

### **Editor's Comment:**

**Decision for manuscript number Ms IJPSS 29016** entitled 'Effect of Urine Sources on Some Soil Health indicators, Maize yield and Its Heavy Metals Uptake in Abakaliki, Southeastern Nigeria' written by Nwite JN

Following evaluation of all documents related to the manuscript I agree with the majority of Reviewers, that the text is acceptable for publication in the International Journal of Plant and Soil Science. The manuscript was improved in accordance with reviewers' suggestions. However, additional correction is still needed.

1. The manuscript must be prepared according to the Journal requirements. The Author's Instruction and the MS word SDI paper template is available at <http://www.sciencedomain.org/page.php?id=general-guideline-for-authors>. Corrections which must be introduced are, for example:
  - Sections and subsections must be numbered
  - References must be numbered in the text ([1], [2-5] etc.) and listed at the end of the manuscript in order they appear in the text
  - Paragraph COMPETING INTERESTS must be added
  - List of references must be prepared according to requirements of the Journal
2. Keywords must be changed because keywords should not be the same as words used in a title. Now almost all keywords are the same as words in the title. Moreover, keywords such 'effect' or 'indicators' are not appropriate and they should also be changed.
3. Statistical analysis must be improved.
  - Table 3. P content must be analyzed
  - Table 4. All results must be analyzed
  - Table 5. Pb content must be analyzed
4. One question arises comparing grain yield presented in Table 4 of the manuscript with the grain yield published in Nwite (2015) (Table 4). Why so huge differences in grain yield occurred? The differences between 2013 and 2014 is over 10-fold. For example, in control was 20.0 (Nwite 2015) and 2.0 g/pot (the manuscript), for human urine yield was 60.2 and 4,2, respectively. Such huge differences are not understandable and it should be explained.

My decision is: Accept after revision and after rearrangement the text according to the Journal requirements.

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