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 Dear Susie

During a recent site meeting with Martin Lennon he suggested that I produce this letter to show our support for the new Level 3 Advanced Technical Extended Diploma in Forestry & Arboriculture (Forestry) (1080).

We understand this qualification covers a wide range of basic skills and knowledge that could be required for the posts listed below. This would reflect a starting point from which we would then develop the individuals during their employment with us.

The main skills that we currently look for in a young person or an individual looking to join our business which are included in this qualification are:

- Using and maintaining chainsaws
- Felling and cross-cutting small trees
- Emergency tree work operations
- Working with due regard to health and safety, risk assessments
- Safe use of machinery
- Tree planning, protection and aftercare
- Tree health and signs of ill health

Cornthwaite Tree Care currently employ 18 people as direct staff and 17 people as sub-contractors. We complete Arboricultural and forestry activities on a national basis. Our main base is in Lancashire.

As an employer we might look to take on a young person holding this qualification in a post such as:

- Arboricultural crafts person.
- Forest and Arboricultural contractor / operator.
- Arboricultural Supervisor.

I am happy for you to utilise this letter as required.

Yours sincerely

*Toby Cornthwaite*

Toby Cornthwaite  
 Managing Director

