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Interactive comment on "Automated tracking of shallow cumulus clouds in large domain, long duration Large Eddy Simulations" by T. Heus and A. Seifert

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We thank the referee for his kind words, and for his suggestions on the paper. The following clarifications have been incorporated in the revised manuscript:

- 1. p 2289: line 14: "due to collisions of otherwise separate objects of clouds" unclear
 - Also based on a suggestion by referee 1, we have revised the entire paragraph and hope that it is more clear now.
- 2. p. 2290: line 7: "a function of the cloud size of the single convective element" C857

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what is the cloud size?

We've modified the first paragraphs of the introduction to give a range of the cloud sizes we are interested in.

- 3. p. 2294: line 20: "active but isolate pulse clouds" define "pulse cloud"?

 This is actually the paragraph where we define the difference between isolated pulse and a multi-pulse system. The sentence is rephrased for clarification.
- 4. p. 2295: line3: "(number) of iterations" Fixed.
- 5. p. 2298: line 6 "and the also" Rephrased.
- 6. p. 2300: line 5: "that never have buoyant core" Clarified.
- 7. p. 2300: line18: "close to LCL" We're not completely sure what was unclear here, but perhaps "only slightly above LCL" clarifies the sentence enought.
- 8. p. 2303, line17: "allows us to more fine grained" Clarified

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