

Interactive comment on "Soil Denitrifier Community Size Changes with Land Use Change to Perennial Bioenergy Cropping Systems" by K. A. Thompson et al.

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Thank you for your assessment of our study. We assessed biomass residue return on the potential activity (mRNA transcripts) of denitrifiers over the short-term in a sub-plot RCBD study established within this experimental site, which is currently under review in another peer-reviewed journal; as such we did not include biomass/residue return measures within this paper. Thank you for your comments regarding our experimental design and data acquisition.

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