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Type of the Article	

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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Compulsory REVISION comments		
Minor REVISION comments	Some editorial comments were given in the manuscript. Overall, the research is straight forward, well designed and executed. The manuscript was written well. Two additional suggestions 1) The discussion part is repetitive and long, especially for subtopic yield. Consider revision for that. 2) It is important to make it clearer to readers that NUE was lower for inorganic + organic treatments, just because the total N was much higher for these treatments. Otherwise, it may be interpreted as application of poultry manure reduces NUE.	Comments and suggestions made in the manuscript have been adequately addressed. Regarding the comment: "Combined yield (mean over 2014 and 2015) out of the range of individual years"... . This is expected because the 2014 & 2015 pooled data is the mean of the individual yield data for 2014 and 2015 from the 5 locations.
Optional/General comments		