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To whom it may concern,

Qualifications in Construction

South and City College Birmingham is a vocational college which offers students part time, full time and Apprenticeship courses from level 1 to higher education in a range of subjects. We provide courses and training to around 12,000 students and have ten campuses and centres across Birmingham. We are committed to ensuring students have the relevant skills, qualifications and experience required for their future, whether that is to seek employment or continue their education at college or university. We have exceptional facilities which we continue to invest in, including a purpose built construction centre, which is one of the largest in the UK.

The college is actively involved in the community, with local businesses and has excellent links with industry; this not only allows us to provide excellent opportunities for our students to gain work experience placements, Apprenticeships and job opportunities but for the college to help employers ensure they have skilled workforce needed for the future. As a leading provider of skills and training for the Construction Sector, we can confirm that we use the following qualifications provide opportunities for learners to the gain skills and knowledge required to progress into further learning in Construction trades. They also provide entry into work for some of our learners.

Plastering Qualifications

HM Government estimates there are as many as 150,000 plasterers in the UK. Due to the intermittent nature of work in construction, this workforce needs constant supply of new skills. To enable this, we fully support the following qualifications being included for funding:

- 6007937X Level 1 Diploma in Plastering (6708-13)
- 60080516 Level 2 Diploma in Plastering (6708-23)
- 60092336 Level 2 Extended Diploma in Plastering (6708-50)
- 60110016 Level 3 Diploma in Plastering (6708-33)

These qualifications provide the skills and knowledge to gain an understanding of the Construction industry and provide a progression route through learning to become a specialist tradesman working in plastering.

In order to prove competency, learners may also progress on to the following NVQ qualifications:

- 60078613 Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Construction) – Solid – Basic
- 60078613 Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Construction) – Solid – Full
- 60078613 Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Construction) – Fibrous – Basic
- 60078613 Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Construction) – Fibrous – Full
- 60111732 Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Construction) - Solid
- 60111732 Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Construction) - Fibrous

Many learners also progress to higher level qualifications in site supervision and management, and a significant number also found the small and micro businesses that dominate employment in the construction industry.

We can confirm that we consent to our company name and logo being made publicly available on City & Guilds website.

Yours sincerely,



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