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Dear Ms. Abigail Quiniquini,

As requested, I have made the following changes in the manuscript:

1. I have included a ‘Competing interests’ section;
2. I have reported in the methods section that in the collective labour agreement of the workers is recorded that research is performed under the authority of Arbouw. The workers are reminded in writing of this agreement and informed about the aims of the present research. The workers are aware of the fact that by filling in and returning the questionnaire, they give the researchers written consent to use their information anonymously for research purpose;
3. I have added the relevant portion of the questionnaires as an additional file.

Sincerely yours,

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