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Dear Sir or Madam

**ENHANCEMENT OF WORKFORCE TRAINING AND UPGRADING (WTU) SCHEME FOR FUNDING MULTI-SKILL AND STREAMLINING OF WTU APPLICATION PROCESS**

We are pleased to announce that with effect from 1 July 2012, the Workforce Training and Upgrading (WTU) Scheme under the \$250 million Construction Productivity and Capability Fund (CPCF) would be expanded to co-fund up to 80% of the training and skills evaluation for the SECOND Skills Evaluation Certification (Knowledge) [SEC(K)] certification leading to qualification of Multi-Skilling. This is in support of the new multi-skilling scheme which is an alternative pathway for companies to upgrade their workers. For more details on the multi-skilling scheme, please visit our website at [http://www.bca.gov.sg/MultiSkilling/MultiSkill\\_Main.html](http://www.bca.gov.sg/MultiSkilling/MultiSkill_Main.html).

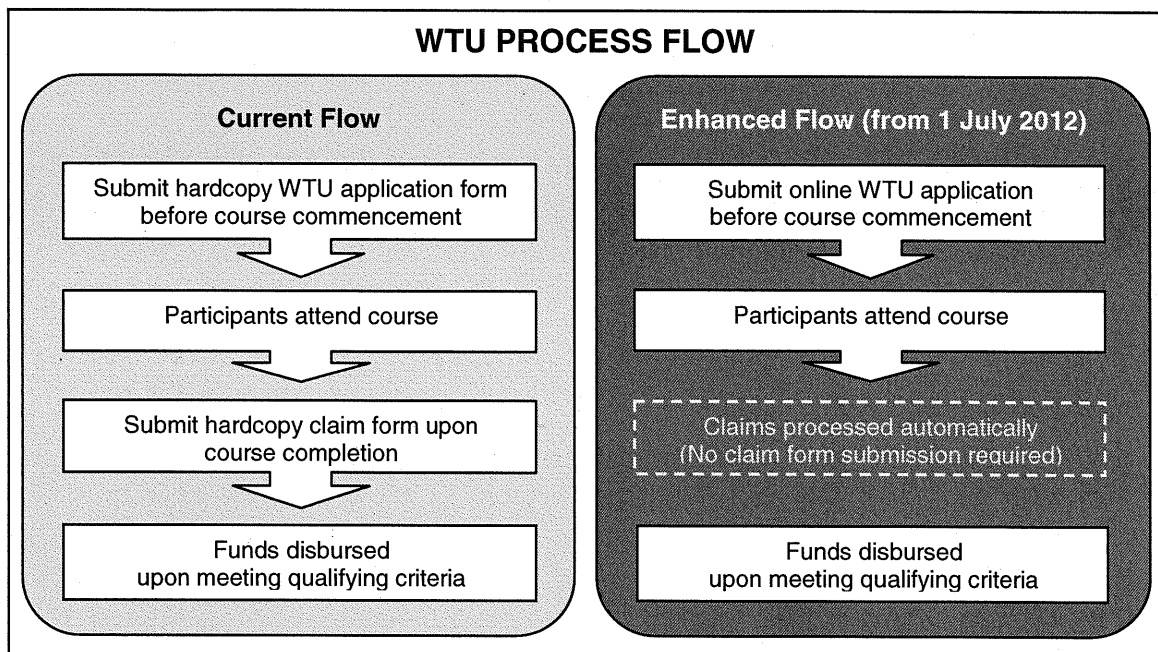
2 With this latest funding enhancement to include multi-skilling, the WTU could assist more companies to defray the cost of training and upgrading of the workforce in wider areas as follow:

	Types of supportable courses	Funding Support
1	[NEW] Training and skills evaluation for the second SEC(K) certification leading to qualification of Multi-Skilling	Up to 80%
2	Familiarisation course and skills assessment for CoreTrade registration	Up to 80%
3	Training and certification in selected higher value-adding qualifications at supervisory level that are approved by BCA.	Up to 80%
4	Selected Professional, Managerial, Executive and Technical personnel (PMET) courses that are directly related to productivity (for locals only).	Up to 50%

3 At the same time, to bring greater convenience to companies who wish to tap on the WTU, BCA will also streamline the WTU application process through introducing the WTU Online System with effect from 1 July 2012. The benefits of the enhanced application process include:

- Paperless WTU application through the WTU Online System;
- The WTU Online System enables the last application data to be auto-populated to further cut down the time needed to fill the applicant's information; and

- One step WTU application in which the claims will be processed automatically at the end of the course for the participants who meet the qualifying criteria without the need for submission of claim forms by companies (See flow chart below).



4 Companies may start registering for the WTU online system account at the website <https://www.bca.gov.sg/wtus/> . You can download a copy of the step-by-step WTU Online System User Guide.

5 We would appreciate it if you could bring to the attention of your members and partners the contents of this circular. If you need any clarification or assistance on the enhanced WTU, please contact Mr Liu Deren (DID: 6325 5094) or Ms Sharon Tan (DID: 6325 2096 or email: [bca\\_wtu@bca.gov.sg](mailto:bca_wtu@bca.gov.sg)).

6 Thank you.

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