

Dear Prof. Min-Hui Lo,

Please find enclosed the revised version of the manuscript gmd-2015-47 by Roberto Suárez Moreno and Belén Rodríguez-Fonseca, as well as, the "tracked-changes" version of the manuscript and the response to each of the referee's comments.

We are very grateful to the reviewers for all their constructive comments and suggestions during the whole submission process, because we think that they have considerably improved the original manuscript. We have taken into account their comments/suggestions as you can see in the attached manuscript and responses. We also would like to thank you for your help during the whole process.

Sincerely,

Roberto Suárez and Belen Rodríguez-Fonseca