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Dear Ms. Cindy Anne Cassidy,

We are pleased to inform you that the sixteenth session of the Conference of Parties (COP16) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) decided to grant observer status to your organization **SNSW Drought Resilience**, **Adoption and Innovation Hub**, following the recommendation made by the UNCCD secretariat. This accreditation is valid for all sessions of the COP and its Subsidiary Bodies. On behalf of all staff of the UNCCD, please accept our heartfelt congratulations.

As an accredited observer, your organization will automatically receive an official invitation to attend the sessions of the COP and its Subsidiary Bodies. The official document $\underline{ICCD/COP(16)/14}$ contains a listing of the civil society organizations (CSO) that were accredited, including yours.

You are kindly requested to keep the UNCCD secretariat informed of any changes affecting your organization and/or any activities of relevance undertaken as part of the Convention process. Ongoing and updated information on the Convention process can be found on the UNCCD's website

Should you wish to indicate your status with the UNCCD on your letterhead, please use the following wording: "CSO accredited to the Conference of the Parties to the UNCCD". The UNCCD logo may not be used for stationery use, or for any printed materials describing your organization. If you would like to use the UNCCD logo for any specific event or activity, you are kindly advised to send a request to cso@unccd.int describing the purpose of the same.

I would highly recommend that you visit the section of $\underline{\text{the UNCCD website devoted to the civil society}}$ organizations where you can find updated information relevant to the CSOs working in the implementation of the UNCCD.

We look forward to a productive and rewarding collaboration with your organization and its representatives.

Yours sincerely,

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