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Dear Edward Spofford,

Enclosed you will find the revised manuscript entitled “High prevalence of diarrheagenic Escherichia coli carrying toxin-encoding genes isolated from children and adults in southeastern Brazil”.

Editor Comments:

1. Ethics statement was clarified in the revised manuscript (page 4, lines 74-79):”The study was part of a study with the aim of identifying risk factors for diarrhea in rural and peri urban areas with poor hygiene and sanitation conditions in southeastern Brazil [4]. The study was approved by the Ethical Committee of Research (reference number 129/06) in the Health Science Center at the Universidade Federal do Espírito Santo, Brazil.

2. The text on lines 50-60 of the Background section has been modified and the text on lines 78-82 of the methods section has been excluded in the revised manuscript.

Thank you very much for your consideration
Sincerely,

Isabel Scaletsky