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Dear Richard,

Letter of Recognition for Pearson BTEC Higher Nationals in Computing

The Computing Technology Industry Association (CompTIA) is the leading provider of vendor-neutral IT certifications in the world.

With more than 2,000,000 IT certifications issued worldwide, CompTIA is dedicated to helping IT professionals lead the charge in our digitally connected world.

For more than 20 years, CompTIA has developed training and certification exams for systems support, networking, servers, Linux administration, cloud technologies and cybersecurity. Our regular review and updates of exams ensure that CompTIA certifications continue to address the needs of today’s technology challenges.

CompTIA is a non-profit trade association serving as the voice of the information technology industry. Through professional certifications, educational programs, research, networking events, philanthropy and public policy advocacy, CompTIA is dedicated to helping advance the IT industry.

CompTIA recognises the below qualifications as being fit for purpose in preparing Pearson’s international learners to progress onto CompTIA’s vendor neutral IT certifications.

- Pearson BTEC Level 4 Higher National Certificate in Computing (QN: 603/0472/8)
- Pearson BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma in Computing (QN: 603/0471/6)

The qualifications will support learners to progress to employment or within employment in a wide range of job roles across the sector, specifically:

Qualification Name	Job Role(s)
Higher National Certificate in Computing	Service Desk Analyst
	Infrastructure Technician
	Computer Service and Repair Technician
	IT Security/Solutions Technician
	Systems Tester
	Software Development Technician
Higher National Diploma in Computing	Software Developer
	Network/Cloud Engineer
	Systems Architect
	Systems/Network Administrator
	Unified Communications Trouble-shooter
	Cybersecurity Technologist/Analyst

The qualifications do not automatically qualify individuals for CompTIA’s industry certifications, however, they do prepare and contain relevant content for the following certifications:

CompTIA certifications	HN in Computing Units
Server+	Unit 36: Client/Server Computing Systems Unit 48: Systems Integration
Linux+	Unit 36: Client/Server Computing Systems Unit 49: Operating Systems
Network+	Unit 2: Networking Unit 35: Network Management
Security+	Unit 5: Security Unit 17: Network Security Unit 23: Cryptography Unit 24: Forensics
Cloud+	Unit 16: Cloud Computing
A+	Unit 8: Computer Systems Architecture

For such roles, we believe that these qualifications provide an appropriate level of knowledge and skills, meeting the needs of the business and the individual, ensuring employees are appropriately skilled for the job and able to deliver to the standard that the sector expects.

These qualifications will also support the individual, should they choose to progress in to further training.

Yours sincerely



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