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Dear Susie

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

British Growers Association is an umbrella group comprising a range of organisations operating in the UK Horticulture industry and fresh produce sector. The membership includes crop associations, producer organisations and marketing groups. British Growers also offers a focal point for UK Horticulture.

We feel that the above qualification is suitable for young people between the ages of 16-19 studying in full time education and will be an advantage for them when looking for a job in the horticultural industry such as a:

- Production manager
- Commercial manager

The qualification includes the following skills and knowledge which we believe are important for someone applying for jobs, such as the roles above, in the industry:

- Health and safety
- Plant identification
- Machinery operation (tractor driving)
- Pests and diseases
- Plant and soil science
- Plant propagation
- Horticultural production in a protected environment
- Outdoor crop production
- Advanced nursery stock production
- Organic production
- Irrigation and drainage systems
- Sustainable development
- Business management skills
- Maintenance work skills e.g. fencing

We welcome the inclusion of work experience.

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

Yours sincerely

Jack Ward Chief Executive