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Dear Susie

City & Guilds Level 3 Advanced Technical Extended Diploma in Agriculture (Arable) (1080)

British Growers Association is an umbrella group comprising a range of 20 grower led organisations operating in the UK field scale vegetable industry and fresh produce sector. The membership includes Crop Associations, Producer Organisations and marketing groups.

British Growers Association aims to raise the profile of the field scale vegetable and fresh produce sector by encouraging a greater understanding of the industry and its importance to the UK economy. The industry is a major employer, an important source of investment and an integral part of the UK food supply chain.

The British Growers Association feels that this qualification is suitable for a young person between the ages of 16-19 studying full time. It contains a wide of units that would equip a young person with the skills and knowledge that could enable them to progress into work, and could be an advantage for them when applying for a job.

The skills and knowledge within the qualification that would be beneficial include:

- Safe working in Agriculture
- Work experience
- Safe operation of machinery and tractor driving skills
- Agricultural crop production
- Soil and plant science
- Maintenance skills e.g. boundaries
- Business skills
- Forage crop production
- Root crop production
- Field vegetable production
- Mechanised agricultural crop handling and storage
- Workshop practices
- Pollution and waste control
- Agricultural spreaders and sprayers
- ATVs and fork-lifts

A young person completing this qualification could apply for a job in roles such as:

- Agricultural Technician
- Contractor (arable)
- Assistant head tractor driver
- Fixed plant manager
- Sprayer operator

The BGA confirms that we consent to this letter being available on the City & Guilds website.

Yours sincerely,



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