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**Dear Prof. Six,**

We are grateful for your decision to accept our manuscript (No.: soil-2020-18) titled ‘Nitrogen availability determines the long-term impact of land-use change on soil carbon stocks in grasslands of southern Ghana’.

Based on your concern regarding spelling and grammar mistakes in our manuscript, we engaged the services of an English Language consultant, and he has duly checked the manuscript for errors (certificate attached). We believe the manuscript is now free of spelling and grammar mistakes and, therefore fit for publication.

I hereby submit the final version of the manuscript for your attention.

Yours truly,

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**Original paper:**

**Nitrogen availability determines the long-term impact of land-use change on soil carbon stocks in grasslands of southern Ghana**

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I hereby confirm that I have completed proof reading and final-stage English language checking and have made required linguistic revisions to the above-mentioned manuscript.

Alan Hopkins: 30 September 2020

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