



SOPEEC

STANDARDIZATION OF POWER ENGINEER EXAMINATIONS COMMITTEE

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We are sending this out as a **SECOND REMINDER** to power engineers with a valid 2nd Class Certificate who have passed at least one examination under the old First Class syllabus.

Since examinations under the old 1st Class syllabus will no longer be available after August 31, 2011, you must complete all 1st Class papers prior to this time or you will be unable to acquire a certificate under the old syllabus. To obtain a 1st Class certificate under the revised syllabus all examination papers must be passed on the revised syllabus. ***You cannot transfer examinations from the old syllabus to the revised syllabus.***

Similar information is also available on ABSA's website www.absa.ca and on www.sopeec.org.

AUGUST 31, 2011 IS THE DEADLINE FOR WRITING

OLD FIRST CLASS POWER ENGINEERING EXAMINATIONS

The Revised First Class Power Engineering Examination Syllabus was implemented in August 2006. To assist the implementation of the Revised First Class syllabus, both the old and Revised Second Class examinations are concurrently available for 5 years. This will give examination candidates, who have qualified to continue under the old First Class syllabus, ample time to finish their examinations and earn their certificate. On August 31, 2011, the old First Class syllabus will be removed. Examination candidates who fail to earn their certificate must start all over with the Revised First Class Syllabus.

An applicant can switch from the old First Class to the Revised First Class Examination at any time. However, the applicant will lose the examination papers that she or he has successfully passed and would be required to pass all the examinations in the Revised First Class syllabus. Since the Revised First Class syllabus has a broader and more practical knowledge base, which equips the first class power engineer with the necessary knowledge to make better decisions in dealing with their work responsibilities, a number of examination candidates have switched to the Revised First Class.

Sincerely,

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