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## Matt Shenko

## Greetings,

I'd like to please be considered for the Network Engineer III position with VVL. With years of multifaceted network engineering, design, and troubleshooting experience behind me, I believe I would be a great fit for the position. In addition, I have both constructed a working Cisco CUCM with connected IP phones in my home lab as well as studied Cisco Collaboration theory.

I'm currently contracted with ECCO Select as a USDA network transition tech. This is a communications-forward troubleshooting and testing position where I assist in transitioning remote USDA sites off of legacy T1s and commercial satellite connections to the USDA's own MPLS network. Clear, concise communication, patience, and teamwork are key in making this work day after day.

Most of my networking experience, however, comes from working with the US Navy (NAVSEA) as an IT Specialist - Network Engineer. I was initially hired on to this position as a contractor, but after a couple of years I was offered a government position on the team. While here, I performed just about every aspect of networking. From IP scoping, to network security, to SDWAN, to identity management, to layer 1 nuts-and-bolts, I received an in-depth, on-the-job education while I was there.

When I started with the Navy as a contractor back in 2019, I had no formal, hands-on experience -- only a desire to learn, apply my studies, and excel. Over four years and one pandemic later, I had spearheaded multiple pilot projects, enterprise-wide hardware/IOS upgrades, and got hired onto the government side. Given the opportunity, I would love to bring this same grit to VVL.

If you're looking for someone with the drive, skills, and growth mindset to get things done while learning on the go, please give me a call. I'm available for an interview anytime during the week, and would love to talk more about this role and how I can help advance VVL's mission.

Very Best, Matt Shenko