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Dear Mr Jackson

We wish to provide our support as an employer within the game management industry. The Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust (GWCT) is a leading UK charity conducting conservation science to enhance the British Countryside for public benefit. For over 80 years we have been researching and developing game and wildlife management techniques. We use our research to provide training and advice on how best to improve the biodiversity of the countryside.

We support the City & Guilds Level 2 Technical Certificate in Land & Wildlife, which includes a game pathway. We believe it is suitable for someone aged 16 years or over and would be viewed by employers as providing a good foundation for someone progressing into the land and wildlife management sector.

The skills and knowledge in the qualification include:

- Health and safety and safe working practices
- Working in the land and wildlife industry
- Assist with pest and predator control
- Assist with the maintenance of game and deer populations
- Game and deer species in the UK
- Assist with shooting activities
- Work experience (150 hours)

We believe that these would give a young person an advantage when seeking employment for a job as a:

- trainee deer manager
- trainee underkeeper
- trainee game farm worker
- assistant maintenance operative.

In addition, to those skills and knowledge specifically associated with the Game industry, the qualification would also be suitable for someone to progress to further learning and training, or to an apprenticeship.

We confirm that we consent to our company name (and logo) being made publicly available on the
City & Guilds website.
Yours sincerely,

Jennie Stafford Farmland Biodiversity Advisor, Northern England