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To Susie Brennan, Portfolio Manager Portfolio Management and Development, **City & Guilds** Building 500, Abbey Park, Stareton, Warwickshire. CV8 2LY

Dear Suzie

Industry support for Arboricultural qualifications

As the Trade Organisation for the Arboriculture industry we feel that the following qualifications meet the industry needs and would give a learner the relevant skills to gain employment. The qualifications develop and confirm specialist knowledge and skills which are relevant to the industry. They are suitable for a young person between the ages of 16-19 studying full-time and upon completion, will give the young person an advantage when applying for a job, apprenticeship or progressing into Higher Education.

We, the Arboricultural Association, support the inclusion of:

- Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Forestry and Arboriculture (QCF) 500/8724/1
- Level 3 90-Credit Diploma in Forestry and Arboriculture (QCF) 600/5946/1
- Level 3 Diploma in Forestry and Arboriculture (QCF) 500/8564/5
- Level 3 Extended Diploma in Forestry and Arboriculture (QCF) 500/8720/4

for the DfE 2016 performance tables in the Technical Level category.

We confirm that we consent to our company name (and logo) being made publicly available on the DfE and City & Guilds websites in relation to this letter of support.

Yours sincerely

Simon Richmond, Senior Technical Officer



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