

**Dear editors,**

Thank you very much for considering publishing our manuscript entitled **“Effects of mild alternate wetting and drying irrigation and rice straw application on N<sub>2</sub>O emissions in rice cultivation”** (*egusphere-2022-429*). We appreciate the efforts of the editors in the revision process of our manuscript and wish the journal "SOIL" the best of the best.

The color scheme used in the maps and charts of our manuscript references the published manuscripts in "SOIL". To facilitate readers with colour vision deficiencies to correctly interpret our findings, we have used different data marker graphics (squares, triangles, diamonds, etc.) in addition to colour. On April 22, 2022, editor Daria Karpachova reviewed and approved the color scheme used in our maps and charts.

We uploaded a total of five files, namely *Manuscript*, *Supplement*, *Author's Response*, *Text* and *Figures*.

If you still have questions about the manuscript, please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Best regards,**

**Lili Zhang**