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Brothers and Sisters:

Signal Specialist positions will be advertised on the September 13 Bulletin. Please have a look at the qualifications and testing procedures. If you have any further questions you may contact Steve Smith (631-365-6018) or Mike Sullivan (631-432-4760).

Fraternally,

Michael Sullivan

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September 12th, 2017

Mr. Christopher Natale, General Chairman
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Re: Signal Specialist Qualifications

Dear Mr. Natale:

This letter establishes the qualifications for Signal Specialist and the requirement of notice as directed in the March 3rd, 2016 understanding (#2 under Signal Specialist). The initial posting of Signal Specialist will follow. In compliance with the agreement the following are the qualifications for the Signal Specialist:

Signal Specialist will perform the installation, maintenance and testing of signal systems, including SCADA (Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition) systems, PTC (Positive Train Control) systems and CTC (Centralized Train Control) as well as future technology introduced by the Carrier and subject to the following terms and conditions:

- 1. The initial candidates must be qualified as Mechanic.**

- 2. To be eligible for the position, candidates will be required to pass a written & practical examination, in addition to a panel interview.**

2.1. Written Examination will test the candidates knowledge of the following topics:

2.1.1. General PTC/SCADA Knowledge

Test the candidate's knowledge relating to PTC/SCADA specific to the LIRR signaling systems.

2.1.2. Computer System Knowledge

Test the candidate's knowledge relating to basic computer software versions/programming and hardware components.

2.1.3. Networking Knowledge

Test the candidate's knowledge relating to basic networking knowledge and specific knowledge relating to LIRR Signal Department PTC/SCADA systems.

2.1.4. Troubleshooting Skills

Test the candidate's knowledge relating to troubleshooting LIRR Signal Department PTC/SCADA systems.

2.2. Practical Examination

2.2.1. Hardware Knowledge

Test the candidate's practical knowledge on installing and connecting various computer components.

2.2.2. Software/Configuration Knowledge

Test the candidate's practical knowledge on navigating and setup (programming) of various computer functions.

2.3. Panel Interview (Panel to be selected by Management)

2.3.1. General PTC/SCADA Knowledge

Test the candidate's knowledge relating to PTC/SCADA and general railroading.

2.3.2. Computer System Knowledge

Test the candidate's knowledge of computer systems to include, components and system vitality.

2.3.3. Networking Knowledge

Test the candidate's knowledge relating to networking knowledge.

2.3.4. Troubleshooting Skills

Test the candidate's knowledge relating to troubleshooting LIRR Signal Department PTC/SCADA systems.

3. A representative of the Organization shall be permitted to be present to observe and proctor the interviews and examinations.

Sincerely,



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