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To: Managing Editor

Subject: RE: Request for final decision for manuscript number 2013\_IJPSS\_8023

I have gone through the materials related to the peer review of **2013/IJPSS/8023**. My decision is 'Accept' but I would want the authors to address the following issues to be communicated to them in the final decision letter or to be presented to them in form of query during the typesetting stage:

1. It would be better to replace 'Pb<sup>2+</sup> and Cd<sup>2+</sup>' in the title with 'lead and cadmium ions'.
2. The authors should consistently use 'contaminated' or 'polluted' in describing the condition of the water containing lead and cadmium. These two terms are scientifically not synonymous. 'Contaminated' denotes concentration of the undesirable materials at safe levels while 'polluted' denotes concentration beyond safe levels. The authors should therefore choose either of the terms and use same consistently depending on the concentrations of lead and cadmium in the water before removal.

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