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Dear Andrew

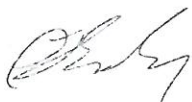
The Welding Institute is the engineering institution for the welding, materials joining and materials integrity professions. The Welding Institute is part of TWI Ltd, one of the one of the world's foremost independent research and technology organisations. Through its corporate and non-corporate membership, TWI has an extensive stakeholder network that informs and oversees our education, training, professional development and competence assurance activities.

I have reviewed the City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Engineering (600/0882/9), specifically the pathways for Welding (2850-30), Fabrication (2850-31) and Welding & Fabrication (2850-32) and consider them to be suitable in purpose, size and recognition for a young person between the ages of 16-19 studying full time or working towards an Advanced Apprenticeship in Engineering. My assessment is based on a detailed understanding of the required learning outcomes for the International Institute of Welding diplomas, which are acknowledged as satisfying the requirements for welding technical knowledge specified in relevant international standards.

The Welding Institute supports the inclusion of this Level 3 Diploma in the Department for Education's (DfE) 2016 Performance Tables in the Technical Level category. I confirm that The Welding Institute is committed to working with City & Guilds to further develop this qualification to achieve increased harmonisation with IIW diploma learning outcomes and UK-SPEC competence requirements to increase its industry relevance and value in the professional development of Engineering Technicians

I consent to The Welding Institute name and logo being made publicly available on the DfE and City & Guilds websites to illustrate its support for this Level 3 Diploma.

Yours sincerely



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