Interactive comment on “The variation characteristics and possible sources of atmospheric water-soluble ions in Beijing” by P. F. Liu et al.

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Dear Professor Maofa Ge,

Thank you for your positive view of our study. As you’ve said, the pollutant emissions from the agriculture activities and living activities of farmers in the North China Plain (NCP) have been indeed neglected by most previous studies. We have carried out the related field measurements in the rural area of the NCP and the preliminary experimental results could also confirm the conclusions in this paper very well. The further analysis about the comparison between the rural area and the urban region for PM2.5 will be discussed in other papers.

Thank you for your helpful comments.

Sincerely,

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