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Dr. Liu,

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for the research you have done on behalf of growers in the TCAA growing area. Your phosphorous research has been groundbreaking by identifying that though the soil samples show high levels of P in the soil, it is not available to the plant. Because of your persistence, you identified that it was being tied up in the soil by multiple elements present. By conducting research on multiple farms you captured the variability in our soils and showed aluminum was the major issue on my farm but my neighbor in Putnam county has Fe issues affecting availability.

I contend that farmers are the ultimate scientists as we must maintain an open mind to stay in business. Thank you again for your support of our industry!

Danny Johns

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