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Dear Editor,

We are responding to reviewer comments for PONE-D-15-41521.

Thank you for your consideration of our manuscript.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Christopher Paciorek". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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