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Dear Matthew,

Re: Support for Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Fashion Design and Production

The Uk Fashion and Textile Association (UKFT) is the voice of the fashion and textile industry, promoting the growth of the sector and bringing together all parts of the industry. Representing over 2,500 companies throughout the UK, UKFT brings together designers, agents, manufacturers and retailers to promote their businesses throughout the UK and internationally.

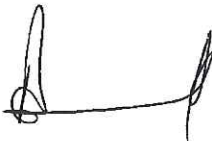
The **BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Fashion Design and Production** will support learners to progress to employment or further studies in a range of technical job roles across the fashion and textiles industry, for example as **Pattern Cutters, Pattern Graders, Lay Planners, Garment Technicians** and **Fashion Design** related roles.

There is a growing skills need emerging from rising demand in the luxury and fast-fashion sectors and ensuring that new entrants to the industry have the appropriate level of skills will be key in driving productivity in this vital sector of the UK economy

The BTEC Level 3 National Diploma qualification is fit for purpose. We believe that this qualification provides an appropriate level of knowledge and skills that meet the needs of both employers and the individual, ensuring future employees are appropriately skilled to enter the sector.

I am happy for Pearson to use this letter in support of its work with government and its agencies, to ensure that this qualification can continue to be recognised for college performance tables and 19+ funding.

Yours sincerely,



Adam Mansell