, electrical and electronic wiring and circuit diagrams, and building plans.
- 8. Inspect, test and commission communication equipment.
- 9. Correctly instruct, supervise and transfer skills to any apprentice and semi-skilled worker assigned to him to ensure safety and quality of work.

V. TRADE THEORY : Knowledge of:

- 1. Basic electrical and communication engineering.
- 2. Electrical and communication symbols and wiring diagrams, and layout drawings for communication systems.
- 3. Operating principles of communication systems and equipment.
- 4. Use of test and calibration equipment, and measuring instruments.
- 5. Extra low voltage (ELV) system.
- 6. Basic workshop practice, engineering materials, conduit and wiring.
- 7. Industrial hazards, safety and health precautions, and environmental concerns.
- 8. Installation practice and regulations, and relevant codes of practice.
- 9. Relevant ordinances and regulations.

VI. ENTRY ROUTE : Preferred Minimum Entry Qualification:

Completion of Secondary 3.

Training:

3-year organized apprenticeship or 2-year organized apprenticeship if preceded by a relevant one-year full-time basic craft course, with attendance at a relevant part-time day-release or block-release craft course in an institute of vocational education or equivalent.