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To whom it may concern,

**Pope Plant Limited**

In my capacity of supervising geotechnical engineer I worked with Pope Plant Ltd during an earthworks contract in Kent, which required the excavation, transportation, placement and engineering of c 250,000m<sup>3</sup> of Gault Clay and c 25,000m<sup>3</sup> of overburden to construct restoration slopes and a retaining buttress within a sand quarry.

Throughout the contract Pope Plant worked methodically and diligently to complete the works. Craig Pope had a hands on and logical approach to project management. The attitude and standard of workmanship enabled the amount of CQA supervision to be kept to a minimum which aided in keeping costs under control for our Client. Through good site management Pope Plant lost minimal time due to bad weather and their initial estimation of the contract duration proved to be very accurate.

Throughout the contract the whole team from Pope Plant maintained a high standard of Health and Safety in all aspects of their work. Craig Pope thought ahead and many obstacles were overcome without incident due to his forethought and planning.

For earthworks of a similar nature I would commend Pope Plant to any prospective Client.

Yours sincerely

Jeremy Baldock  
Geotechnical Engineer/Associate Partner