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To whom it may concern:

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The 2016 GRC on Salt and Water Stress in Plants is the 7th conference to be held in this area, the first being in 2004, involving world experts and leaders in this field from academics, industry and government. The speakers will come from 17 countries! Meeting program can be found at www.grc.org/programs.aspx?id=12419.

Professor Ali Abdullah Alderfasi Alzahrani, from College of Food and Agricultural Sciences at King Saud University, has been selected to participate in this highly prestigious conference, which will be held at the Eurotel GRC conference center in Les Diablerets, Switzerland (lesdiablerets@eurotel-victoria.ch; Tel +41 24 492 37 21; Fax +41 24 492 23 71), from May 29 until June 3, 2016.

Professor Ali Abdullah Alderfasi Alzahrani has agreed to participate in this Conference as a poster presenter. As Chair of this Gordon Conference, I am enthusiastic about his participation at the meeting, which is highly anticipated by the entire conference community. Professor Ali Abdullah Alderfasi Alzahrani has registered for the meeting with a full payment of conference fee, which will cover meal and accommodation costs for the period of the conference. It is my understanding that Professor Ali Abdullah Alderfasi Alzahrani will need a Visa to enable him to enter Switzerland for this purpose; any assistance you can provide to facilitate this process will be greatly appreciated. If I can be of any further help please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

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