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Sent: Mon, Aug 26, 2013 at 6:37 PM

To: Managing Editor

Subject: Re: Request for final evaluation of revised manuscript (version 2) number: 2013_BJAST_5079

Pls find attached my final review comments on the manuscript.

Secondly, kindly emphasize to the authors that they need to address these comments with the level of seriousness that they deserve.

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Attached Part:

FINAL REVIEW COMMENTS

Journal Name:	British Journal of Applied Science & Technology
Manuscript Number:	2013_BJAST_5079
Title of the Manuscript:	The impact of pit latrines on groundwater quality in Foko-slum, Ibadan, Southwestern Nigeria

Issue	New Reviewer Comment	Authors' feedback
Before fixing the regression equation, the authors should have demonstrated that relationship(s) exist between e-coli counts and distances. Scatter diagram, correlation coefficient, chi square by trend could be employed.	1) Not addressed as earlier advised in an earlier comment (CM19). Why?	
Under 'Materials and	2) In the earlier feedback to	

Methods', it is reported as follows: Pre-sampling activities include pumping stagnant water out with a centrifugal pump for 90 seconds and the well allowed to recharge for about 15 minutes	the authors, they were requested to provide published evidence on this unconventional method. This has not been provided. Secondly, why is the stagnant water being pumped out? It doesn't in any way disinfect the well if this is the intention.	
Table 1 has been removed from the original article.	3) Why has the table been removed? The earlier comment (CM16) was: Remove A2 and E1 from the table and subsequent analysis.	
Wells A2 and E1	4) Have this been removed from the analysis of the data? 5) If yes, why has the minimum distance remained at 20m?	

DECISION

New reviewer comments 1-5 need to be addressed by the authors, before final evaluation and possible approval or disapproval for journal publication.