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•)) When did you become interested in wireless?

Back in the late 90's when I performed my first 802.11b proof of concept experiment using the line of sight antennas with antennas one mile apart. I thought it was the coolest technology ever.

•)) How long have you been involved in the CWNP certification process?

I achieved my initial CWNP certificates; CWNA and CWSP back in 2004. Since then, I delved deep into the technology from the analysis perspective until I picked up again with the certifications in 2014.

•)) List of certifications currently held?

I currently hold the certificates of CWNE and Brocade Certified Network Professional.

•)) What motivated you to become certified?

Certifications are encouraged and respected in the networking industry. It only seemed natural to work towards a certification in an area that I feel passionate about.

•)) What parts of becoming certified do you feel are most important?

Each phase of the CWNE certifications has given me a better understanding of security, analysis, design and troubleshooting of wireless networks and has directly improved my expertise in my job. The CWDP in particular has helped me in my current role to design better and reliable wireless networks for high-density environments. I feel blessed and honored to be part of a group of people that are recognized as global leaders in their field. I look forward to continuing my learning as the technology continues to evolve.

What was the hardest part of this process and how did you overcome it?

The hardest part of the journey was finding the time from my busy schedule to study. However, I had more than 15 years of industry experience, so the journey was not a struggle. I carved out three hours each day in order to read and research the wireless concepts to fill in the gaps of my knowledge.

How has this journey impacted your life?

I have already benefited enormously by applying industry tips and hints outlined in the CWDP study guide while designing the high-density wireless networks. After achieving this elite certificate, I am more confident in my tasks of planning and designing the wireless networks.

Who would you suggest the CWNE program to?

I would suggest this to anyone who has a passion for the wireless networking.

BIO

Steven started his career 20 years ago as a LAN Engineer for Den Danske Bank in Copenhagen, Denmark. He used to work on network, desktop and server technical support for almost three years. From 2000 to 2007, he sailed through by holding positions of Network Product Support Engineer & Wireless Support Engineer for Intel Corporation around the world. Mr. Evans received an award for a WiMax showcase for Intel Sweden in 2005.

After that he was offered the position of Escalation Manager for Vocera Communications in San Jose, California. His major roles were to manage Vocera's wireless network as well manage wireless support escalations.

Steven currently works as a Sr. Wireless Design Engineer at Intuit and he is responsible for installing and supporting Intuit's high-density company events. He holds a Master's degree in Information Technology from American InterContinental University and the Brocade Certified Network Professional certification. Additionally, Mr. Evans has obtained the highest level wireless certification making him CWNE #177.