**Supporting information**:

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| Table S1: Moisture Content | | | |
| Bin | Sample Type | Age of Compost | Moisture content (%) |
| 0 | Untreated | 0 days | 79.1 |
| 1 | Intermediate | 1, 3, 8, 10, 14 days | 70.4 |
| 2 | 2 weeks | 57.1 |
| 3 | 4 weeks | 71.5 |
| 4 | 6 weeks | 72.0 |
| 5 | 8 weeks | 61.9 |
| 6 | 12 weeks | 66.8 |
| 7 | 16 weeks | 71.1 |
| 8 | 20 weeks | 70.3 |
| 9 | 24 weeks | 66.9 |
| 10 | 44 weeks | 66.3 |
| N/A | Final | 48 – 96 weeks | 44.7 |