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PART 1:

Journal Name:	Biotechnology Journal International
Manuscript Number:	Ms_BJI_35030
Title of the Manuscript:	Production of raw starch degrading amylase by Bacillus subtilis TLO3 and its application in bioethanol production using starch-rich flours
New Title of the Manuscript:	Effect of Bacillus subtilis TLO3 amylase pre-treatment on ethanol production from raw starches
Type of Article:	Original Research Article

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
<p>1. The sentence "At present, bioethanol is produced exclusively via 1st generation technologies, utilizing sugar and starch-rich feedstocks, as no commercial size 2nd generation cellulosic ethanol facilities are presently in operation" did not express the authors' intended meaning. It is very difficult to understand why authors mentioned generations of these technologies in here, and further more, the whole sentence is difficult to understand to an extent. It is suggested to rewrite it according to the context.</p> <p>2. The other revised parts were done properly.</p> <p>3. Some of the minor errors were corrected in the word file.</p>	<p>1. This sentence shows that cellulosic biomass is not yet used for ethanol production despite its availability, because this technology is not well mastered. The sentence "Bioethanol can be produced using different biomass" was added in the start of the paragraph to make the meaning clearer.</p> <p>2 and 3: Thank you for spending your time to review these corrections.</p>