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## **ETA Expands DAS Program with New Distributed Antenna** Systems Technician (DAST) Certification

(Greencastle, Indiana) December 9, 2024 ETA® International is now offering its accredited Distributed Antenna System Technician (DAST) Certification, a vital credential aimed at achieving the life-saving goal of enhancing inbuilding public safety through reliable communication systems.

Distributed Antenna Systems Technicians (DAST) are expected to attain knowledge concepts of distributed antenna systems and antenna installation for public safety applications as established in DASI. Additionally, robust technical service and skills applicable to all of the functions required to safely and completely test, commission, troubleshoot and provide support of in-building public safety distributed antenna systems during and especially after installation.

The DAST Certification equips technicians with the knowledge and technical expertise necessary to:

- Commission, optimize, and troubleshoot Public Safety DAS Systems.
- Perform required periodic maintenance to ensure system integrity.
- Integrate DAS systems into the broader public safety RF infrastructure without degrading network
- Utilize specialized test equipment and analyze measurement results to verify system functionality.

Knowledge of specialized test equipment, utilizing tests and analyzing results are non-hands-on. The DAST certification not only validates technical knowledge but also reflects a commitment to excellence in ensuring public safety. By achieving this certification, technicians demonstrate their ability to:

- Address complex DAS installations.
- Meet industry standards for ERCES compliance.
- Support stakeholders in creating safer environments for first responders and building occupants.

For more information about DAST Certification, visit ETA International or contact us at eta@etai.org.

About ETA - Founded in 1978 by electronics technicians, ETA® International is a not-for-profit 501(c)(6) association whose mission is to represent and support the technical professional. ETA offers over 80 accredited, vendor-neutral certification programs in a variety of technology fields such as fiber optics, communications, electronics, biomedical, smart home, and renewable energy.

ETA aligns with the ISO 17024 standard, vocational and education curriculums, and businesses' resource initiatives through certification programs, conferences, and publications. For more information, please visit www.etai.org.

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