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Scoring Clarification

Regents Examination in Physical Setting/Earth Science August 2014

Laboratory Performance Test, Station 3 Only

Some copies of the Rating Guide for the Laboratory Performance Test that schools may have received for the August administration contain a value for the eccentricity of Saturn's orbit (page 8) that is inconsistent with the value provided in the Station 3 diagram. For only those students who were assigned the planet Saturn for their work on this station, allow credit for either 0.054 or 0.056 as their answer to the eccentricity of the planet's orbit (page 4 of the Answer Booklet).

Please photocopy this notice and give a copy of it to each teacher scoring the Laboratory Performance Test of the Regents Examination in Physical Setting/Earth Science.

Thank you for your hard work on behalf of the students in New York State.