



## SDI FINAL EVALUATION FORM 1.1

### PART 1:

Journal Name:	<a href="#">International Journal of Plant &amp; Soil Science</a>
Manuscript Number:	2013_IJPSS_5742
Title of the Manuscript:	EFFECTS OF LEAD (HEAVY METAL) POLLUTANT ON SOIL FERTILITY CHARACTERISTICS OF INLAND VALLEYS OF ISHIAGU, SOUTHEASTERN NIGERIA

### PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
<p>It is noted that the authors improved the manuscript. However, there are still minor issues to be addressed as noted with track changes in the manuscript.</p> <p>I think the paper can be considered for publication after addressing the issues noted with the track changes</p>	<p>The minor issues have been addressed according to the final evaluator's comments.</p> <p>Page 1 line 1 – 3. We have adopted the title “PHYSIOCHEMICAL CHARACTERITIC AND LEAD CONCENTRATIONS IN THE INLAND VALLEYS OF ISHIAGU, SOUTHEASTERN NIGERIA” as suggested by the final evaluator</p> <p>Page 1 line 33 – 34. The landscape position and inland valleys have been added to the key words</p> <p>Page 1 line 40; Page 1 line 42 – 43.</p> <p>Page 2 line 68</p> <p>Page 3 line 130; line 142 &amp; line 155</p> <p>We could not lay hand on the map of the study area</p> <p>Page 4 line 166</p> <p>Page 4 line 174 The abbreviations in the tables and figures were earlier defined.</p> <p>Page 4 line 191</p> <p>Page 5 line 202 &amp; line 245</p> <p>Page 6 line 246. The issue of assigning letters to different means when LSD is used. Use of letters is basically for DUNCAN's New Multiple Range Test (DNMRT) method, but we used Fisher's Least Significant Difference (F-LSD).</p> <p>Page 6 line 251</p> <p>Page 6 line 259. The <math>\mu\text{gg}^{-1}</math> commented in the text means microgram per gram in metric system.</p> <p>Page 7 line 271; line 280 – 281; line 285</p> <p>Page 8 line 288 &amp; line 292</p> <p>Page 9 line 296; line 301; line 308 – 309 &amp; line 313</p> <p>Page 10 line 317 – 319.</p>