

## ***Interactive comment on “Thetis coastal ocean model: discontinuous Galerkin discretization for the three-dimensional hydrostatic equations” by Tuomas Kärnä et al.***

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Dear Executive Editor,

Thank you for your comment. We recognize that GMD requires both the model name and version number in the manuscript title. We have already included the model name. However, Thetis does not have version numbers as a matter of policy. We rely on continuous release paradigm which implies that the only supported version is the master version available online. For the purpose of scientific reproducibility, we do archive particular versions of the source code, identified by a DOI. (This has been done in the present manuscript as well, see Section 7). Therefore the only "version number" that

we could include in the title is the DOI, which is not a very convenient solution. We, therefore, request that the title could be accepted as it is.

As a precedent, we note that GMD has previously accepted a similar argument for a Firedrake paper: <https://www.geosci-model-dev.net/9/3803/2016/gmd-9-3803-2016-discussion.html>

On behalf of the authors, Tuomas Karna

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