

## ***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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Thank you for the reply. Making the code availability section clearer will be appreciated.

I have considered the issue of the title/version number carefully and discussed it with some colleagues. While I consider that putting the DOI in the title would be the best way to fulfil the spirit of the GMD guidelines in this case (I find the argument that this is inconvenient to be unconvincing), I have also always been sympathetic to the view that “rules are for the obedience of fools, and the guidance of wise men”. In this case, with no specific code release, the only purpose of the DOI or other code identifier would be for the replication of this paper’s results and there is essentially zero chance that

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anyone else would want to use the exact same code for different purposes. No-one else is likely to recognise, or search for, the DOI, in the way that they might in the case of a released "Model x.y". Thus, I agree with the authors that the requirement can be waived in this case. I would like to point out that this decision is entirely my own and other editors may think differently in similar circumstances in the future.

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